Unit 2 B Reading : The Dear Departed II

Opposites:

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| solid x liquid | pleasant x unpleasant |
| wrong x correct/ right | enough x insufficient |
| late x early | foolish x wise |
| push x pull | quiet x noisy |
| mourning x rejoicing | safe x unsafe |
| comfortable x uncomfortable | bought x sold |

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| NOUN | ADJECTIVE | ADVERB |
| promptness | prompt | promptly |
| devil | devilish | devilishly |
| relation | relative | relatively |
| delicacy | delicate | delicately |
| creation | creative | creatively |
| fancy | fanciful | fancifully |
| please | pleasant | pleasantly |
| presence | present | presently |
| surprise | surprising | surprisingly |
| evidence | evident | evidently |

Question and Answers:

1. Why does Mrs. Jordan ask Abel are you quite well?
2. Mrs. Jordan ask Abel he was quite well because she thought that he was dead.
3. Mrs. Jordan said to Mrs. Slater were ‘I don’t call that delicate stepping into a head man shoes in such case what does she means by this word?
4. She means that her sister pinched her father’s new slippers when she thought he had dead.
5. ‘And you too. Are you such poor creature that you must do every dirty thing she tells you. Who is he? ( )
6. Mr. Jordan B) Mr. Henry C) Mr. Abel D) Victoria
7. Why does Mrs. Jordan call the person a poor creature? ( )
8. because the person talks seriously
9. because the persons clothes are dirty
10. because the person has no individuality
11. because the person is poor
12. How did Mrs. Jordan reacted when Abel asked about shifting of the bureau and the clock?
13. Despite of her sister’s interruption Mrs. Jordan reveals the truth. She accused that her sister sneaked into Abel’s room and stole after he was dead.
14. What do you think about the sisters from the given text?
15. Both the sisters are greedy, mean, unscrupulous and selfish they are least bother about their father’s feelings.
16. What did Abel recollect?
17. The Abel recollected that the bureau was shifted to downstairs.
18. Why do you think Henry and Mrs. Slater are speechless?
19. Henry and Mrs. Slater are speechless when Abel asked them about bureau and clock.
20. Why does everyone look at the clock?
21. The clock on the mantel piece strikes six , so everyone looked at the clock.
22. Abel wants to go to lawyer\_\_\_\_\_ ( )
23. to change his will
24. to distribute his property between his daughters
25. to give his property to Amelia
26. to give his property to Elizabeth
27. Abel wants to go to Church -------- ( )
28. to pray B) to visit the Priest C) to look after the Church D) to get married
29. What are three things that the Abel plans to do on next Monday? What effect does have on his daughters?
30. On the following Monday Abel is going to change his will, to pay the insurance premium and he is going to marry. His daughters has to lost share in their father’s property.
31. Why does Mr. Abel decide to make a new will? How do the Slater’s and Jordan’s react?
32. Abel realizes that his daughters are not having affection, concern towards him. So he decided to make a new will. The Slater’s and the Jordan’s feel that he is out of senses.
33. Why does Mr. Abel not want to live with either of his daughters?
34. Both of his daughters started dividing his things when they thought he is dead. They don’t care him, they only want to own his things. So Abel don’t want to live with either of his daughters.
35. Where had been Abel living after his wife’s death?
36. Abel has been with his two daughters Amelia and Elizabeth after his wife’s death.
37. Why did Abel decide to get married at that age? Do you support his decision?
38. Abel want to get married because he don’t want to be with his daughters who are taking care of him just for his money. I don’t support his decision he can find another solution to treat his daughters greediness.
39. If you were one of the daughters of the Abel , how would you react?
40. If I was one of the daughters the Abel I would be shocked by his decision that he was getting married at this age.
41. How do you think bringing down the bureau helped Abel?
42. Bringing down the bureau helped him to carry the bureau out of the house easily.
43. Why did Abel feel that he was a bit burden for his daughters? Did his daughters make him feel so?
44. Abel felt that he was a burden to his daughters when he saw them fighting for a his insurance money. They actually made him to think that.
45. If you were Abel Merry weather , would you continue to live with the Slater’s?
46. No, If I was Abel Merry weather , I wouldn’t continue to live with Slater’s because was very greedy and mean minded and they want only property and not my well being.
47. In this play what is dear to whom and what departed with them?
48. In this play assets or property is dearer to Abel’s daughters but in the end they have to lose assets as their father is going to be married and he wants to change the will.
49. In what way is the play “The Dear Departed’ a commentary on the hollowness of human relationships ?
50. ‘The Dear Departed’ is packed with great irony and wit that makes a nonsense or comedy of all relationships that are most intense and pious. Both the families neglect their duties and responsibilities towards their father. As soon as they think he is dead, they started fighting over his assets. Mrs. Slater takes her father’s slippers and quickly replaces his bureau and clock. The Jordan’s who visit them are no better. The news about the death of their father leaves them unperturbed. They are more interested in having tea and discussing the obituary note. Mrs. Jordan also insists on making a list of her father’s assets so that they can divide it among themselves . The play therefore, vividly expresses the hollowness of human relationships.