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Class Notes

Lesson-2, Children at Work

Class-8

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Q1. Velu stood on the platform but he felt ‘as if he was still on a moving train.’ Why?

Ans- It was Velu’s first experience of travelling by train and he had been travelling for continuous two days. So When he got down from the train and stood on the platform his legs felt wobbly and still on a moving train.

Q2. What made him feel miserable?

Ans- He was miserable because he didn’t know anyone there and felt lonely.

Q3. I) Velu travelled without a ticket. Why?

Ans- Velu travelled without a ticket because he had no money to buy tickets.

ii) How did he escape the ticket collector’s attention?

Ans- He was lucky that the ticket collector didn’t come in the compartment where Velu was sitting.

Q4. Why had Velu run away from home?

Ans- Velu had run away from home because he couldn’t stand his father’s beating him one more day. His father spent all the money that Velu and his sister earned and spent on his drink.

Q5 Why did he decide to follow the ‘strange’ girl?

Ans- Velu decided to follow the strange girl because he had no other option. He didn’t know anyone in Chennai and he didn’t know where to go.

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Q1. Can Velu read Tamil and English? How do you know?

Ans- Velu could read Tamil but not English because he could not read the signboards written in English.

Q2. "If you are not careful , you will be soon counting bars there", the girl said.

- i) What is she referring to?

Ans- She is referring to the Central Jail.

- ii) What does she mean when she says ,”If you are not careful...”?

Ans- She means to say that Velu should be careful and shouldn't get caught by the police or he would be put into jail.

Q3. i) Where did the girl lead Velu to ?

Ans- The girl led Velu to a big wedding hall.

- iii) What did they get to eat?

Ans. They got to eat leftover food there. It was banana and vada.

Q4. What work did she do? Give one word answer.

Ans- The girl was a ragpicker.