

**CBSE Class 9 English Language and Literature**  
**Beehive Chapter-1 The Fun They Had**  
**Test Paper-03**

---

**Answer the questions 1 & 2 after reading the passages:**

1. "This is the old kind of school that they had hundreds and hundreds of years ago."
  - a. Who said these words and to whom?
  - b. Why was the school described as 'old kind of school'?
  - c. Why did the speaker say "hundreds and hundreds of years ago."?
  - d. What were they talking about?
2. "Sure they had a teacher, but it wasn't a regular teacher. It was a man." "A man?"
  - a. Who said 'sure they had a teacher'?
  - b. Why did the speaker say 'it wasn't a regular teacher'?
  - c. To whom did the speaker say these words?
  - d. Why has the teacher been described as a man?

**Answer the following questions in about 30 words:**

3. Who were Margie and Tommy?
4. What kind of school did they have?
5. What was the language in which the homework had to be submitted?
6. Where was the homework to be submitted?
7. Where was the classroom?
8. Why did Margie say "I wouldn't want a strange man in my house to teach me"?

**Answer the following questions in about 100 words:**

9. What kind of a school did Margie have? Who was the teacher who taught her?
10. Why was Margie disappointed?

**CBSE Class 9 English Language and Literature**  
**Beehive Chapter-1 The Fun They Had**  
**Test Paper-03**

---

**Answer**

1.
  - a. Tommy said these words. He said these words to Margie.
  - b. The school was described as 'old kind of school' because it was an assembly of many students in a defined building away from home and under the guidance of man teacher.
  - c. The speaker said "hundreds and hundreds of years ago." because his grandfather had told him that he had learnt about such schools from his grandfather in his childhood.
  - d. They talking about the schools that existed centuries and centuries ago and had printed books where the words did not move.
2.
  - a. Tommy said 'sure they had a teacher'?
  - b. Tommy said 'it wasn't a regular teacher' because the teacher was not mechanical as in his school but it was a man.
  - c. The speaker said these words to Margie.
  - d. The teacher been described as a man because when the books were printed and students assembled in a particular building to study together from a human being instead of a mechanical teacher.
3. Margie and Tommy were children aged 11 and 13 in the year 2157.
4. They had a mechanical teacher who taught them subjects that were loaded in it.
5. Homework had to be submitted in punched codes.
6. The homework was to be submitted in a slot meant for it.
7. The classroom was next to their bedrooms.
8. Margie said "I wouldn't want a strange man in my house to teach me" because she thought that a man teacher would come to their house to teach her.
9. Margie had her school next to her bed room. She studied from telebooks. The words used to scroll and were unlike printed books. When the pages were shuffled, the words changed. There were only three subjects being taught in her school. They were History, Geography and Arithmetic. The teacher who used to teach was a mechanical teacher. It was large and black and ugly. She had to finish her homework and write in punched

language. It was to be inserted in a special slot made for homework. She would appear in test and once inserted, she would get the result immediately.

10. Margie's mechanical teacher was not functioning properly. Her score in Geography was worsening. Her mother sent for the county inspector to check. The county inspector dismantled the mechanical teacher. Margie hoped that he wouldn't be able to reassemble it. However, he assembled it and set it right for Margie. It was again, large and black and ugly, with a big screen on which all the lessons were shown and the questions were asked. Margie thought that the teacher would be taken to the workshop and it would take about a month's time as was the case when Tommy's teacher went bad. So she was very disappointed.