

class 7 The Tempest ch-9

A. Answer these questions.

1. Why does Prospero call Antonio a 'false uncle'? How did Antonio usurp his position?

A. Twelve years earlier Prospero was the Duke of Milan and Miranda was a princess. However, they were betrayed by his brother, Antonio, That is why Prospero calls Antonio a false uncle as he had deceived him and Miranda and with the King of Naples, Antonio had deposed him in a coup.

2. What does Miranda recall from her childhood?

A. Miranda recalls that when she was a child she had four to five women taking care of her.

3. How did Prospero make an exit from his kingdom with his daughter?

A. With the aid of Gonzalo, Prospero had escaped in a boat with the infant Miranda and his books of magic and food supplies. They travelled to the island, made it their home.

4. When Prospero met with the misfortune, what comfort did his little daughter provide him?

A. When Prospero met with the misfortune his little daughter's smile provided with comfort which was infused with a fortitude from heaven.

5. What qualities did Prospero possess that kept him moving?

A. Prospero had the qualities of bravery and survival that kept him moving so that one day he could take back his kingdom from his enemies.

6. Why is Miranda surprised to know about their real identity?

A. Miranda is surprised to know about their real identity because she was only a child when this misfortune happened and her father had never told her this earlier.

B. Answer these questions with reference to the context.

1. Thy father was the Duke of Milan. The prince of power...

a. Who is the speaker?

A. Prospero

b. What was the turn of events in the speaker's life?

A. there was a coup against him and he escaped with his daughter in a boat

c. What other powers did the speaker possess?

A.the power that he possessed was magic

2. O the heavens! What foul play had we that we came from hence?

a. Who is the speaker?

A.Miranda

b. Why is the speaker shocked and surprised?

A.that her uncle betrayed them

c. Explain 'foul play'.

A.any treacherous or unfair dealing, especially involving murder

3. Good wombs have borne bad sons.

a. Who is the speaker and whom is the speaker referring to?

A.Miranda is referring to her uncle Antonio

b. Who is the 'good womb' in this context?

A.Prospero and Antonio's mother

C. What were the bad deeds done by the 'sons'?

A.Antonio deceived his brother and Prospero caused a storm which caused a shipwreck

c Think and answer.

1. On the basis of your understanding of the play, describe the father-daughter relationship in your own words.

A.The father and daughter relationship was a good one but not very close as the father protected her all this while and never told her about his past

2. A'sea change' refers to a significant and profound change, or a transformation. Can you think of anything in the extract you read that represents a sea change in the lives of the characters?Illustrate your answer.

A. A'sea change' refers to a transformation. This extract brings a change in the life of Prospero as he was the ruler at one time, but after he was betrayed he had to escape and live on an Island like an ordinary man, no more a king.

3. If you were Prospero, would you forgive Antonio for the terrible things that he did or would you want to seek revenge? Do you think it is important for people to forgive each other? Give reasons for your answer.

A. I would forgive Anthonio for the terrible things he did and wont seek revenge. Yes, it is important to forgive each other as we all make mistakes and hurt others and at the same time we want others to forgive us.

Homework- page 84 & 85 exercise B and language lab do it yourself.