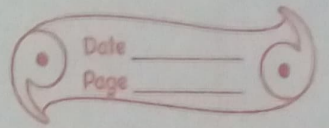


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The Happy Prince

1) ans) He was a prince when he was alive. Being a prince he never knew sorrow and suffering. So, the courtiers called him 'the happy prince' But he was not happy in real sense as his heart could feel the misery of needy people. He saw the miserable conditions of people around him.

2) ans) The streamress was tired due to overwork. She was so poor that she could not buy oranges for her little sick son. Her son was thirsty. The Happy prince saw the poor lady and her son. He felt pity for them, so he sent a ruby ~~to her~~ for her. The swallow came to the poor woman's house and laid the ruby on the table besides her. The bird fanned the boy's forehead with wings and flew back to the happy prince.

3) ans) The playwright was very poor. He was incapable of buying food and firewood. The prince sent his second sapphire to a poor match girl. Her matches had

fallen into the gutter.

(14) ans) The swallow saw all categories of people. He found the rich making merry in their beautiful houses and beggars sitting at the gate. He also saw a group of children who were poverty-stricken.

(15) ans) At first, the swallow was willing to go to Egypt just after discharging his duty properly. But when he saw prince's activities of charity, in this condition, he could not leave the prince helpless. He left the idea of going to Egypt and decided to serve the prince.

(16) ans) The leaden heart of the happy prince and the dead swallow are two precious things mentioned in the story. They are precious as they did wondrous deeds for the welfare of people and sacrificed their lives for the sake of others.