



INDIAN SCHOOL DARSAIT

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



Subject : English

Topic : **The Summer of the Beautiful White Horse**

Worksheet .No : 3

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	Marks
<u>Short answer questions 30-40 words each</u>	
1. Who were Aram and Mourad? Aram and Mourad were cousins. Aram was nine years old while Mourad was thirteen. Both of them were fond of horse riding. They belonged to the Garoghlanian tribe of Armenians.	3
2. How does the narrator describe the Garoghlanian family? The Garoghlanian family had the reputation for honesty that has been maintained by its family members for hundreds of years. Everyone trusted them. They took pride in the fact that they were honest inspite of their poverty.	3
3. How did Aram justify Mourad’s action of riding a stolen horse? Aram too was very crazy about horse riding. But riding a stolen horse both delighted and frightened him. He justified Mourad’s action saying that taking out a horse just for a joy-ride could not be called stealing until they offered to sell it.	3
4. Who was the real owner of the horse? How did Aram come to know about him? John Byro was the real owner of the white horse. He was a farmer. On a visit to Aram’s house he complained of his loss to uncle Khosrove. This assured Aram that the horse had been stolen by Mourad.	3
5. In what respect did Mourad and Aram differ from each other? Mourad and Aram were cousins belonging to Garoghlanian family. Both had a common craze for horse riding. But Aram was more honest and straightforward than his cousin. Mourad had a streak of craziness. He could tell lies. He was boastful while Aram was simple-hearted.	3
6. Who was uncle Khosrove? What were some of the notable traits of his character? Uncle Khosrove was widely known to be crazy. He was short-tempered and impatient as well. He stopped others from talking by shouting at them. His stock saying was: ‘It is no harm, pay no attention to it’. Mourad had got that craziness from uncle Khosrove.	3
<u>Long answer question 100-120 words.</u>	
1. How did the two boys use the stolen horse and what made them return the horse to its owner? ‘The Summer of the Beautiful White Horse’ is a simple and interesting story about a stealing of a horse by two Armenian boys Mourad and Aram, and later how they returned it to its rightful owner. Mourad had a passion for horse riding and it made him steal a beautiful white horse. Actually, the poverty of the tribe forced them to fulfil their desire for riding by stealing the horse. Both the boys justified that stealing a horse for fun and riding was not the same as stealing and selling it for money. They enjoyed riding the horse early every morning and hid it in the barn of a deserted vineyard. The boys belonged to the Garoghlanian family which was known for its integrity	6

and honesty. One day when the boys met John Byro, true owner of the horse and heard his confidence in the honesty of their family, the boys became conscience-stricken. Soon the pride and honesty which they inherited from their tribe overpowered their childish pranks and they realized that what they did was wrong as this could bring disgrace to their family. Thus conscience-stricken, they eventually returned the horse to its rightful owner.

Practice questions

1. Why did Aram run to his cousin's house soon after Byro was gone? (30-40 words) 3
2. What change did John Byro notice in his horse after it was returned to him? (30-40 words) 3
3. The narrator's uncle Khosrove was known to be a crazy fellow. Give a few instances of his craziness.(100-120 words) 6