

Text Book Exercise Solved

OBJECTIVE

I. Choose the correct answers:

i. The bus was late due to

- (a) rush (b) storm (c) accident (d) change in schedule

ii. The girl was coming from

- (a) the party (b) tour (c) a hill station (d) a station

iii. The girl was afraid of

- (a) the policeman (b) a friend (c) a killer (d) a person

iv. She thought of reaching the house but

- (a) the car broke down (b) the brakes failed
(c) the car ran out of gas (d) the road was blocked

v. She saw the man dragging out of his car

- (a) the corps of a woman (b) a sack
(c) a statue (d) a dog

vi. Why did she circle round and round into the wood?

- (a) to escape from the killer (b) to reach a safe place
(c) to cheat a man (d) to save herself

vii. "You couldn't think of something that might give them a lead" means

- (a) to find a culprit (b) to find a treasure (c) to persecute (d) to get a clue

viii. She saw in the flash of lightning

- (a) a dog (b) a bus (c) a car (d) a man's face

ix. The difference in the age of two men is of

- (a) ten years (b) five years (c) two years (d) one year

x. If people were smart they wouldn't be out

- (a) on a day like this (b) on a holiday (c) on a tour (d) on a night like this

II. Mark the statements true/false.

1. The car ran out of gas about two miles from here. **True**
2. She was too frightened to tell the details of the incident. **True**
3. The Girl went to the police to report the matter. **False**
4. Second Man wanted to save himself from the storm. **True**
5. First Man wanted to go to town for business. **True**
6. They heard the hum of a motor in the distance. **True**
7. She could not remember the description of the killer. **True**
8. She bolted the door before the man came near. **True**

III. Answer the following questions.

Ans: Please go to Text book Exercise at the start.

IV. Answer the following questions in 100 - 150 words.

(a) Write down the story of the play in your own words.

Ans: When the play starts, we find a young girl running through the rain water. She is trying to save herself from a killer in a stormy night. After a long run, she succeeds in escaping the man behind her. She reaches at a bus station. She madly rushes into the bus station cabin. She finds a man inside there. She feels herself secured. Soon a second man comes and knocks at the door violently. The girl considers the second man the killer. She forbids the first man open the door. But at last, the first man has to open it. Both the men argue on different points. The bus reaches but no one of the two is ready to ride on it. After great hesitation, the second man leaves the bus station and rides on the bus. The girl looks comfortable. Soon the light goes out and the first man puts out a torch from the pocket of his coat. The girl recognizes her torch. She remembers that it is the same torch she has lost on her way to the bus station. She cries aloud. The first man tries to catch her but she rushes to the central door and opens it. Instantly, a dog comes from outside and forces the killer run away from the place.

(b) Have you had any experience of a similar situation? Write at least ten sentence.

Ans: Once, in my childhood, I went to a picnic point with some of my friends. We went there with a view to have fun and spend our leisure time by looking at the natural scenes. It was a rainy day when we reached that point. The clouds were thundering. We were three friends at that time. We parked our cycles along the bank of the canal and started swimming in the canal. Suddenly we heard the horn of a vehicle. We were astonished to see four sturdy men coming out of a car. They did not see us. They were lifting a suitcase. They looked all around and threw the suitcase into the canal and sped away in their car. We were horrified. But our adventurous nature invoked us to open the box. So we dragged the box to the bank of the canal. When we opened it, we were stunned as it was filled with currency notes, jewelry and costly items. We again heard the sound of a vehicle. We were horrified. This time it was a police mobile party. They approached us and took the box in their custody. We told them about the whole incident. The police informed us that the men were robbers and that they had looted a rich family in the city.

(c) Why did the Girl consider First Man her helper?

Ans: After a hard struggle, when the girl reached the bus station, she found a man reading a discarded newspaper inside the cabin. As she came there to save herself from the killer, she felt herself secured in the presence of a man. She accompanied the first man till the end of the play. When the second man entered the cabin, she was horrified and rushed into the arms of the first man. She did not trust the second man all the time she passed in the cabin. As the second man reached at the bus station later than the girl, she considered him the killer who had come there to kill her. Even in the end of the play when the bus reached, she preferred to stay with the first man. She felt herself safe in his company and let the second man ride the bus. But the exposition of the torch turned the tables and she came to the reality.

(d) What are the factors that played a role in saving the Girl?

Ans: When the second man leaves the bus station, the girl feels ease and happiness. She thinks that she has succeeded in getting rid of the killer. But she is unaware of the fact that she is in the custody of the killer. The fact reveals when the light of the bus station completely goes out. The girl cries in darkness. The first man picks his torch out and turns it on. The girl comes to know that it is her own torch that she has dropped while running through the rain water to save herself from the killer. The killer tries to get control over the girl to kill her but she rushes towards the center door leading outside. Instantly, a dog comes there and forces the killer to run out of the place. So break down of light, torch and the dog all play vital role in saving the girl.

(e) How did she realize the truth?

Ans: The play is full of suspense. Till the end of the play we are unable to recognize the killer. All the time we take the second man as a killer. The conditions and circumstances prove the second man the killer. The girl was sure that the second man was the man who was dragging a woman's dead body from his car. She was reluctant when the first man allowed the second man entered the bus station cabin in the stormy night. She even locked herself in the ladies cabin when the second man entered. She felt comfortable when the second man caught the bus. But later, the circumstances changed dramatically when she found her torch in the hands of the first man. She remembered that it was the same torch she had dropped while running from the killer. Then she realized the truth that it was the first man who was the killer and not the second man.

V. Punctuate the following lines.

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Unpunctuated	Punctuated
i want to get out of this storm what the hell do you think i want what s the idea of looking this door you think your own this place	I want to get out of this storm. What the hell do you think I want? What's the idea of looking this door you think your own this place.

VI. Fill in the blanks using a preposition given in bracket.

(to, down, along, of, over, in, with)

1. She sobs and rushes to the Man quickly.
2. He brings her down to the bench.
3. I could get the bus when it came along.
4. I run like crazy all over the road.
5. I'm sure you can answer most of them.
6. I saw somebody else when I looked in.
7. You'll never get over being afraid of things.
8. The dog jumps and seizes the Man with its sharp teeth.

