

CBSE Class 9 English Language and Literature
Moments Chapter-2 The Adventures of Toto
Test Paper-05

Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

1. "If there is a part of the brain especially devoted to mischief, that part was largely developed in Toto."
 - a. Who is Toto?
 - b. What is meaning of 'mischief'?
 - c. Why does the author say this?
 - d. Is Toto really mischievous? Give reason.
2. "Once comfortable, he would take the soap in his hands or feet and rub himself all over. When the water became cold, he would get out and run as quickly as he could to the kitchen-fire in order to dry himself".
 - a. Who is 'he' in the given extract?
 - b. Who provide hot water to 'him'?
 - c. What would 'he' do if anyone laughs at him doing this?
 - d. Find out a word for the extract which has the meaning - 'cozy'.

Answer the following questions in about 30 words:

3. Why did Grandfather brought Toto?
4. When does Grandfather realized that Toto wasn't the sort of pet they could keep for long?
5. What did Toto do with the dish of pullao?
6. Was Toto mischievous or docile? Give reasons for your answers.
7. Is it desirable to have a pet like Toto?
8. Describe the qualities of the ticket-collector.

Answer the following questions in about 100 words:

9. While keeping pets at home, what all things should we keep in mind? Write on the basis of "The Adventures of Toto".
10. "All glitters are not gold." - Elucidate the statement with reference to the story "The Adventure of Toto".

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Answers

Toto is a baby monkey, brought by Grandfather.

- b. Mischief means 'naughtiness'.
 - c. Toto was always tearing things into pieces. So, the author says this.
 - d. Yes, Toto is mischievous. Whenever one of the aunts came near him, he made every effort to get hold of their dress and tear a hole in it.
- 2.
- a. 'He' refers to Toto.
 - b. Grandmother used to provide Toto hot water to his bath.
 - c. If anyone laughed at him, Toto's feelings would get hurt and he would refuse to go on with his bath.
 - d. Comfortable.
3. Toto was a baby monkey and he was tied to the feeding-trough. So, Grandfather felt some sympathy towards him and decided to add Toto to his private zoo. He brought Toto from the Tonga-driver for the sum of five rupees.
4. One day, Toto picked up the dish of pullao and threw a plate on Grandmother. He also threw a glass of water on one of the aunt's face. And Toto was not the sort of pet they could keep for long as no one could afford the constant loss of dishes, clothes, curtains and wallpapers.
5. Toto picked up the dish of pullao, which stood in the center of the dining table and stuffed himself with rice and made his exit through the window. He sat on the jackfruit tree and finished every grain. Then, he threw the dish down from the tree, and chattered with delight when it broke into a hundred pieces.
6. Yes, Toto is mischievous. Toto would damage all the dishes, clothes, curtain and wallpapers. Whenever one of the aunts came near him, he made every effort to get hold of her dress and tear a hole in it. He even succeeded in boiling himself alive. One day he crosses his limits by grabbing a dish of pullao and throwing plate on Grandmother.
7. No, it is not desirable to have a pet like Toto who would be a destruction to owners and

visitors. No one would afford frequent loss of dishes, clothes, curtains and wallpapers. and he didn't allow any of his companions to sleep at night.

8. The ticket-collector is known as a Stickler. He follows his rulebooks only. His inventiveness tries to classify all pets of certain size as dog in order to get fares. That's why the ticket-collector calls Toto as a dog.
9. Before adopting a pet, we should think whether the pet can thrive in the space of house. As a pet owner we should take precautions regarding the dangers posed by pets. In this story, Grandfather fails to take such precautions, he was unable to control the mischievousness of Toto, the baby monkey. Pets should not be allowed to the areas which may pose risks like fires. But Toto was so free to move in house that one day he gets into the boiling kettle which was kept over the heat in the kitchen. He succeeded in boiling himself alive.

All the dishes and oil-containers should be closed tautly. Medicines, pesticides and other chemicals should be kept out of their reach. Toto being a monkey caused damage to dishes, clothes, curtains and wallpapers. He was not the sort of pet that could kept at home for long.

10. Toto was a pretty monkey. His bright eyes sparkled with mischief beneath deep-set eyebrows, and his teeth, which were white as pearl, were very often displayed in a smile that frightened the life out of elderly Anglo-Indian ladies. His fingers were quick and wicked; and his tail, while adding to his good looks it served as a third hand also. But his looks were not in harmony with his nature. In fact, he was very mischievous. He made periodical loss of dishes, curtains, clothes and wallpapers, which was difficult (for grandfather) to afford. He was a trouble-maker for all his companions at the servant's quarters. He didn't allow any of them to sleep. He used to fasten on Nana's ears with his little teeth. He broke things into pieces. Whenever one of the author's aunts came near him, he made every effort to get hold of their dress and tear a hole in it. Toto was deceptively pretty, because he was utterly mischievous, therefore, it can be concluded that looks may be deceptive and all glitters are not gold!