

The Ashes that made Trees Bloom

A. Read the extract given below and answer the following questions.

He sprinkled a pinch of ashes on it, and lot It sprouted blossoms until it became a cloud of pink blooms which perfumed the air. The news of this filled the village and everyone ran out to see the wonder. The covetous couple also heard the story and gathering up the ashes....

1. Who has been referred as 'he' in the above lines?
2. 'It' sprouted blossoms. What has been referred to as 'it' in the given lines?
3. In the given lines, what has been burnt down to form the ashes?
4. Find synonym of 'jealous' from the given lines.
 - (a) Pinch
 - (b) Blooms
 - (c) Sprinkled
 - (d) Envious
5. Find a word from the given lines that means 'flower'.
 - (a) Blossom
 - (b) Bloom
 - (c) Sprouted
 - (d) Sprinkled

B. Short Answer type questions:

1. How did the dog express his gratitude to his kind old master?
2. What consequences did the wicked old couple face after imitating the actions of the virtuous old couple?

C. Higher Order Thinking Questions:

1. How is the proverb, "as you sow, so shall you reap", reflected in the story?

Theory of Karma:

Karma is rooted in the belief that “what goes around comes around.” So, doing good things makes it more likely that good things will happen to you, while doing bad things makes it more likely that bad things will happen.