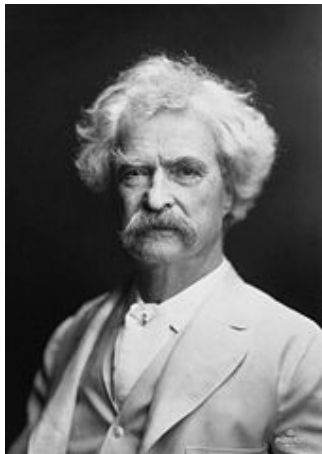


CLASS VII– ENGLISH
Of Magic Lamps and Genies
-Mark Twain



Portrait of Mark Twain

Week: 9th –13th November 2020

Blocks – 3

Dear Student

- This lesson is based on the topic ‘Of Magic Lamps and Genies’ from New Images.
- Read the PDF of the lesson attached.
- Mark the vocabulary words in the lesson and find out their meanings using a dictionary.
- Mark the answers of the back exercise questions in the book itself. (Pg no.5)
- The Assignment exercise and the Vocabulary Enhancement Exercise must be attempted in the English fair notebook.
- Pick out the errors in the given passage and write the correct word.
- Do not forget to write the questions as well.



Subtopics

- Theme and Title.
- First person narration.
- Character sketch of Tom.
- Reflect upon the title, 'Of Magic Lamps and Genies'
- Error correction.
- Vocabulary words.
- Pronunciation drill.

Instructional Aids

- Microsoft Word to be used as a white board (screen sharing).
- Flow chart to summarize the lesson.

Learning Outcomes

Each learner will be able to:

- Summarize the chapter briefly.
- Analyse the character of Tom as a liar.
- Pick out the error and write the correct word.
- Pronounce the given words correctly

Activity

1. **Brainstorming:** To ask the students to recall about the childhood games they used to play.
 - While reading, the learners shall underline vocabulary words and deduce their meanings in the given context.
2. **Brief Discussion** – A discussion to be held on how they would react if they encountered a genie.

Lesson Development

BLOCK - I

I. ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Mark Twain (1835-1910) was an American writer. He is often referred to as the father of American literature. His real name was Samuel Clemens. He was born in Florida. He is also known as the master of satires. He was the celebrated author of several novels, including two major classics of American literature: *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer and Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*.

II. INTRODUCTION:

The story 'Of Magic Lamps and Genies' is written by Mark Twain. It is an extract adapted from Mark Twain's masterpiece, *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. This novel shows the adventures of Huck and Tom Sawyer.

In the story 'Of Magic Lamps and Genies', Tom and his friends played a game in which they pretended to be robbers. Once, Tom pretended that a caravan of Arabs and Spaniards was going to camp nearby with hundreds of camels and elephants. It turned out to be a Sunday-school picnic, although Tom explained that it really was a caravan of Arabs and Spaniards. The raid on the picnic got the boys only a few doughnuts and jam but a far amount of trouble. After testing another of Tom's theories by rubbing old lamps and rings but failing to summon a genie, Huck concluded that most of Tom's stories have been 'lies'.

II. SUMMARY

- Huckleberry Finn is the narrator of the story.
- Huck and his friends pretended to be robbers.
- They hopped out of the woods and went charging down on drivers and women in carts who were taking garden stuff to market.
- Tom, Huck's friend called the turnips 'jewellery' and corns 'gold bricks'.
- They (Huck and his friends) went to a cave after their loot and talked about their bravery.

- Tom sent one of his friends around the town with a blazing stick.
- The blazing stick was an indication for the gang to get together.
- Tom disclosed the secret news about a whole parcel of Spanish merchants and rich Arabs camping in Cave Hollow, the next day. He also said that they had two hundred elephants, six hundred camels and over a thousand mules
- He (Tom) told his teammates about the diamonds and four hundred soldiers as guards to the Arabs.
- Huck and Tom decided to attack the lot and pick up their things.

- Huck was not very sure about the success of their plan but his urge to see the Camels and elephants made him join the group.
- On receiving the signal they rushed out of their hiding but found a Sunday-school picnic of primary class, instead of Spaniards and Arabs.
- Huck and his friends busted the Sunday-school picnic up.
- They chased the children up the hollow, but they never got anything except some doughnuts and jam.
- Ben Rogers got a rag doll, and Joe Harper got a hymn book and a tract.
- The teacher charged in and made them drop everything and run.



- Huck was greatly disappointed on not finding diamonds.
- Tom told Huck that it was done by enchantment. He also said if Huck weren't so ignorant and had read a book called Don Quixote, he would have known why he couldn't see any of those things.
- Tom told Huck that their enemies, the magicians had turned everything into an infant Sunday-school.
- Huck suggested looking for a magician but the idea was put down by Tom as the magicians would call upon a lot of genies who would cut him into small pieces.
- Huck suggested taking help from the genies but didn't know how to get them.
- Huck got an old tin lamp as he was told by Tom that the magicians rubbed old Tin lamps to bring the genies out of them and the genies had to obey their orders as they were their masters.
- Huck got an old Tin lamp and an iron ring and rubbed for long but it was of no use.
- Huck, finally discovered that Tom Sawyer had fooled him and that he was a liar

BLOCK – 2

Learning Outcomes

Each learner will be able to:

- **Recall and share the incident of 'gold bricks' and 'jewellery'.**
- **Attempt the following questions.**

Q1: Reference to the context

- a. He said we must slick up our swords. I was a numskull.
 - i. Why do you think Tom wanted all swords and guns to be read?
 - ii. Did Tom and his gang get anything from the raid?
 - iii. What had the magicians done?
- b. 'Why?' said he...or any other man
 - i. Who could the magicians call?
 - ii. Who according to Huck Finn could help them?
- c. 'How you talk... just one of Tom Sawyer's lies.'
 - i. What would Huck Finn have to do whether he wanted to or not?
 - ii. What happened when Huck Finn rubbed an old tin lamp?
 - iii. What did Huck do to see if Tom was telling the truth? What did he find?

Q2. Mark these sentences as True (T) or False (F). Re-write the false statement with reasons.

1. Tom Sawyer called the turnips 'gold bricks' and corns jewellery.
2. Spanish merchants and rich Arabs were going to camp in Cave Hollow
3. Ben Rogers got a rag doll and Joe Harper got a hymn book.
4. Tom said Huck Finn should have read the book called David Copperfield.
5. Genies would build a palace wherever a person wanted.
6. Huck Finn would make a man climb the highest mountain.
7. Tom Sawyer is a proficient liar.

Q3. Tom Sawyer is a proficient liar. Justify the statement citing an example from the lesson 'Of Magic Lamps and Genies?'

BLOCK – 3

Learning Outcome:

Each learner will be able to:

- ❖ Pick out the error in the given passages and write the correct word.
- ❖ Pronounce the given words correctly and confidently.

ERROR CORRECTION

The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and the correction in the given space provided:

I.

	Error	Correction
I has just lost five hundred rupees and	a) _____	_____
I was upset. "I had leave the money in my desk",	b) _____	_____
I said. The manager is very	c) _____	_____
Sympathetic but he can do nothing.	d) _____	_____

II.

	Error	
Correction		
Flowers transform into fruits at a process	a) _____	_____
called fertilization. Although that process	b) _____	_____
is very similar in all this plants, the presence	c) _____	_____
off reproductive organs in flowers and the	d) _____	_____
pollination process may vary.	X	X

VOCABULARY ENHANCEMENT EXERCISE

III. List of words which are often mispronounced:

1. Archive
2. Debris
3. Forte
4. Gauge
5. Mayonnaise
6. Quay
7. Colonel
8. Itinerary
9. Mortgage
10. Hymn.

Pronunciation Drill

GLORY BE TO GOD

The earthquake rattled for a few seconds and a great Tsunami shook the ocean and a huge tidal wave roared towards the coastline. Many of the houses which were within tidal limits and furnished with quays and jetties were swept away. The entire house came like a pack of cards. Colonel Bob with his laptop was buried under the debris for several hours. He recalled the last evening, when he visited the church to attend the wedding of his nephew and the grand buffet of his favourite pizzas topped with mayonnaise and ham. He was glad he had preserved his old documents of mortgage of his ancestral house in an archive in the laptop. He sang a hymn of thanksgiving to the Lord as singing was his forte and a medium to vent his emotions of gratitude and wonder of surviving amidst death and destruction all around. He also made an itinerary of all his existing documents to gauge his share of the property.

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