



ENGLISH

2. THE THIEF'S STORY

Name: _____

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Read the following extracts carefully and answer the questions that follow:

1. "You look a bit of a wrestler yourself". I said A little flattery helps in making friends.
 - (a) Who was the speaker? Who was he trying to flatter?
 - (b) Why did the speaker want to be friends with the listener?
 - (c) Find the antonym of 'criticism' in the extract.
 - (d) What is the opposite of 'friends'?

2. Well, it's time I did some real work, I told myself; I'm out of practice.
 - (a) What 'real work' is the speaker talking about?
 - (b) Why does the speaker say 'I'm out of practice'?
 - (c) Give a synonym of 'practice'.
 - (d) What part of speech is the word 'real' in the extract?

Short Answer Type Questions

3. What did Anil and Hari agree upon to be the mode of payment?
4. What made Hari Singh go back to Anil's house?
5. Did Hari like working for Anil? Give reasons in support of your answer.
6. State the events that took place on the night of the theft.
7. Had Anil really forgiven Hari Singh? Support your answer with evidence.

Long Answer Type Questions:

8. Money can't make a man as much as education can. Elucidate the statement.

The statement stands true in almost all the aspects of life. Money may buy us all the luxuries and fulfil our needs but it cannot buy us knowledge, civilised thinking, skills and abilities to achieve our dreams. Education lays the platform for all to act upon our goals according to our abilities. Education enables us to keep up with the fast moving world. It opens the door to opportunities we do not know even exist. Money, on the other hand, can assist us to a certain level. It can buy us a plan but education gives us the knowledge of its execution. Just as in the story 'A Thief's Story', Hari Singh prioritised the chance of being literate over a few hundred rupees, we must understand that education can help us to achieve whatever we desire.