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Grade - 8

Subject: English

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Pre Activity: Write at least 5 home remedies that are commonly used at your home.

Comprehension Check

1. What had happened to Jody's father?

A. In this story, Jody's father had been bitten by a rattlesnake.

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

A. Jody killed a doe to use its heart and liver to extract poison out of Penny. This is how the doe saved Penny's life.

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

Jody wondered that the fawn must be lost and hungry without his mother. Thus, Jody wanted to bring the fawn home to raise him as he felt responsible to take care of him.

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

A. Jody was sure that the fawn was a male because the spots on the fawn were all in a line and his father had told him that a female deer or doe-fawn has spots going in different directions.

5. Jody didn't want Mill-wheel with him for two reasons. What were they?

A. Jody became unwilling to be with Mill-wheel because of two reasons. He wondered if the fawn was dead or could not be found, he did not want Mill-wheel to see his disappointment. On the other hand, if he found the fawn, the union would be so lovely and personal that he could not bring himself to share it.

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

A. Mill-wheel was afraid to leave Jody alone as he was worried about what would happen if he got lost or bitten by a snake too.

7. How did Jody bring the fawn back home?

A. Jody carried the fawn for a while and then stood for a while to take rest as he kept the fawn on the ground. He remembered that his father had told him a fawn would follow you if you had carried him first for a while. so, for some distance, Jody let it follow him. But as he wobbled, Jody kept picking him up and carrying it too. This is how they reached home.

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

Jody was filled with emotion after he found the fawn. The words or phrases that throw light upon this fact are-

"The touch made him delirious"

"He was " enchanted"

"He was light-headed with his joy"

9. How did the deer drink milk from the gourd?

A. The deer was unwilling to drink the milk directly from the gourd. So, Jody dipped his fingers in the milk and put them in its soft wet mouth instantly which the fawn sucked greedily.

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

A. The fawn hesitated and balked at the idea of climbing up the steps as he followed Jody. That is why Jody had to carry him up against his original idea.

Working with the Text

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

A. After Penny Baxter was bitten by a snake, he had accepted that he would not live to see another day. But, Jody helped extract poison out of him with the help of a doe's heart and liver. The doe had a fawn and Jody was worried about his survival. Penny Baxter allowed Jody to go find him and raise it because he thought it would be ungrateful of them to leave him alone to starve.

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

A. When Jody was convincing ma Baxter to allow him to raise the fawn, whose mother (doe) was sacrificed to help save Penny Baxter, Doc Wilson remarked that "Nothing in the world ever comes quite free". This meant that while they took the poor fawn's mother's life to save Jody's father, they ought to take care of the fawn and raise him.

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

A. Jody took upon himself the responsibility of looking after the fawn. He carried it with utmost care and sensitivity to the house even though he was light-hearted with joy. He saved it from all the twigs and bushes that came along the way. He gave it his share of milk and even made it drink while remaining patient, as the fawn refused to drink directly from the gourd.

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 learned that he was planning to bring the deer home, she was taken aback and inquired about the fawn. He went on to say that it was the fawn whose mother they had slaughtered to save his father's life. She exclaimed and expressed her displeasure with the concept. She sadly informed him that they had run out of options and that he would have to give up the milk they had given him to feed the fawn.

She reacted in this manner because she was not present at the scene where Penny had been bitten and the doe had been murdered. Because she hadn't seen the fawn, she wasn't as concerned as Penny and Jody were. Besides, they didn't have much in their house to feed the fawn, and she might have been concerned about how she would feed the fawn.

Post Activity – Write a paragraph expressing your point of view regarding our relationship with nature. Paste any 5 things that we get from plants.