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UNIT 3: THE LTTLE GIRL, RAIN ON THE ROOF

REFERENCE TO CONTEXT QUESTIONS

1.To the little girl he was a figure to be feared and avoided. Every morning before going to work he came into her room and gave her a casual kiss, to which she responded with 'Good Bye Father'. And oh, there Was a glad sense of relief when she heard the noise of the carriage growing fainter and fainter down the long road!

- 1. What was the daily routine of the father?
- 2. 'When did the daughter feel relief?
- 3. Trace a word from the passage which means "answered".
- 2. But the same old nightmare came the butcher with a knife and a rope who came nearerand nearer, with that dreadful smile, while she could not move, only stand still, crying out "Grandma!". She woke shivering to see father beside her bed, a candle in his hand."What is the matter?" he said.
 - 1. Why did she get the nightmare?
 - 2. Where was the butcher?
 - 3. Find a word from the passage that means "shake in fear and cold".
- 3. "But it was for your b-b- birth day." Down came the ruler on her little, pink palms. Hours later, when grandmother had wrapped her in a shawl and rocked her in the rocking- chair, the child clung to her soft body. "What did God make fathers for?" she sobbed.
 - 1. Who is responding in the first line and before whom?
 - 2. How did the father react?
 - 3. Find a word from the passage that means "wept".
- 4. On Sunday afternoon, Grandmother sent her down to the drawing room to have a "Nicetalk with Father and Mother". But the little girl always found mother reading and father stretched out on the sofa, his handkerchief on his flee, his feet on one of the best cushions, sleeping soundly and snoring.
 - 1. Who was 'she' and why did the grandmother send her down?
 - 2. What did she notice about her parents?

- 3. Trace a word that mean "undisturbed".
- 5. She sat on a stool, gravely watched him until he woke and stretched, and asked thetime then looked at her. "Don't stare so, Kezia. You look like a little brown owl".
 - 1. Who is Kezia watching gravely?
 - 2. Why was she sitting there waiting for him to wake up?
 - 3. Trace the word in the extract which means "seriously".

6. Kezia can't stay in the dark because it gets _____

- (a) Cloudy
- (b) Whispery
- (c) Sultry
- (d) Cold

7. What did Kezia's father do in the drawing room on Sunday afternoons?

- (a) reading newspaper
- (b) taking tea
- (c) talking to her mother
- (d) sleep on the sofa

8. How did Kezia feel when she had to speak to her father?

- (a) joyful
- (b) confident
- (c) she would stutter while speaking to him
- (d) none

Answer the following questions in 30-40 words

- 1) How does the poet describe the sky before the rain falls?
- 2) Do you think that the poem 'The Rain On The Roof' is lauding the healing power of nature's rain?
- 3) What does each sound of the shingle create?
- 4) Is the poet able to enjoy the rain or he reminiscent of the lost time?

5) Who are the darling dreamers?

- (a) the poet and his brothers
- (b) the street children
- (d) none of these

6) What does the poet attach the darkness with?

- (A) joyful mood
- (b) sadness
- (c) pleasant

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