

MP Board Class 8th General English Solutions Chapter 5

The Miser and his Gold

Word Power

(A) Two meanings are given against each word. Underline the meaning you think correct.

Answer:

- Pleasure → Feeling of happiness
- Terrible → Very unpleasant
- Treasure → Collection of valuable things
- Chanced → Happened
- Miser → One who hates to spend money
- Robber → One who steals.

(B) Fill in the blanks with suitable antonyms.

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| (1) hard luck | good luck |
| (2) hard sum | easy sum |
| (3) light weight | heavy weight |
| (4) light colour | dark colour |
| (5) fair work | unfair work |
| (6) fair complexion | dark complexion |
| (7) harsh voice | soft voice |
| (8) harsh punishment | tender punishment |

Answer:

(C) Pick out the silent letters in the following words:

1. Wednesday
2. Sign
3. Comb
4. Knife
5. Walk
6. Hour.

Answer:

1. d
2. g
3. b
4. k
5. i
6. h.

(D) Write at least five more words with silent letters and underline the silent letter:

Answer:

- Know
- Honor
- Kitchen
- Honest
- Talk.

Comprehension

(A) Tick the correct answer:

Question 1.

What do you think the poem is about ? The poem is about –

- (a) a king
- (b) a miser
- (c) a teacher
- (d) a thief.

Answer:

- (b) a miser.

Question 2.

The miser came to the hole to see his –

- (a) hens
- (b) coins
- (c) treasure
- (d) pots.

Answer:

- (c) treasure.

Question 3.

The neighbors who came running did not know

- (a) Who the miser was
- (b) Why the miser was shouting
- (c) What the miser was doing.

Answer:

- (b) Why the miser was shouting

(B) Answer the following questions:

Question 1.

What was the only pleasure of the miser ?

Answer:

His only pleasure was to see his treasure everyday.

Question 2.

What did the robber do with the gold ?

Answer:

Robber took away the gold.

Question 3.

Why did the miser make a terrible clatter ?

Answer:

The miser made a terrible clatter because his treasure was gone.

Question 4.

What did the neighbors ask the miser ?

Answer:

The neighbors asked the miser what was the "matter.

Question 5.

What did the miser say in reply ?

Answer:

The miser said that the robber had run away with his gold.

Let's Read

Read the poem given in the book carefully. Now complete the following:

Question 1.

Three most valuable things in one's life

Answer:

Love, self – confidence and friends.

Question 2.

Three things that can destroy one's future

Answer:

Wine, pride and anger.

Question 3.

Three things that can make one's life

Answer:

Hard work, sincerity and commitment.