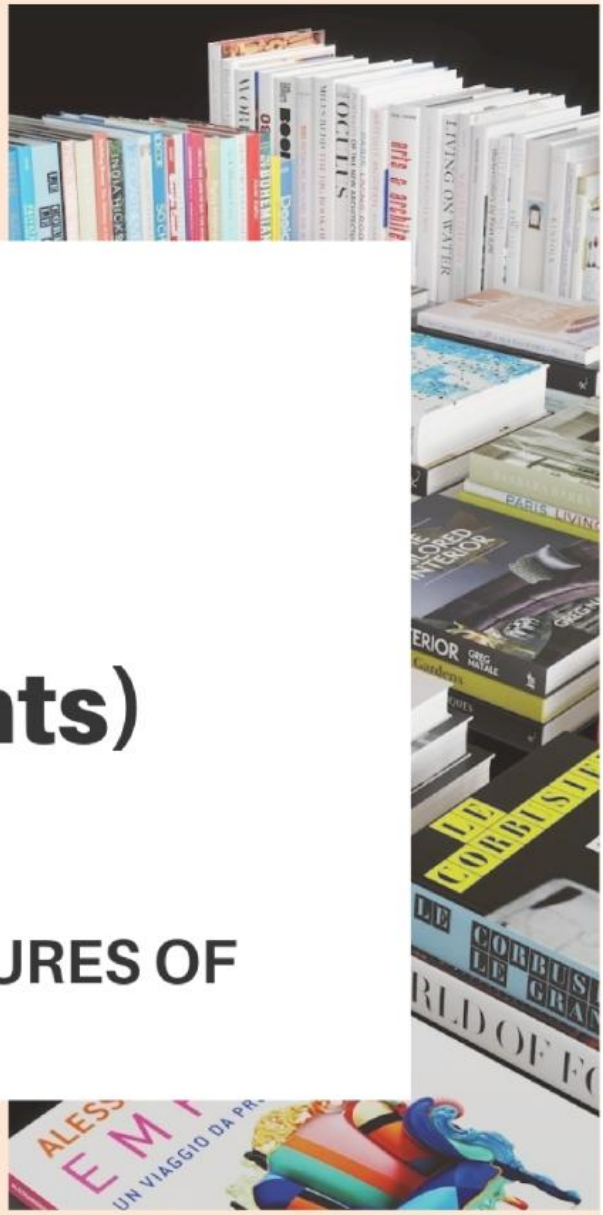
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Class 9 English (Moments) Notes

THE ADVENTURES OF TOTO



Key Notes and Important Questions with Answers

Lesson 2

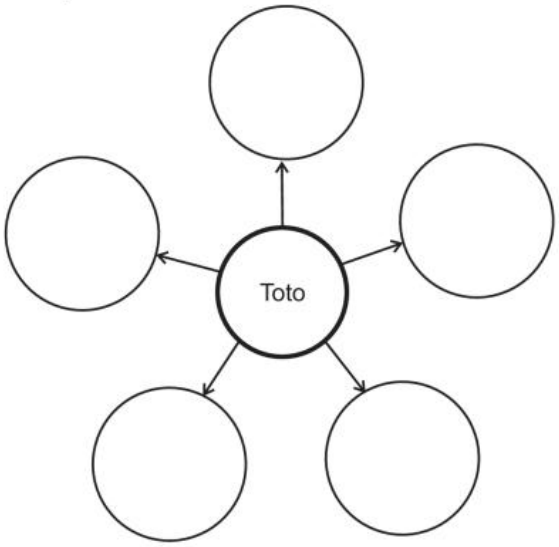
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Value Points

- This story describes how author's grand father was fond of animals.
- Grand father bought Toto a monkey from a tonga driver for five rupees.
- Toto was a pretty monkey.
- Toto's arrival in the house was kept a secret from grand mother.
- Toto was very naughty and disturbing.
- Once he was to accompany grand father to Saharanpur in a canvas kit bag.
- He poked his head out from the bag and came to notice of ticket collector, therefore grand father had to pay three rupees as a fine.
- Toto was finally accepted in the home.
- He was given a comfortable home in the stable.
- He kept troubling Nana, the family donkey in the stable.
- He always enjoyed warm water bath in cold winter evening.
- The family members found it difficult to adjust with him.
- Finally, grand father returned him back to the Tonga driver for three rupees.

ACTIVITY

Q. Write as many activities / incidents you can think about Toto.



COMPREHENSION PASSAGE

1. The poor man was taken aback; but with great presence of mind and much to Grandfather's annoyance, he said, "Sir, you have a dog with you. You'll have to pay for it accordingly."

   Questions :

   a) Who is the poor man referred to here?

   b) Why was he taken aback?

   c) Why is grandfather annoyed?

   d) Find the phrase / words form the above lines that mean the same as 'shocked'.

2. Even grandfather realised that. We were not well-to-do, and could not afford the frequent loss of dishes, clothes, curtains and wallpaper. So Grandfather found the tonga driver and sold Toto back to him – for only three rupees.

   Questions :

   a) What did the Grandfather realise?

   b) Why could they not afford this frequent loss?

   c) How did the grand father dispose off Toto.

   d) Find a word in the passage that means the same as 'rich'.

3. His presence in the house still a secret, Toto was now transferred to a big cage in the servants quarters where a number of Grandfather's pets lived very. Sociably together – a tortoise, a pair of rabbits, a tame squirrel and, for a while, my pet goat.

   Questions :

   a) Why was Toto's presence at the house kept a secret?

   b) Where was Toto transferred?

   c) How can you say that the grandfather was an animal lover?

   d) Find a word in the passage that means the same as 'shifted'.

Short Questions

1. Toto was an attractive moneky. Comment.
2. Why did Grandfather keep Toto as a secret from Grandmother?
3. Give an example to show that Toto was clever.
4. Why was Grandfather impressed with Toto?
5. Why was Toto shifted with Nana?

6. Why did crowd gather at the railway station?
7. Why was the ticket collector annoyed with Grandfather and how did he take revenge?
8. What did Toto do with the dish of pullao?
9. Toto and Nana never became friends. Why?

Long Answer Questions

1. Give examples to show that Toto was a mischievous pet.
2. How was Toto an Expensive deal for grand father?
3. Describe author's grand father in the story.