

CLASS-8TH

HONEYDEW- Unit-6 Chapter-1st This is Jody's Fawn

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Comprehension Check – I

Q.1. What had happened to Jody's father?

Ans. Jody's father had been bitten by a rattlesnake.

Q.2. How did the doe save Penny's life?

Ans. Penny killed a doe and used its heart and liver to draw out the poison. Thus, it was doe who saved Penny's life.

Q.3. Why does Jody want to bring the fawn home?

Ans. Jody wants to bring the fawn home because it was orphaned by Jody's father. It would be ungrateful to leave the fawn alone.

Q4. How does Jody know that the fawn is a male?

Ans. Jody saw the spots on the fawn. The spots of a male are in a line whereas of a doe fawn, they are every which way.

COMPREHENSION CHECK-II

Q.1. Jody did not want Mill-wheel with him for two reasons. What were they?

Ans. Jody didn't want Mill-wheel to come with him for two reasons-

1. If the fawn was dead, or could not be found, he did not want his disappointment to be seen.
2. And if the fawn was there, the meeting would be so lovely and so secret that he could not endure to share it.

Q. 2. Why was Mill-wheel afraid to leave Jody alone?

Ans. Mill-wheel was afraid to leave Jody alone because he was scared if Jody got lost or got bitten by a snake, too.

COMPREHENSION CHECK-III

Q. 1. How did Jody bring the fawn back home

Ans. Jody held the fawn in his arms and brought him back home.

Q. 2. Jody was filled with emotion after he found the fawn. Can you find at least three words or phrases which show how he felt?

Ans. Jody was light-headed with joy, wanted to fondle it, to run and romp with it.

Q. 3. How did the deer drink milk from the gourd ?

Ans. Jody dipped his fingers in the milk and thrust them into the fawn's mouth. He then lowered his fingers into the gourd. The fawn blew and sucked and snorted and started sipping the milk.

Q. 4. Why didn't the fawn follow Jody up the steps as he had thought it would ?

Ans. The fawn was very small and weak. It got scared and refused climb up the steps.

Working with the text

Q. 1. Why did Penny Baxter allow Jody to go find the fawn and raise it ?

Ans. Penny Baxter was bitten by a rattlesnake and the mother doe of the fawn was killed by him in order to use its heart and liver to draw out the poison. After the mother's death, the fawn was all alone and he and Jody did not want it to die of starvation. So Penny asked Jody to bring the fawn home and raise it.

Q. 2. What did Doc Wilson mean when he said, "Nothing in the world ever comes quite free?"

Ans. Penny killed the doe to use its liver and heart to draw out the poison and thus the fawn was left alone. When Jody expressed his feelings to bring the fawn home, the doctor said so because it was just like a payment or return for the death of the doe (By bringing the fawn they were compensating the death of the doe).

Q. 3. How did Jody look after the fawn, after he accepted the responsibility for doing this?

Ans. Jody brought the fawn in his arms back home. Then he took it to the kitchen and fed it with milk. He dipped his fingers in the milk and thrust them into the fawn's soft wet mouth. It sucked greedily. He again dipped his fingers and as the fawn sucked, he lowered them slowly into the milk. The fawn blew, sucked and snorted and then started having the milk till the last of it vanished.

Q. 4. How does Jody's mother react when she hears that he is going to bring the fawn home? Why does she react in this way?

Ans. When Jody's mother heard that he was going to bring the fawn home she was shocked and startled. The kettle remained in the air. She reacted so because firstly she was not expecting this and secondly, they had nothing to feed the fawn.

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