

First Bell 2.0 Help

Std. 10 Episode - 11

Activity 1

Read the last part of the story The Snake and the Mirror and answer the following questions.

1. I was suddenly a man of flesh and blood. What did the doctor mean by this statement?
2. Why did the listeners heave a sigh of relief?
3. Who did the doctor marry?
4. What did the doctor do as soon as he reached his friend's house?
5. What was the final insult for the doctor?

Activity 2

Do the Activity 1 on Page No. 28 of the Textbook.

Let's revisit	
Activity 1	
Pick out sentences from the story 'The Snake and the Mirror' and complete the table below. These sentences tell you about the condition of the narrator. Some hints are given.	
was afraid of the snake	was proud of his appearance
I was turned to a stone.	I looked into the mirror and smiled.

Activity 3

The doctor in the story 'The Snake and the Mirror' reaches his friend's house at night and narrates his experience. Write the likely narrative.

Answer Key

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Activity 1

1. The doctor meant that he regained his presence of mind and was free to move.
2. They understood that the doctor was out of danger.
3. The doctor married a thin reedy woman with the gift of a sprinter.
4. The doctor smeared oil over himself, took a bath and changed into fresh clothes.
5. The thief had left behind the doctor's dirty vest

Activity 2

Was afraid of the snake	Was proud of his appearance
I didn't jump. I didn't tremble. I didn't cry out. There was no time to do any such a thing.	In those days I was a great admirer of beauty and I believed in making myself look handsome.
I sat there holding my breath. In the light of the lamp I sat there like a stone image in the flesh.	I felt I had to make my presence felt. I picked up the comb and ran it through my hair and adjusted the parting so that it looked straight and neat.
I felt then the great presence of the Creator of this world and this universe.	I would shave daily and grow a thin moustache to look more handsome.
At my slightest movement the snake would strike me! Death lurked four inches away.	I would always keep that attractive smile on my face to look more handsome.

Activity 3

Oh my friend.....

It was a narrow escape. I can't even think of those horrible moments. I really felt the presence of the creator of the universe.

I was in my room after having food. I just sat on a chair and looked into the mirror. Suddenly there was a thud as if a rubber tube had fallen to the ground. A huge cobra coiled around my left arm. It spread out its hood. Even if I moved a little, the snake would bite me. I was really turned to a stone. Then the snake happened to look into the mirror and saw its reflection. The snake slowly unwound from my arm and moved towards the mirror. Then I ran for my life.....