

LESSON: STORY WRITING

With the help of the given outlines, develop readable stories:

Question .1

The mice in a house..... afraid of the cat hold a meeting one proposes to tie a bell round the cat's neck..... all agree who is to bell the cat? No mouse offers..... the cat appears..... all run away.

Answer

Belling the Cat

Once the mice living in a certain house were very unhappy. The cause of their worry was that there was a cat who used to kill them regularly. At last they held a meeting to see how they could get rid of the cat. One mouse said they should leave the house. Another said that they should not come out of their holes.

Then a young mouse stood up and said, "Let us tie a bell round the cat's neck. Then when the cat comes, we shall hear the bell and can get out of its way*."

All the mice shouted "Good!" They all thought it was a very good plan indeed. Now an old mouse stood up and said, "The plan is, no doubt, good, but who will tie the bell round the cat's neck?"

No mouse offered to do it. Suddenly the cat appeared, and all the mice ran into their holes.

Question. 2

Old peasant all his sons lazy..... peasant dyingcalled all his sonstold them of a treasure..... hidden in the fields..... to find it they must dig for it

.....then died..... sons dug every bit of the land no treasure showed thecorn a very fine crop..... sons learnt the lesson..... what?

Answer

The Hidden Treasure

A peasant had several sons. But they were all lazy and did not help him in the farm. One day the peasant became ill. He knew he was dying. So he called all his sons together and said to them: "A treasure lies hidden in my fields. But to find it you shall have to dig hard for it."

The peasant died. At once his sons went to the fields, and dug every bit of die land, but they found no treasure.

They were very sad. Soon the rains fell and, as the earth has been well dug;, they sowed the corn.

There was a very fine crop that year. The sons now learnt what their father meant by treasure. The treasure could be got only by hard work.

Question . 3

A boy falls in bad company..... father brings applesput them in the cupboard places a rotten apple among themnext day all apples rotten

.....teaches a lesson. Moral

Answer

Bad Company

Once a boy fell into bad company. He began to waste time. It disturbed his father. He tried his best to set him on the right path, but all his efforts proved in vain.

One day the father thought Of a plan. He bought some fresh apples from the market. He bought one rotten apple also. Then he said to his son, "Put these apples in the cupboard." The boy did so.

Next day, the father asked his son to bring all the apples. The boy opened the cupboard and was shocked to see that all the apples were rotten. The father said, "One rotten apple has spoiled all the good ones. Bad friends are like rotten apples. They will spoil you". The boy understood everything. He immediately gave up bad company and became a good boy again.

Moral : Better alone than in a bad company.

Question . 4

A shepherd boylooked after a flock of sheep cried wolf? For fun..... neighbours gathered in a large number nowolf the boy laughed at them..... one day wolf really came

.....the boy cried for help..... neighbours didnt believe him..... the wolf killed the boy and his sheep. Moral

Answer

The Shepherd Boy and the Wolf

A shepherd boy looked after a flock of sheep. One day he wished to have some fun so he shouted “Wolf! Wolf! Help! Help!”

All the men working in the field, hearing the boy’s shouts, came running up with sticks in their hands to drive the wolf away.

“Where is the wolf?” they said. “There is no wolf,” said the boy. “I called out for fun. What fun it was to see you all running up for nothing.

The men were very angry that the boy had played a trick. One day, however the wolf did really come. The boy shouted, “wolf! wolf!” But the neighbours did not believe him! They thought he was simply calling out for fun. So they did not come to the boy’s help. The wolf killed the boy and his sheep.

Moral: Once a liar, always a liar.