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Chapter Name : The Shepherd's Treasure

Q1 The shepherd hadn't been to school because

(i) he was very poor.

(ii) there were very few schools in those days.

(iii) he wasn't interested in studies.

Choose the right answer.

Answer. The shepherd hadn't been to school because (ii) there were very few schools in those days.

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Q2 Who visited the shepherd one day, and why?

Answer. One day the king of that country visited the shepherd in disguise. He visited the shepherd because he had heard that the shepherd was very wise and understood people's sorrows and troubles, and helped them face their problems with courage and common sense. The shepherd was famous for his wisdom and friendly nature.

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Q3 Why did the other governors grow jealous of the shepherd?

Answer. The people loved and honoured the shepherd for his wisdom, sympathy and goodness. His fame as a fair and wise governor soon spread throughout the country. This was why the other governors grew terribly jealous of him.

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Q4 Why was the new governor called to the palace?

Answer. The other governors grew jealous of the shepherd and began talking to the king against him. They said that he was very dishonest, and kept for himself part of the money that he collected as tax. They added that perhaps the iron chest that he carried

with him contained the treasure he had secretly collected. At first, the king did not pay attention to these reports, but finally, he called the governor to his palace to find if these reports were true.

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Q5 Why was everyone delighted to see the iron chest on the camel's back?

Answer. Everyone was delighted to see the iron chest on the camel's back because they thought it contained the treasure that the shepherd had secretly collected, and finally, the shepherd's dishonesty would be revealed in front of the king.

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Q6 (i) What did the iron chest contain?

(ii) Why did the shepherd always carry it?

(iii) Is it an example of the shepherd's humility or wisdom or both?

Answer. (i) The iron chest contained an old blanket.

(ii) The shepherd said that the old blanket was the only treasure he had. It was his oldest friend. It would still protect him if at any time the king would take away his new cloaks. Therefore, the shepherd always carried it with him.

(iii) It is an example of the shepherd's humility as well as his wisdom. The old blanket always reminded him that he had been a poor shepherd. It also proved that he was wise not to rely on the wealth that the king had given him.

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Q7 How did the king reward the new governor?

Answer. The king was pleased with the shepherd and he made him the governor of a much bigger district that very day.

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