

Animals Birds and Dr Dolittle

Question Answer – Let us discuss (Pages 49-50)

I. What became a common sight in Puddleby after Doctor Dolittle started treating animals?

1. Humans talking to farm animals
2. Farm animals wearing glasses
3. Farm animals learning bird language
4. Birds riding atop farm animals

Answer:

2. Farm animals wearing glasses.

II. What challenges do you think Doctor Dolittle might face if more and more animals come to him for help?

Answer:

Dr. Dolittle would definitely face many challenges if more animals come to him. First, he may have to spend more time checking each animal. He has to learn many more languages to cure the patients. He may also face space problems for their treatment.

Question 1.

How might he overcome these challenges to ensure that he provides good treatment?

Answer:

He can overcome challenges by keeping more doctors and teaching them the animals' languages. He has to build a hospital with all the equipment and machines for checkups. He has to fix a timetable for different animals.

III. Arrange the following events in correct order according to the story. Two have been done for you. Share your answers with your classmates and the teacher.

1. Doctor Dolittle decides to stop being a doctor for people and becomes a doctor for animals.	
2. Animals from near and far come to Doctor Dolittle for help, crowding his garden.	
3. A man with a stomach-ache visits Doctor Dolittle and suggests he should treat animals instead of people.	(i)
4. Polynesia teaches Doctor Dolittle animal languages, and he starts understanding and communicating with animals.	
5. A plough horse with vision problems visits Doctor Dolittle, who prescribes green spectacles, to improve the horse's eyesight.	
6. The parrot, Polynesia, encourages Doctor Dolittle to become an animal doctor, revealing that animals can talk.	(ii)
7. Doctor Dolittle installs special doors for different animals to enter his house for treatment.	
8. Doctor Dolittle's ability to communicate with animals helps him diagnose and treat their illnesses effectively.	
9. Doctor Dolittle gains fame among animals worldwide, and they come to him from various places for his help.	
10. Word spreads, and people start bringing their sick pets and farm animals to Doctor Dolittle for treatment.	

Answer:

- (iv)
- (viii)
- (i)
- (iii)
- (vi)
- (ii)
- (ix)
- (vii)
- (x)
- (v)

Animals Birds and Dr Dolittle Class 7 Questions and Answers –

Let us think and reflect (Pages 50-52)

I. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow.

Question 1.

“If I say, ‘Polly wants a cracker’, you understand me. But hear this: Ka-ka oi-ee, fee-fee?”

“Good Gracious!” cried the Doctor. “What does that mean?” “That means, ‘Is the porridge hot yet?’—in bird language.”

“My! You don’t say so!” said the Doctor. “You never talked that way to me before.”

“What would have been the good?” said Polynesia, dusting some cracker crumbs off her left wing. “You wouldn’t have understood me if I had.”

(i) Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option.

In the line, “Good Gracious!” cried the Doctor, the expression ‘Good Gracious’ can be replaced by _____!

- A. bravo
- B. gosh
- C. alas
- D. hurray

Answer:

B. gosh

(ii) Why had Polynesia never used bird language with the Doctor earlier?

Answer:

Polynesia had never used bird language with the Doctor, as she knew the Doct would not understand her language

(iii) Identify whether the following statement is true or false.

Polynesia had been munching on a food item while talking to Doctor Dolittle.

Answer:

False

(iv) How did Doctor Dolittle feel accordi: to the extract?

- A. anxious
- B. surprised
- C. angry
- D. relaxed

Answer:

B. surprised

Question 2.

“I would like a pair like your: said the horse—“only green. They keep the Sun out of my eyes while I ploughing the field.”

“Certainly,” sa the Doctor. “Green ones you shall have”

“You know, the trouble is, Sir,” said the plough horse as the Doctor opened the front door to let him out—“the trouble is that anybody thinks he can doctor animals—just because the animals don’t complain. As a matter of fact, it takes a much cleverer man to be a really good animal doctor than it does to be a good people’s doctor.”

(i) Choose a word from the extract to complete the analogy.

digging: flower bed:: _____: field

Answer:

ploughing

(ii) Choose the correct word to complete the sentence.

Doctor Dolittle’s attitude in the extract is _____.

- A. respectful
- B. sentimental
- C. understanding
- D. careful

Answer:

C. understanding

(iii) Complete the sentence with an appropriate reason.

Based on the extract, we can conclude that doctors take animals for granted because

_____.

Answer:

they don't try to understand the animal's actual pain as they are unaware of their language. They give different medicines, few times, which do not cure the animals.

(iv) Do you agree with the concluding sentence of the extract?

Why/why not?

Answer:

Yes, I agree 'it takes a much cleverer man to be a really good animal doctor than it does to be a good people's doctor'. Only an intelligent and caring person like Dr. Dolittle can understand their language. Moreover, he had lots of love and attachment towards animals.