



Get Going

A. Let us find the answers from the story.

1. Fill in the blanks with words from the story.

- (a) Jim came out skipping with a tin pail in his hands.
- (b) Tom lured Jim by offering him his white alley and offering to show him some ice.
- (c) Ben Rogers was impersonating steamboat.
- (d) If Tom had not run out of whitewash he would have bankrupted every boy in the village.
- (e) Work consists of whatever the body is obliged to do and play consists of whatever the body is not obliged to do.

2. What task had Tom been given on Saturday morning?

3. How did Aunt Polly react when she saw Jim with Tom?

4. Describe Tom's state of mind before he had the 'inspiration'.

5. Why was Tom dreading that his friends would see him whitewash?

6. How did Tom convince Ben that whitewashing was an important and interesting work?

B. Let us read between the lines.

1. "...they came to jeer, but remained to whitewash." Explain the context of this sentence in your own words.

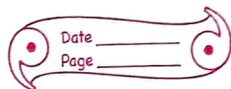
2. Write a brief description of Tom's character.

C. Let us go beyond the story.

1. Tom got his friends to whitewash for him. Do you think what he did was justified? Would you have fallen for his trick? Why?
2. Imagine you are Ben Rogers. You realise later that Tom made a fool out of you. What would you do? What would you say to Tom?



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2) What task had Tom been given on Saturday morning?

Ans) Tom had been asked to whitewash 30 yards of board fence on Saturday morning

with Tom?

3) How did Aunt Polly react when she saw Tom?

Ans) Aunt Polly was very angry and charged towards Tom and Tom with a slipper in her hand.

4) Describe Tom's state of mind before he had the ^{inspiration}

Ans) Tom almost lost hope and gave up the idea of buying the boys before he had the inspiration.

5) Why was Tom dreading that his friends would see him whitewash?

Ans) Tom was dreading being seen whitewashing by his friends as they would jeer at him for being stuck with such a boring task while they were roaming freely.

6) How did Tom convince Ben that whitewashing was an important and interesting work?

Ans) Tom made it a point to go about whitewashing the fence with a lot of enthusiasm and joy. The Ben became interested in it. He further repeated the Aunt Polly had trusted him with the job as it was an important task. This was how Tom convinced Ben that whitewashing was important and interesting work.

Q1) ".....They came to jest, but remained the whitewash!" Explain the context of this sentence in your own words.

Ans) This means that Tom's friend came to make fun of him ~~busy~~ seeing him busy whitewashing but they themselves ~~whitewashed~~ whitewashed the fence.

Q2) Write a brief description of Tom's character.

Ans) Tom is naughty, but witty boy. He lives with his aunt Polly. He loves to play and have fun. In the story Tom manages to lure his friends into doing the work that was assigned to him. This proves that he is also extremely shrewd. Not only does he convince them that whitewashing the fence is a

pleasurable task but also collects many small rewards in exchange for letting them do the task.

Q3) Tom got his friends to white wash for him. Do you think what he did was justified?

Would you have fallen for his trick? Why?

Ans) Although Tom tricked his friends into doing chore that was assigned to him, he doesn't use force while doing so. As he doesn't cause any harm to anyone in the process and merely used his intellect to get out of doing the work, what he did can be justified. I too ~~would~~ would have fallen for his trick because Tom is very manipulative and gives reasonable offers.

Q4) If I were Ben Rogers, I would be very angry. I would try to get back at Tom and make a fool out of him in some other way.