



QUESTION BANK – THE LOST CHILD

Class: IX

Sub: ENGLISH

**I. Answer the following questions**

1. Comment on the theme of the lesson ‘The Lost Child’
2. Bring out the message in the story, “The Lost Child.”
3. The man who had rescued the child was compassionate and kind. Discuss. Or

What values of humanity are reflected through the character of the kind man?

4. The child was denied everything by his parents. Why then did his love for them not lessen in any way?
5. When the child got lost in the fair a stranger helped him and tried to solve his problem. What do you feel about the behaviour of the stranger?
6. Compare the child’s behaviour before and after he lost his parents.
7. What was the child’s immediate reaction on being separated from his parents?
8. Describe the village scene when people were heading towards the fair.
9. There were somethings he knew his parents would not buy for him, so he did not ask for them. What were those things?
10. How did the child enjoy the beauty of nature on his way to the fair?

**II. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow: -**

***“His father looked at him red-eyed, in his familiar tyrant’s way. His mother, melted by the free spirit of the day was tender and, giving him her finger to hold, said, “Look, child, what is before you!”***

- (a) When did the father look red-eyed at the child?
- (b) Who is a tyrant? Was the father a tyrant?
- (c) What was the ‘free spirit of the day’ that made the mother ‘tender’?
- (d) Why did the mother ask the child to look before him?

***But he half knew as he begged that his plea would not be heeded because his parents would say he was greedy.***

- a) Who is ‘he’ in this line?
- b) What was the plea made by him?
- c) How did he ‘half knew’ that his plea would not be heeded?

d) What did 'he' do after this?

### **MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS**

1. What did the father do when the child said, 'I want that toy?'
  - He at once bought the toy for the child
  - He said, 'Look child, what is before you.'
  - He looked at the child red-eyed
  - He ran away from the child.
2. How did the flowering mustard field look?
  - White like silver
  - Red like rose
  - Pale like melting gold
  - Lovely like a rainbow
3. What was it that attracted the child on the footpath?
  - The butterflies
  - The dragon-flies
  - The doves
  - The little insects and worms
4. What shop was there at the entrance of the fair?
  - A toy shop
  - A balloon shop
  - A sweetmeat shop
  - A flower shop
5. At what point in the fair did the child lose his parents?
  - At the sweetmeat shop
  - At the flower shop
  - At the balloon sellers
  - At the roundabout

