



SESSION : 2024-25
REVISION OF THE HAPPY PRINCE
AND

THE LAST LEAF

Q1. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN 30-40 WORDS:

- a) Why did the happy prince cry?
- b) How did the happy prince help the poor woman and her son?
- c) What did the swallow see when he flew over the city?
- d) What is Behrman's masterpiece? What makes Sue say so?
- e) What led to Behrman's unfortunate death?

Q 2. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN 100 – 120 WORDS:

- a) What does the story show about the true meaning of happiness?
- b) "A friend in need is a friend indeed." Do you think the story "The Last Leaf" supports "this statement? Explain with reference to Sue?

THE HAPPY PRINCE

Oscar Wilde

Value Points

- The Happy Prince in the story is a statue of a dead Prince decorated with gold leaves and precious stones.
- The Happy Prince feels sad because he is unable to help the people in misery.
- Happy Prince decides to help his subjects (people) with his gold leaves and precious sapphires and ruby.
- The little swallow acts as his messenger distributes all his wealth, sapphires, ruby.
- The little swallow was going to Egypt, happy Prince persuaded him to stop; Stay a night to help the poor.
- The little swallow could not go back and died due to cold. He lost his life in helping the poor.
- The swallow's death broke the Prince's heart.
- The Mayor and Town councillors pulled down the statue because it looked shabby.
- They melted the statue but could not melt the leaden heart.
- One day God asked one of his Angels to bring two precious things from earth. The Angel brought the leaden heart of happy Prince and the dead swallow.

ACTIVITY

A House is Not a Home

Value Points

- In the story 'A house is not a home' the author tells us to encounter the challenges and problems of our life boldly.
- After leaving his high school the author was sent to a new school and in that new school, the author felt isolated and sad.
- The house of the author caught fire and everything in the house was burnt.
- The author's mother had to borrow money from author's grand father.
- The author rented an apartment and used to go to his house, hoping that he would find his cat.
- His class mates in new school helped him in many ways as with text books and other usual things.
- Author's new neighbours helped him.
- After a few days a woman came to him with his cat.
- Now the author felt happy and regained a new life.

Zan gaudioso

- a) he saw the misery and suffering of the poor destitute in his city from his high pedestal.
 - b) The Happy Prince helped the poor woman and her son by asking the Swallow to take a ruby from his sword hilt to them, providing warmth and nourishment.
 - c) When the Swallow flew over the city, he saw scenes of wealth and opulence, contrasted with stark poverty and misery, making him realize the vast disparity.
 - d) Behrman's masterpiece was the painted leaf on the vine outside Johnsy's window, which Sue considered a masterpiece because it gave Johnsy hope and the will to live.
 - e) Behrman's unfortunate death was a result of pneumonia, which he contracted while painting the leaf in the cold, wet weather to save Johnsy's life.
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- a) The story "The Happy Prince" demonstrates that true happiness is found in selfless acts of kindness and compassion. The Prince, once oblivious to the suffering around him, finds true happiness only when he starts giving away his precious jewels to help the poor and needy. His sacrifices bring relief and joy to others, and in turn, he experiences genuine contentment. This underscores the idea that happiness is not derived from material wealth or physical comfort but from the positive impact one makes in the lives of others.
 - b) "The Last Leaf" strongly supports the statement "A friend in need is a friend indeed." Sue exemplifies true friendship through her unwavering support for Johnsy, who is gravely ill. Sue tirelessly cares for her, remains optimistic, and shields her from despair. Additionally, Behrman, an old artist, sacrifices his life to paint a realistic leaf on the wall to give Johnsy hope and the will to live. The story showcases the profound impact of genuine friendship and selfless acts, highlighting how true friends stand by each other in times of need, offering unwavering support and hope.