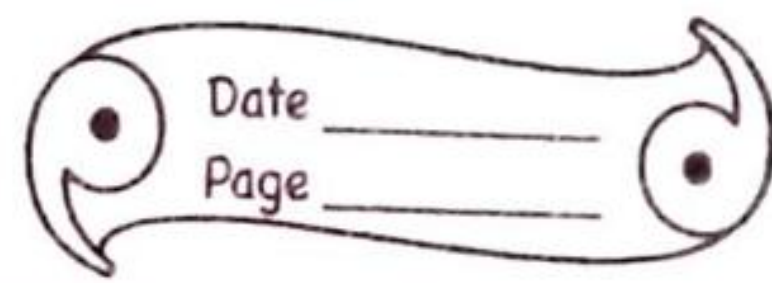


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Happy Prince

Worksheet - 7



Think about it :-

1) Why do the Courtiers call the prince 'The happy prince' if he really happy & what does he see all around him?

Ans) He was a prince when he was alive. Being a Prince he never knew sorrow & 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) Why does the happy prince see a ruby for the beamstress?

Ans) The beamstress was tired due to overwork. She was so poor that she couldn't buy oranges for her little sick son. Her son was thirsty. The happy prince saw the poor lady & her son. He felt pity for them & sent a ruby for her.

The Swallow came to the poor woman's house & laid the ruby on the table beside her.

3) For whom does the prince send the sapphires & why?

Ans) The playwright was very poor. He was incapable of buying food & firewood. The prince sent the sapphires for the playwright so that he could finish a play for the director theatre in time. The princess sent his second sapphire to a poor match girl.

4) What does the Swallow see when it was flying over the city?

Ans) The Swallow saw all categories of people. He found rich making money in their beautiful houses & beggars begging sitting at the gates. He also saw a group of wandering children who were hungry & sick.

5) Why did the Swallow not leave the prince & go to Egypt?

Ans) At first, the Swallow was willing to go to Egypt. But after discharging his duty properly but when he saw prince's activities of charity & kindness he got impressed. On the other hand now the happy prince had become totally blind due to the deeds of charity. In this condition, he could not leave the prince helpless.

6) What are the precious things mentioned in the story? Why are they precious?

Ans) The leaden heart of the happy prince & the dead Swallow are the two precious things mentioned in the story. They are precious as they did various deeds for the welfare of people & sacrificed their lives for the sake of others.