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**SUBJECT:-ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE**

**CLASS-IX**

**MOMENTS (Supplementary Reader)**

**The Lost Child**

Dear Students

This E lesson caters to the first chapter of the book MOMENTS (Supplementary Reader). Before you go through it, ensure you have read the story thoroughly from the link shared in this E lesson and also complete the graphic organiser. A brief introduction has been given for your better understanding.

### **ABOUT THE STORY**



**It is a short story of a child, his aspirations, demands and realisation. The child was taken to the fair by his parents. He was attracted to almost all the things that he came across like balloons,**

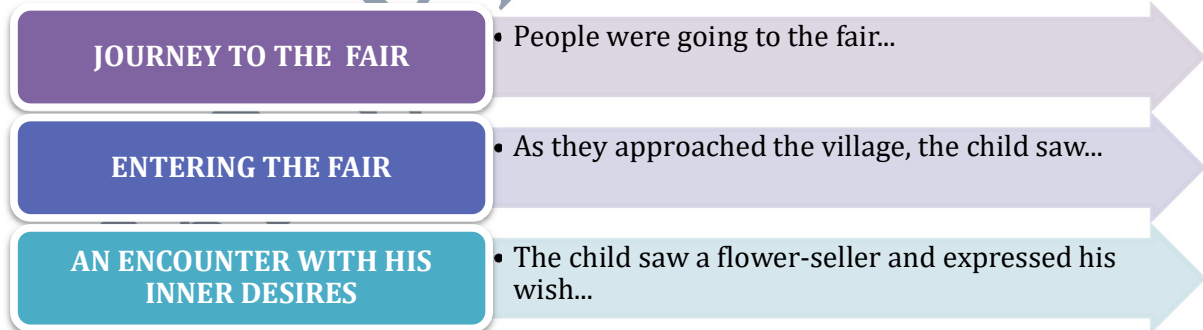
merry-go round, toys and eatables. He asked for these things from his parents. They had no desire to purchase things for the child. The crowd was thick and the parents tried to move through it holding the hand of the child. At one point, the child got lost in the fair and started crying asking for his father and mother.

A kind person picked up the child and tried to console him. The person offered him balloons and other things which he wanted earlier. But the child didn't want anything and kept crying and saying "I want my father, I want my mother".

## GRAPHIC ORGANISER

Read the story from the link

<http://ncert.nic.in/textbook/textbook.htm?emo1=1-10> and complete the graphic organiser given below:



**LOSING THE COMPANY OF HIS PARENTS**

• At last, he came across a roundabout...

**A STRANGER FINDING THE CHILD**

• The child entered an overly crowded shrine...

**EFFORTS TO CALM DOWN THE CHILD**

• The man took the child to the roundabout and asked him...

## **QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION**

### **Short Answer Type Questions (30-40 words)**

- Q1. Explain how the child got lost in the fair.  
Q2. Describe the scene when the child entered the grove.

### **Long Answer Type Questions (100-150 words)**

- Q1. Write a character sketch of the child.  
Q2. Discuss the values of humanity reflected through the character of the kind man who saved the child.  
Q3. Enlist the things the child asked his parents to buy for him.  
Q4. Justify the title 'The Lost Child'.

## **VOCABULARY CHECK**

### **Suggest synonyms of the following words:**

1. Bold
2. Overwhelm
3. Tyrant
4. Cautionary
5. Surge

### **Give meanings of the words given below:**

1. Trample
2. Jostled
3. Receding
4. Convulsed
5. Heeded