

**CBSE Class 9 English Language and Literature**  
**Moments Chapter-7 The Last Leaf**  
**Test Paper-04**

---

**Read the following passages and answer the questions**

1. They tiptoed into the room. Johnsy was sleeping.
  - a. Who is being talked about here?
  - b. Why did they tiptoed into the room?
  - c. What discussion did they had in the room?
  - d. Was their discussion fruitful? Give reason to support your answer.
2. In a feeble voice she asked Sue to draw the curtains. Sue was nervous. Sue drew back the curtains very reluctantly.
  - a. When had Sue drawn the curtains?
  - b. Did Sue try to convince her before drawing back the curtains?
  - c. Why was she reluctant to draw back the curtains?
  - d. What was her reaction when the curtains were drawn back?

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

3. Who were Sue and Johnsy?
4. When and what happened to Johnsy?
5. What medication was given to Johnsy at the time of her illness?
6. Why wasn't Johnsy recovering?
7. What did Sue do when Johnsy gained her spirit to live again?
8. What was his lifelong dream? Why had it remained unfulfilled so far?

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

9. Life is precious and faith and hope should never be lost. Justify the statement.
10. Suppose Mr. Behrman recovers from his illness and writes a letter to her daughter how he suffered from Pneumonia and how things led him to fulfil his dream.

**CBSE Class 9 English Language and Literature**  
**Moments Chapter-7 The Last Leaf**  
**Test Paper-04**

---

**Answers**

1.
  - a. They refers to Sue and Mr. Behrman.
  - b. They tiptoed into the room because Johnsy was sleeping after being convinced to rest.
  - c. Sue and Behrman discussed about Johnsy's condition. They were worried what would happen if the last leaf of ivy creeper fell.
  - d. Their discussion came out to be fruitful as Mr. Behrman, stealthily fought the stormy wind and rain to paint the last-live leaf of the creeper.
2.
  - a. Sue drew the curtains when Johnsy was depressed staring at the ivy creeper leaves.
  - b. Yes, Sue tried to convince her in positive that nothing will happen to her.
  - c. She was reluctant to draw back the curtains because it was storm last night and the last leaf would have fall.
  - d. When the curtains were drawn back, Sue was happy that there was a leaf on the creeper. Johnsy was amazed to see the leaf clinging to it.
3. Sue and Johnsy were young artist friends who lived together in the same apartment on the third floor. They were struggling to establish themselves in the world of art.
4. In the season of autumn i.e. November, Johnsy fell seriously ill. She was afflicted by pneumonia. She became negative and depressed due to which her condition became worrisome for Sue and doctor.
5. She was under constant observation of the doctor, who use to come up daily. Sue was with her serving her hot soup and medicines that she required to get well.
6. Johnsy was in a state of depression. She had lost her will. She was in a negative state of mind due to which the medicines were not showing sign of recovery.
7. When Johnsy realized her mistake and apologized to Sue, she felt very happy. She gave her lots of hot soup to gain energy and a mirror to look better.
8. Behrman's lifelong dream was to create a master piece. It had remained unfulfilled so far because he had not found any opportunity or inspiration to paint the masterpiece.
9. The story is based on the theme that life is precious and faith and hope should never be lost. We come across many hindrances in life and they should be overcome by fighting

back in high spirits. Depression can lead to disaster even when the situation is not bad. This can be seen in Johnsy's condition. She became depressed. She lost hope to live and assumed that falling of the last leaf would be the end of her life. Sue's motivation and dedicated behavior symbolizes that devoted friendship can be successful during times of crisis. Behrman's sacrifice teaches the importance of art in human lives. The old painter sacrifices his life to create the masterpiece so that Johnsy could revive her spirit to live.

10. (Date)

12-III floor

Ivy apartments,

London

Dear ABC,

Hope you are in the pink of your health. I am improving each day from my condition of pneumonia. I think of you all the time and miss you a lot.

Dear, you will be glad to hear that my dream to create a masterpiece is fulfilled. I cannot express in words how happy I am to share this instance with you. My neighbor Johnsy get ill from pneumonia few days back and got depressed with life. Sue asked for my help and I went upon reaching the window through ladder and lantern to create a fresh green and yellow leaf to save the spirit of life in her. To my wonder, she assumed it to be a live leaf. They credited it to be my masterpiece as it gave her the ray of hope to live.

It gives me immense pleasure when I see Johnsy happy. She has become optimist and realized that her whims were utterly nonsense.

My dear, as a teenager, you must also learn that the worthiest thing is being alive and happy. Wish you good health. Expect you to be back here in holidays. Hope to hear from you soon.

With love

Behrman