

### SUMMARY OF THIS STORY

A rich merchant once lost his purse at the market place. A poor woman found the purse and she saw that it had a hundred gold coins. Just as she was wondering whose purse it was she heard a shout by the merchant, 'I will give a reward to anyone who finds my purse'. The old woman gave the purse to the man who shouted the reward. She asked 'Will you give my reward?' As the merchant was greedily counting his gold coins he said 'My purse had two hundred old coins and you have already stolen more than the reward. Go away!' The poor woman said, 'I will go to queen's palace and ask for help.' The queen called the merchant and listened both sides of the story. Then the queen said, 'I believe both of you but this purse that the woman had found has only a hundred pieces, so it cannot be the merchant's purse.' Then the queen gave the purse with the hundred gold coins to the honest woman. The merchant had nothing to say. He knew that this was his punishment for being greedy.

### WORD MEANING

merchant - a man who sells things

wondering- thinking

greedily - in a way that shows someone wants more and more

honest - a person who tells the truth

palace - a very large house where a king or queen lives

dishonest - a person who always tells lies

### QUESTION AND ANSWERS

1) What do you think the word reward means?

Ans) The word reward means some kind of payment or gift that is given in return for something good that has been done.

2) Did the old woman get her reward?

Ans) No, she didn't get her reward.

3) Why did the queen listen to the old woman and the merchant?

Ans) The queen listened to the old woman and the merchant because she was a kind hearted woman ready to help anyone in her kingdom.

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- a) marketplace
- b) purse. a hundred gold coins
- c) reward
- d) queen's

2) REFERENCE TO THE CONTEXT (only answers)

- a) The old woman gave the purse to the merchant as it was his purse. He was searching for it and announcing reward also.
- b) The old woman wanted her reward which the merchant was shouting when he lost his purse.
- c) The merchant was greedy and selfish.

READ, REFLECT AND WRITE

- 3) The merchant tried to cheat the old woman by saying that there were two hundred gold coins in his purse but the woman was returning only a hundred coins.
- 4) At the end of the story the merchant lost all his money due to his greed.
- 5) This tells us that the queen was a kind hearted woman and ready to help anyone in her kingdom.
- 6) write by yourself.

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NOTE: Read the chapter 3-4 times, learn the spellings, word meanings and after that learn the question answers. Write everything in your copy.

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