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## Think About It

Q1. What are the two strange things the guru and his disciple find in the Kingdom of Fools?

Ans) The two strange things that the guru and his disciple observed in the Kingdom of Fools are

- Everyone slept during the day time and work during the night time. They had trained the cattle and all the other animals also to do the same as they were afraid of death as punishment by the

King.

- Everything in the Kingdom of Fools, whether it was a measure of rice or a bunch of bananas, it cost the same in the market i.e. one dudlu (one rupee)

Q2. Why does the disciple decided to stay in the Kingdom of Fools? Is it a good idea?

Ans) The disciple was foodaholic or foody by nature. He was very greedy and had a great appetite for delectable food items. He was delighted that everything cost a single dudlu and everything was very cheap. All that he wanted was good and very cheap food. So, he thought of enjoying an easy life by staying in that kingdom.

No, it was not a good idea to stay there for a long time as suggested by Guru because they were all fools and so he felt this situation to be dangerous for them and was not sure about what they would do in the future.

Q3. Name all the people who are tried in the King's court, and give the reasons for their trial.

Ans) Following people were tried in the King's court:

- The merchant whose house was burgled : Because his house's wall was weak and that fell upon the

burglar and killed him.

- The bricklayer who built the wall : Because he built a wall which was weak and which collapsed killing the burglar.
- The dancing girl : Because she distracted the bricklayer with her jingling anklets by walking up and down the road where bricklayer was laying the wall.
- The goldsmith : Because he didn't complete the dancing girl's order on time and so she had to walk up and down to his house a dozen times.
- The merchant whose house was burgled (second time) : Because his father persuaded the goldsmith to finish his orders first thereby delaying the dancing girl's order. (Since the merchant's father died, the merchant had to be executed in his father's place).
- The disciple : Because the merchant was too thin to be executed by the newly made state and a fat man was required to fit the stake. The disciple had fattened himself for months on bananas and rice and wheat and ghee, hence he was caught.