

5 ENGLISH LITERATURE

BLACK BEAUTY ASSIGNMENT 1 OF CHAPTER 10

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Difficult Words

1. pleasant
2. meadow
3. canter
4. whinnied
5. devoted
6. hedge
7. gallop
8. comfortable

Word Meanings

1. pleasant: enjoyable, nice
2. rushes: tall plants with grass-like leaves
3. ploughed: that which has been dug with a plough---farming tool
4. plantation: a large area of land that is planted with trees
5. whinnied: to neigh in a low gentle way
6. goodwill: friendly or helpful feelings about other people
7. lodging: a place to stay
8. gig: a small light carriage pulled by one horse
9. ploughboy: a boy who guides the animals drawing a plough

Reference to context

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3. The first place I can remember was a large, pleasant meadow with a pond of clear water in it. Some shady trees leaned over it, rushes and water lilies grew at the deep end.

Q a. Did Black Beauty like the meadow? How do we know?

A a. Yes, Black Beauty liked the meadow. In the story, we see that Black Beauty and the other colts enjoyed playing in the meadow and he called the meadow pleasant.

Q b. What could Black Beauty see from the meadow?

A b. Black Beauty could see the ploughed field on one side and his master's house on the other side.

Q c. What did Black Beauty do in the meadow?

A c. Black Beauty used to play with the other colts and he used to run with the older colts.

4. I have never forgotten my mother's advice. Our master was very fond of my mother because she was wise and good. Her name was Duchess, but our master called her Pet.

Q a. When did Black Beauty's mother give him this advice?

A a. Black Beauty's mother gave him the advice when she saw that Black Beauty and the older colts had started a rather rough play, kicking and biting.

Q b. What was the advice that Black Beauty received?

A b. Black Beauty's mother told him that he should not be like the other colts, kicking and biting; instead she hoped he would grow up gentle and good and never learn bad ways. She also told him to do his work with goodwill and to lift his feet up well while trotting.

Q c. What three things do we learn about Black Beauty's mother from this text?

A c. Three things we learnt about Black Beauty's mother are

- i. The master was very fond of Black Beauty's mother.
- ii. She was wise and good.
- iii. Her name was Duchess, but the master called her Pet.

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WORD WALL

Animals and their sounds

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1. A horse neighs and whinnies. Given below are the sounds that different animals make. Look at each picture and write the sound that the animal makes. One has been done for you.

Sounds	Animals
trumpet	elephant
hoot	owl
howl	wolf
chirp	grasshopper
cackle	goose
gobble	turkey
chatter	monkey

Horse Idioms

2. Use idioms to fill in the blanks. **page no. 136**

a. ARPIT: I have to rush. I am getting late for school.

MOTHER: Hold your horses! At least finish your breakfast.

b. Let's stop horsing around and get down to work.

c. Look at Jack. He is so hungry, he is eating like a horse.

d. You've made the sandwiches when we haven't even decided whether we are going for the picnic or not. That is putting the cart before the horse.

e. Let her be. She won't join our game. Ever since she won the prize she has been sitting on a high horse.