



2. Daydreams - Answers



Passage 1:

Once there lived a couple who spent a lot of time in idle talk. One day, the husband said, "I have always wanted to keep cows. If, by chance, I get some extra money from somewhere, I am going to buy a few cows."

"But that means a lot of work. You have to feed the cows, walk them, bathe them, milk them - cows need a lot of looking after. One cow would be enough. There's no need to buy more cows," said the wife.

Q1. How did the couple spend their time?

Ans. The couple spent their time in idle talk.

Q2. Who spent a lot of time in idle talk?

Ans. A couple spent their time in idle talk.

Q3. When was the husband going to buy a few cows?

Ans. The husband was going to buy a few cows, if by chance he gets some extra money from somewhere.

*Q4. What did the husband want to buy if he got some extra money?

Ans. The husband wanted to buy a few cows if he got some extra money.

Q5 Why did the wife feel that looking after cows is a lot of work?

Ans. She felt that looking after the cows is a lot of work because you have to feed the cows, walk them, bathe them and milk them. Cows need a lot of looking after.

Q6. How many cows did the wife want to buy?

Ans. The wife wanted to buy only one cow.

Q7. How do you spend your free time?

(Answer as per students' discretion.)

Passage 2:

"But that means a lot of work. You have to feed the cows, walk them, bathe them, milk them - cows need a lot of looking after. One cow would be enough. There's no need to buy more cows," said the wife.

"But think of all the milk we'll get if we buy more," said the husband.

"That's true." The wife agreed. "There will be so much milk that we can even have plenty of dahi and butter and ghee. Wouldn't it be lovely! How lucky that I have all these earthen pots kept aside. I'll use one of the pots for milk, one for dahi, one for butter. The ghee, I'll put in another jar. And I'll use this remaining pot to send milk to my sister."

Q1. Why didn't the wife agree to buy a lot of cows?

Ans. The wife didn't agree to buy a lot of cows because she felt that keeping cows is a lot of work. You have to feed the cows, walk them, bathe them and milk them.

Q2. How did the husband convince the wife to buy cows?

Ans. The husband convinced his wife by telling her that they will get a lot of milk if they have more cows.

Q3. Did the wife agree to buy the cows?

Ans. Yes, the wife agreed to buy the cows as the husband convinced her that they will get a lot of milk if they have more cows.

Q4. How was the wife going to use the earthen pots?

Ans. She was going to use one of the pots for milk, one for dahi and one for butter.

Q5. What did the wife plan to do with the remaining pot?

Ans. The wife planned to send the remaining pot of milk to her sister.

Q6. What are the different things obtained from milk?

Ans. We get dahi, butter, ghee, paneer and buttermilk from milk.

Q7. How was the wife going to store the ghee?

Ans. The wife was going to store the ghee in another jar.

Passage 3:

"Send milk to your sister! Who said you could send milk to your sister!"

"There will be plenty of milk, if we have so many cows. Why shouldn't I send it to my sister?"

"Because we are going to sell it in the market - that's why. I will decide what to do with all that milk. And not a drop of it goes to your sister, remember!"

"I'll see how you can stop me from sending a pot full of milk to my dear sister. I do all the hard work running after the cows so naturally I will decide what happens to the milk. Just try stopping me!" the wife exclaimed.

Q1. What did the husband and wife argue about?

Ans. The husband and wife argued about sending the remaining pot of milk to the wife's sister.

*Q2. What did the husband intend to do with the remaining milk?

Ans. The husband intended to sell the remaining milk in the market.

Q3. Why did the wife say that she will decide about the milk?

Ans. The wife said that she would decide about the milk because she felt that she would be doing the hard work of running after the cows.

Q4. Did the wife agree to the husband's plan of selling the milk in the market? Why?

Ans. No the wife did not agree to the husband's plan of selling the milk in the market because she felt that since she did the hard work of running after the cows, she would decided about the remaining milk.

Q5. What will you do if someone does not agree to what you say?

(Answer as per student's discretion)

Passage 4:

"Is that so!" shouted the husband. "Watch this, then!" He began to lift and smash the earthen pots one by one. His wife began to scream.

Gopal Bhand, who was passing by, heard all the commotion and rushed inside. When he heard what had happened, he picked up a stout stick that stood in a corner and began to swish it through the air and pound it on the floor. The husband and wife were both astounded to see his antics.

"What are you doing?" they enquired.

"Move aside," said Gopal Bhand. "I have to drive away your greedy cows. You have let them wander and now they have ruined my field of beans and cucumbers!"

"But you don't have a field of beans and cucumbers!" said the husband. As soon as he said that, Gopal Bhand stopped wielding the stick and looked at him with raised eyebrows. The husband and wife understood what he was trying to tell them. Can you tell what he wanted to say?

Q1. Why did the husband smash the earthen pots?

Ans. When the wife disagreed with him of selling the remaining milk in the market, he got angry and started smashing the earthen pots.

Q2. Why did the wife begin to scream?

Ans. The wife began to scream when the husband stated lifting the earthen pots and smashing them in anger.

Q3. Who was passing by? Why did he run inside the couple's house?

Ans. Gopal Bhand was passing by. And he rushed inside the couple's house when he heard the commotion in the house.

Q4. What did Gopal Bhand do?

Ans. When he heard what had happened, he picked up a stout stick that stood in a corner and began to swish it through the air and pound it on the floor.

Q5. How did the couple react to Gopal Bhand's action?

Ans. The husband and wife were both astounded to see his antics. They enquired with him what he was doing.

*Q6. What did Gopal Bhand say he was doing?

Ans. Gopal Bhand told them to move aside as he had to drive away the couple's greedy cows which they had let them wander and now they had ruined his field of beans and cucumbers.

*Q7. Did Gopal Bhand have a field?

Ans. No Gopal Bhand did not have a field.

*Q8. What did Gopal Bhand want to tell the husband and wife?

Ans. Gopal Bhand wanted to tell the husband and wife that they were arguing about what they would do with the remaining milk when they didn't even have any cows.

*Q9. What is the difference between 'dream' and 'daydream'?

Ans. The word 'dream' has two meanings; the first one is a series of images and feelings occurring in a person's mind during sleep, and the second meaning is a long held desire or wish. The word 'daydream' means a series of pleasant thoughts that distract one's attention from the present.

Q10. Is it good to daydream? Why?

(Answer as per student's discretion)

*Q11. What was the daydream you last had? Write down your daydream in short.

(Answer as per student's discretion)

Q1. Fill in the blanks with the correct adjectives from the lesson.

- idle talk
- extra money
- few cows
- lot of milk
- earthen pots
- stout stick
- greedy cows
- lovely field
- raised eyebrows
- your sister
- another jar
- one day

Q2. Find the meanings of the following words:

- idle - habitually doing nothing or avoiding work; lazy.
- couple - any two persons considered together.
- chance - a possibility
- enough - sufficient
- agree - to have the same views
- plenty - a full or abundant supply or amount
- earthen - made of mud
- naturally - by nature
- exclaimed - to cry out; say loudly
- smash - to break to pieces with violence and often with a crashing sound
- commotion - noisy disturbance:
- stout - heavily built
- swish - to whip
- pound - to strike repeatedly with great force
- astounded - shock with wonder or surprise.
- antics - a playful trick or prank
- greedy - having a strong or great desire for something
- wander - to stray from a path, place, companions, etc
- ruined - a destroyed
- wielding - to use a weapon or instrument effectively
- daydreams - a series of pleasant thoughts that distract one's attention from the present
- enquired - to question

Q3. List down the phrases from the lesson

- a lot of time
- to keep cows
- some extra money
- a few cows
- a lot of work
- one of the pots
- plenty of milk
- so many cows
- all that milk

Q4. State whether the following sentences are- Assertive, Interrogative, Exclamatory or Imperative

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| 1. There's no need to buy more cows. | Assertive |
| 2. Wouldn't it be lovely! | Exclamatory |
| 3. The couple spent a lot of time on idle talk. | Assertive |
| 4. Why shouldn't I send it to my sister? | Interrogative |
| 5. And not a drop of it goes to your sister! | Exclamatory |
| 6. He began to smash the earthen pots. | Assertive |
| 7. Move aside. | Imperative |
| 8. What are you doing? | Interrogative |
| 9. Oh, my lovely field of beans and cucumbers! | Exclamatory |
| 10. Can you tell what you wanted to say? | Interrogative |
| 11. Watch this. | Imperative |
| 12. Send milk to your sister! | Exclamatory |
| 13. The husband and wife understood what he was trying to tell them. | Assertive |
| 14. Is that so! | Exclamatory |
| 15. Gopal Bhand stopped wielding the stick. | Assertive |