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CLASS – X
THE LETTER

CHAPTER SUMMARY:

The Letter is a story of an old coachman, Ali. He suffered the pain of separation when his daughter Miriam left him alone after her marriage. The story reveals the careless attitude of the younger generation towards their old parents. The insensitive behaviour of the post office employees shows the hollowness of society.

The Early Morning Scene

It was a cold early winter morning and the sky was still grey. An old man was walking through the town, trying to protect himself from biting cold wind. Most of the people were still asleep as there was silence all around. This silence was broken occasionally by the sound of grinding mills from some houses, women singing, dogs barking, a workman going to work and a bird making a loud and unpleasant sound.

The Post Office-A Place of Pilgrimage for Ali

This old man was Coachman Ali, who never forgot his routine of going to the post office every morning. Neither winter nor summer could deter his firm determination. His strong hope made his legs carry him every day to the post office. His daughter had gone far away after her marriage and he wished to get news of her well-being. It was difficult to imagine that he had been going to the post office regularly for the last five years. The post office was like a place of pilgrimage for Ali.

No Relief for Poor Ali

Though Ali had been going to the post office for the past five years regularly, he did not receive any letter from his daughter. However, he did not give up hope and very regularly went to the post office early in the morning. Sitting in the veranda of the post office, he would hear the voice of the people working there doing their routine work.

Post Office Clerks Regarded Ali as a Madman

While waiting, Ali would hear the peons of various companies gossiping about their bosses. People there had become aware of his habit and considered him mad. They made fun of him by calling out his name even though there was no letter for him. They just wanted to see him jump eagerly to receive the letter which was not there at all. Thus, they insulted and laughed at the poor old man. They used to tell the postmaster that the man sitting outside was mad and troubled them every day.

One day, the postmaster enquired about Ali, as he had been seeing him sitting there regularly. He was told by the clerk that Ali has been coming there for the past five years in the hope of a letter. The postmaster was convinced that Ali was mad.

Ali-A Seasoned Hunter

Ali was a skilled shikari at one time. As his skill improved, so did his love for hunting. He was unable to pass even a single day without hunting. The earth-brown partridge (a kind of bird), almost invisible to other eyes, was easily spotted by him. He could easily spot a rabbit even when the dogs failed to do so. Besides this, he would often go out with his friends, who were fishermen.

Separation Made Ali Change His Ways

Ali changed his ways in his old age. This was due to the marriage of his only child, Miriam, with a soldier who was posted in Punjab. Ever since she had gone away Ali had not heard from her. He became a very unhappy man. He now realised the meaning of love and separation.

He lost all interest in hunting. He had now become a very lonely man. He sat under a tree and wept bitterly. He rose each morning at four to walk to the post office and would wait for his letter patiently.

The Postmaster's Rude Behaviour

For many days, Ali did not go to the post office. While none of the people in the post office cared, they were all anxious and eager to know the reason. After a few days, when he came again, he was very sick and was breathing with difficulty.

He was too old and it looked like he was not going to live long. That day, he could not hold back his emotions. He walked up to the postmaster to enquire if there was a letter for him from his daughter, Miriam. The postmaster, who was in a hurry to go out, called him a pest and shouted at him, saying that if his letter came, they would give it to him.

Ali's Request to Lakshmi Das

Helpless and impatient, Ali heard one of the clerks coming up behind him. The clerk's name was Lakshmi Das. Ali gave him five golden guineas (coins) requesting him that whenever his daughter Miriam's letter came, he should forward it to him at his grave.

Ali was aware of his approaching death. He told the clerk that it was his last day. After that, no one ever saw Ali again, nor did anyone bother to enquire about the reason for his not coming to the post office.

Postmaster Felt Remorse

One day, the postmaster was troubled and restless. His daughter, who lived in another town, was ill and he was anxiously waiting to hear from her that day. When the post was brought, he eagerly rushed towards it. He snatched at an envelope which looked like the one he was expecting from his daughter. He was shocked when he read the name on the envelope. It was addressed to Coachman Ali. He, at once, dropped the letter and realised that it was the letter for which Ali had been waiting for five years.

The postmaster called out to the clerk to whom Ali had given gold coins and enquired from him about Ali. The clerk promised to find out about Ali. The postmaster, who was now regretting his behaviour towards Ali, thought of giving the letter to Ali himself when he would come at four the next morning.

The Postmaster Understood the Feelings of a Father

The postmaster did not receive the letter which he had been waiting for. His worry for his daughter made him understand the anxiety felt by Ali for the past five years. That night, the postmaster got up at three in the morning and went to the post office. At five in the morning, the postmaster heard someone knocking at the door.

Feeling sure that it must be Ali, the postmaster eagerly got up from his chair, opened the door and asked Ali to enter. Then, he handed the letter to Ali. The postmaster felt that Ali had doubled with age and his face was wet with tears while he leaned on his stick. His face looked gentle but there was an unearthly (very strange) light in his eyes. The postmaster moved back in fear.

The Essential Human Worth of a Letter

Suddenly, Lakshmi Das came towards the postmaster. The postmaster told Lakshmi Das that he had just been speaking to Ali. Lakshmi Das told him that Ali had died three months ago. The postmaster was surprised when he heard about Ali's death. He saw Miriam's letter lying on the floor. Soon, the postmaster followed his daily routine but now he did not consider the envelope as just a thing on which something was written. He understood the essential human worth of a letter.

That evening after office, he went along with Lakshmi Das to Ali's grave and laid the letter on it. The postmaster's newly awakened father's heart was making him regret his behaviour of not being able to understand the anxiety of a father.

Multiple Choice Questions:

1. Who is the central character in the story?

- a) The postmaster
- b) Ali
- c) Lakshmi Das
- d) The coachman

Answer: b) Ali

2. What was Ali's profession before he grew old?

- a) Farmer
- b) Hunter
- c) Teacher
- d) Soldier

Answer: b) Hunter

3. Why did Ali visit the post office every day?

- a) To send letters
- b) To meet the postmaster
- c) To receive a letter from his daughter
- d) To collect his pension

Answer: c) To receive a letter from his daughter

4. What was the name of Ali's daughter?

- a) Mariam
- b) Fatima
- c) Salma
- d) Amina

Answer: a) Mariam

5. Why had Mariam left Ali?

- a) She went abroad.
- b) She got married and moved away.
- c) She joined the army.
- d) She became a teacher.

Answer: b) She got married and moved away.

6. How did the post office employees treat Ali?

- a) With great respect
- b) With sympathy from the beginning
- c) They mocked and ignored him.
- d) They always helped him.

Answer: c) They mocked and ignored him.

7. To whom did Ali give five gold guineas?

- a) The postmaster
- b) Lakshmi Das
- c) The clerk
- d) His neighbour

Answer: b) Lakshmi Das

8. Why did the postmaster later become anxious?

- a) He lost his job.
- b) He was expecting news about his own daughter.
- c) He wanted a promotion.
- d) He was ill.

Answer: b) He was expecting news about his own daughter.

9. What realization did the postmaster have at the end of the story?

- a) Hunting is cruel.
- b) Every letter carries someone's emotions and hopes.
- c) Ali was wrong to wait.
- d) The post office should be closed.

Answer: b) Every letter carries someone's emotions and hopes

10. What is the central theme of the story?

- a) Adventure
- b) Patriotism
- c) Love, hope, patience, and empathy
- d) Humour

Answer: c) Love, hope, patience, and empathy

Extract Based Questions

Read the following extracts carefully and answer the questions that follow.

1. The old man, shivering at times but fixed of purpose, plodded on till he came out of the town gate on to a straight road. Along this he now went at a somewhat slower pace, supporting himself on his old staff.

(a) Who was the old man and why was he shivering?

Ans. The old man was Coachman Ali. He was shivering because it was a cold winter morning.

(b) Where was he going so early?

Ans. He was going to the post office so early.

(c) What does the phrase, 'plodded on' mean?

Ans. It means to walk with great effort or laboriously.

(d) Why did the old man slow down?

Ans. The old man slowed down as he was tired from walking the long distance.

2. Beholding the wooden arch of this building, the old man was filled with the joy that the pilgrim feels when he first sees the goal of his journey. On the arch hung an old board. The voices of two or three people busy and their routine work could be faintly heard through the wall. "Police Superintendent," a voice called sharply. The old man started at the sound, but composed himself again to wait. But for the faith and love, that warmed him, he could not have borne the bitter cold.

(a) Why did he go to the building?

Ans. He went to the post office in the hope of getting a letter from his daughter, Miriam.

(b) Why is the old man compared to a pilgrim?

Ans. The old man is compared to a pilgrim because the post office is like a place of pilgrimage for him, as he visits it every day to enquire for a letter from his daughter.

(c) Why was 'he' in the bitter cold? Was he rewarded for his faith and love?

Ans. He', i.e., Ali, was in the bitter cold because he was waiting outside the post office in early morning. No, he was not rewarded as he did not receive any letter from his daughter.

(d) How was he able to gain strength to bear the bitter cold?

Ans. The hope of getting a letter from his daughter gave him strength to bear the bitter cold.

3. "It's a mad man, sir, who worries us by calling every day for letters that never come", said the clerk to the postmaster.

(a) Who is referred to as a 'mad man'?

Ans. Coachman Ali is referred to as a mad man here.

(b) The word in the extract means 'insane'.

Ans. mad

(c) What is the attitude of the clerk and the postmaster towards the mad man?

Ans. Their attitude is cruel and insensitive.

(d) What had the 'mad man' done to get this response from the clerk?

Ans. The 'mad man' had requested the clerk to give the letter addressed to him, as the clerk had announced his name jokingly, although no letter was there for him.

4. that now, forgetting his sport, he would become lost in the admiration of the green cornfield. He reflected deeply, and concluded that the whole universe was built up through love and that the grief of separation was inescapable.

(a) Why has Ali forgotten his sport?

Ans. Ali has forgotten his sport because he has become deeply absorbed in the beauty of the green cornfield. As he observes the field, he is moved by its peacefulness and harmony, which seem to stir a profound reflection within him.

(b) What do the above lines tell you about Ali's attitude towards nature?

Ans. The lines suggest that Ali has a deep and contemplative attitude towards nature. His reaction to the green cornfield shows that he is not just appreciating its beauty on the surface but is also moved by it in a way that triggers profound thoughts.

(c) What did his deep reflection of life make him realise?

Ans. This deep reflection on life made Ali realise that the entire universe is built on the foundation of love, and that the grief of separation is an inevitable part of life.

(d) What does the writer mean by 'grief of separation'?

Ans. By 'grief of separation', the writer refers to the inevitable pain and sorrow that comes when people or even aspects of life, are parted from each other.

5. The post office, one of the most uninteresting buildings in the world, became his place of pilgrimage. He always occupied a particular seat in a particular corner of the building, and when the people got to know

his habit, they laughed at him. The postmen began to make a game of him. Even though there was no letter for him they would call out his name for the fun of seeing him jump up and come to the door. Still with boundless faith and infinite patience, he came every day, and went away empty-handed.

(a) Identify any two characteristics of the postmaster that are revealed via their behaviour towards Ali.

Ans. The postmaster is a proud and an arrogant man who lacks empathy. He cannot understand Ali's emotions and fears regarding his daughter until he himself suffers it.

(b) Give one reason why the writer refers to the post office as "one of the most uninteresting buildings in the world".

Ans. The writer refers to the post office as 'one of the most uninteresting buildings in the world' as people come here to collect their letters and mails and leave. They do not stay here for more than they are required to.

(c) State Ali's thoughts as he walks out of the post office.

Ans. I am sure that Miriam will write to me some day. I will wait till then.

(d) Identify two words from the extract that imply 'without limits'.

Ans. Boundless and infinite

6. The postmaster was beginning to lose his temper. "Have you no sense?" he cried. "Get away! Do you think we're going to eat your letter when it comes?" and he walked off hastily. Ali came out very slowly, turning after every few steps to gaze at the post office. His eyes were filled with tears of helplessness, for his patience was exhausted, even though he still had faith. Yet how could he still hope to hear from Miriam?

(a) Select the expression that means to get angry.

Ans, to lose his temper.

(b) How was Ali feeling?

Ans. Ali was feeling helpless and sad.

(c) What made him feel so?

Ans. Ali felt very sad because the postmaster had behaved rudely with him.

(d) Why was Ali repeatedly looking back at the post office?

Ans. Ali was repeatedly looking back at the post office because he realised that this was his last visit there, as he understood that he would die soon. He looked back repeatedly in the hope that somebody would call him back and give him a letter from his daughter.

Short Answer Type Questions

Answer the following questions in 30-40 words.

1. How does the author describe the early morning in the story?

Ans. The author describes the early morning in a very beautiful manner. We are told that it was the time of dawn (sunrise/early morning) and the stars could still be seen in the sky. It was winter season and a cold wind was blowing. A deathly silence spread all around, which was occasionally broken by some normal sounds for this time of the morning.

2. How does the author describe the place near the post office?

Ans. The author describes the place in an impressive way. The trees stood in a line on one side of the road and on the other side was the public garden of that town. At the end of the garden, there was a building in the newest style. It was the post office.

3. Ali, in the story 'The Letter', is a lonely man. How does the author bring out his loneliness?

Ans. Being a devoted father, Ali got up at 4 am every day and went to the post office in the hope of getting a letter from his daughter who lived in Punjab after her marriage with a soldier. Thus, he was a lonely man without any companion. Further, Ali gave up hunting and did not engage himself in any other activity either.

4. The post office became a place of pilgrimage for Ali. How?

Ans. Ali was suffering from the pain of separation from his daughter who had gone away after marriage. He was so anxious (worried) about her well-being that he would visit the post office every day, expecting a letter from her. Thus, the post office became a place of pilgrimage for the old man.

5. "Mad men are strange people", the postmaster said. Comment.

Ans. The postmaster was told by a clerk that the old man was mad because he came to the post office every day for the past five years without bothering about the weather. Thus, the postmaster made this comment without realising why the 'mad man', i.e. Ali, had been coming the post office every day.

6. "The haughty temper of the official had quite left him in his sorrow and anxiety, and had laid bare his human heart." In the lesson 'The Letter', who is the official referred to? Give an example of his haughty behaviour.

Ans. The official referred to is the postmaster. When Ali asked him about the letter from his daughter for the last time, the postmaster became angry and started shouting at him. He called Ali 'a pest' and 'a man with no sense' showing his haughty behaviour.

7. What is your impression of the postman and the postmaster in the story, 'The Letter'?

Ans. The postman as well as the postmaster were very rude towards Ali. The postman used to ridicule him and called him mad. They were insensitive and cruel. The postmaster was haughty, arrogant and emotionless. He was ill-tempered and called Ali 'a pest'.

8. Why was Ali impatient when he visited the post office after many days?

Or Why did Ali not come to the post office for several days? Why was he impatient when he finally returned to the post office?

Ans. It had been Ali's regular routine for the past five years visit the post office, as he hoped to receive a letter from his daughter. However, his bad health interrupted this routine. He had realised that his life was close to its end Hence, he became impatient to know about his daughter's letter.

9. Ali's patience was exhausted. Why?

Ans. Ali had been showing his patience by waiting for his daughter's letter. Every morning, for the past five years he had been regularly visiting the post office and enquiring for Miriam's letter. His patience was now giving way because he could foresee his approaching death.

10. What request did Ali make to Lakshmi Das? Or What was Ali's request to the clerk?

Ans. Ali requested Lakshmi Das to deliver his daughter's letter to him whenever it came. For this, Ali gave five gold coins to the clerk. When the clerk asked him where he was to deliver the letter, the old man told him to leave the letter at his grave as he realised that he would die soon.

11. What made the postmaster understand Ali's pain later on in the story 'The Letter'?

Ans. The postmaster understood Ali's pain when he himself faced a similar situation that Ali had been facing for the past five years. The postmaster's daughter was ill and he had no news of her. Just like Ali, he also had to wait for the letter from his daughter informing about her health and wellbeing.

12. How did the postmaster become a changed man?

Or What brings about a change in the postmaster?

Ans. At first, the postmaster was a man devoid of compassion (kindness). However, one day, he faced the same situation that Ali had faced for five years. Now, he realised Ali's painful mental situation. As a result, the postmaster grew remorseful and became a changed man.

13. Why was the postmaster so keen to deliver the letter to Ali himself?

Ans. The postmaster was very worried all night as he did not receive any news about his ill daughter. This made him understand Ali's agony (pain). Afflicted with regret, he scolded himself for his insensitivity. His own worry and anxiety made him identify himself with Ali. So, he decided to deliver the letter to Coachman Ali personally.

14. What is the importance of 'The Letter' in the story?

Or What is the role of 'The Letter' in the story by Dhumaketu?

Ans. For five years, Ali waited for "The Letter" from his daughter. The postmaster understood Ali's feelings only after he found himself in a similar situation. He realised the essential human worth of 'A letter'. Hence, 'A letter' plays a very important role in the story.

15. "All is a true example of love, faith and sacrifice." Elaborate,

Ans. It is true that Ali is a true symbol of faith, love and sacrifice. Owing entirely to his deep love for his daughter, Ali gave up his passionate sport, hunting, and accepted the life of an ascetic but he had firm faith

in providence. He thought that his daughter would write to him one day asking his wellbeing and telling her own. For this, he went to the post office every day braving biting cold and scorching heat.

16. Why did Ali give five gold guineas to Lakshmi Das?

Ans: Ali gave five gold guineas to ensure Mariam's letter reached him.

17. What lesson does the story teach about empathy?

Ans: We should understand others' feelings before judging them.

Long Answer Type Questions

Answer the following questions in 150 words.

1. "But when the evening of his life was drawing in, he left his old ways and suddenly took a turn." What was the change in Ali's nature towards the end of his life? What was the reason for this transformation? What values do we learn from his story?

Ans. Ali was a clever hunter in his youth. He killed many birds and animals, and left their families bereft of their loved ones. However, when his daughter, Miriam, got married and went far away from him, he too suffered the pangs (pain) of separation. He realised that it was really difficult to live without our near and dear ones. He gave up hunting. His heart was completely changed after the separation from his only child.

He understood the real meaning of love and the acute pain of separation. He could not bear this pain and even cried. He became lonely and his journey to the post office began. The story teaches us that everyone in this world needs to love and be loved, but everyone has to bear the grief (pain) of separation from the loved ones.

2. Do you think Ali's misery is a result of his past deeds? Give reasons to justify your answer.

Ans. Ali had been a clever and skilled hunter in his youth, and he never cared to think of the pain he caused to the birds and animals he hunted, or to the young ones who were orphaned. However, after Ali's daughter went away from him, he realised the true meaning of love and separation. This made him give up hunting. Ali's present misery, that he suffers from the pangs (pain) of separation from his daughter Miriam, can be seen as a result of his past deeds. He has to pay a really heavy price for the cruelty he so enjoyed in the past. However, this turns out to be too harsh a punishment for the old man. He had already realised his mistake and had given up the cruel sport. In my opinion, this suffering is too much for him in his old age.

3. One feels other's pain only when one goes through it oneself. Explain the postmaster's change of heart in the chapter 'The Letter' and why it took place.

Or You can feel others pain only when you go through it yourself. Validate this statement with reference to the story 'The Letter' and why it took place?

Ans. At the beginning of the story, the postmaster appeared to be a haughty, high-headed and ill-tempered official. His behaviour towards Ali, when the latter asked him if he had a letter from his daughter, was quite rude.

Once the postmaster's daughter fell ill in another town, he anxiously awaited news from her. It was at this point that his suffering father's heart realised the pain of separation in Ali's heart for Miriam. He was no longer a haughty official but a loving father, full of respect for Ali's feelings. Thus, it was only when the postmaster himself underwent a similar experience that he was able to feel Ali's pain. We should, thus, be good to others and never treat anyone harshly.

4. Lakshmi Das, the clerk, to whom Ali had given the money, writes a diary entry regretting his misbehaviour with Ali when he pestered him. Imagine you are Lakshmi Das and make the diary entry. Also mention what Lakshmi Das learned from his mistake.

Ans. Monday, 17th December, 20XX

10 p.m.

Dear Diary,

Today, I have realised that we must not misbehave with anybody for any reason.

Ali loved his daughter and waited for her letter for a long time. He was suffering from loneliness and I should have understood his situation.

The postmaster insulted him and others used to make fun of him. Ali knew that he would not live long and so he offered me five gold coins as he wanted me to place his daughter's letter on his grave.

The poor soul died waiting for the letter. I regret not being compassionate enough towards him. It taught me a great lesson that what goes around comes around. We must not treat anyone harshly, otherwise others may also treat us harshly. I pray to God to forgive me for my rude behaviour towards Ali.

Lakshmi

5. Both the stories 'Two Gentlemen of Verona' and 'The Letter' teach us not to lose hope and courage even in adverse situations. Write a letter to a friend justifying the statement with reference to the stories.

Ans:

15, Shastri Colony

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10th March, 20XX

Dear Pratiksha,

How are you? I'm good too. Your previous letter about feeling sad about not achieving good scores in Science competition got me thinking. I believe that we shouldn't give up and be upset because of failure and difficult conditions but we should be brave and courageous. I learned this lesson when I read two

stories 'Two Gentlemen of Verona' and 'The Letter'. In the first story, two brothers, Nicola and Jacopo, perform many odd jobs to earn money for their sister's treatment. Even after losing their parents and their home, they do not give up and work hard so that they can help their sister get better.

'The Letter' is another story with the same message where an old man visits a post office regularly for five years in hopes that he would receive his daughter's letter addressed to him. He goes early in the morning daily just because he didn't want to miss the chance of hearing from his daughter.

So, I suggest you read these stories because they'll inspire you to work harder and not be sad about failed attempts.

Yours affectionately

Prachi

6. Love and pain are two emotions which can transform people. Write an article in around 150 words about the values you have learnt from Ali (The Letter) and Nicola and Jacopo from 'Two Gentlemen of Verona'.

Ans.

Love and Pain-Keys to Transformation

By _____

Life is an intricate tapestry woven from myriad emotions, experiences, and relationships. Among the most profound of these are love and pain, two forces that, while seemingly opposing, often intertwine to shape, transform, and elevate the human experience. Individually, love can be a source of joy and fulfilment while pain can lead to suffering and despair. However, when these two forces merge, they have the remarkable ability to transform people in profound and lasting ways.

We can find two instances of this transformative power in the stories 'Two Gentlemen of Verona' and 'The Letter'. In 'Two Gentlemen of Verona', the two boys Nicola and Jacopo enter the world of war against Germans who destroyed their families. However, they undergo a change when they found that their sister was ill. Hence, they decided to work hard to make sure that their sister was treated.

In 'The Letter', this is true for the postmaster who had initially been rude and angry at Ali. However, when he faced a situation similar to that of Ali, he realised his mistake. He transformed into a man who sympathized with Ali.

Thus, love and pain are intertwined forces that have the power to transform individuals in profound ways.

7. How does the story portray the emotional bond between parents and children?

Ans: The story beautifully portrays the deep and unconditional love between parents and children through the character of Ali. Even after Mariam's marriage and departure, Ali never stopped loving or thinking about her. He visited the post office every day for five years, hoping to receive just one letter from her. His patience, faith, and unwavering hope reflect the strength of a parent's love. Although Mariam does not appear in the story, her absence becomes the cause of Ali's emotional suffering. The story shows that parents continue to care deeply for their children regardless of distance or time. Through Ali's devotion, Dhumaketu highlights the sacrifices, affection, and enduring emotional bond shared between parents and their children

8. "Waiting teaches patience and compassion." Discuss this statement with reference to the story.

Ans: The story strongly supports the idea that waiting teaches patience and compassion. Ali waited every day for five years for a letter from his daughter without losing hope. His long wait made him humble, patient, and emotionally mature. Later, the postmaster also experienced the anxiety of waiting for news about his own daughter. This personal experience helped him understand Ali's pain and changed his attitude from indifference to kindness. Thus, waiting became a lesson in empathy for both characters. Dhumaketu suggests that people often understand another person's suffering only after facing similar hardships themselves. The story teaches that patience, hope, and compassion are essential qualities that develop through life's difficult experiences.

Assertion and Reasoning:

Choose the correct answer:

- A. Both Assertion and Reason are true, and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
- B. Both Assertion and Reason are true, but Reason is not the correct explanation.
- C. Assertion is true, but Reason is false.
- D. Assertion is false, but Reason is true.

1.Assertion: Ali visited the post office every day.

Reason: He hoped to receive a letter from Mariam.

Answer: A

2.Assertion: The post office employees respected Ali from the beginning.

Reason: They understood his emotional pain.

Answer: D

3.Assertion: The postmaster became sympathetic towards Ali.

Reason: He experienced the pain of waiting for news about his own daughter.

Answer: A

4.Assertion: The letter symbolizes hope and human emotions.

Reason: Every letter carries someone's feelings and expectations.

Answer: A

5.Assertion: Ali valued money more than his daughter's letter.

Reason: He gave Lakshmi Das five gold guineas to deliver the letter.

Answer: D

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