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Class : XI

Subject : English

Topic- Literature

Worksheet -7

Answer the following questions:

Q1. What conflicting thoughts did the narrator experience when he saw his cousin Mourad sitting on a beautiful white horse?

Q2. Who was uncle Khosrove?

Q3. Why did the narrator say that the spirit of his tribe was capricious and vagrant?

Q4. Who visited Aram's house the afternoon after Aram rode the horse? How were they a contrast to each other?

Q5. Mourad showed special concern for animals. Discuss Mourad's love for animals in contrast to today's youth, who are engaged in thoughtless killing of animals.

Q6. The poet's mother would laugh looking at the photograph. Why?

Q7. How does the poet react to her past? Why has she not mentioned anything about her mother's death?

Q8. Happy moments are short-lived but provide a lifetime memory. They provide a cushion to bear the difficulty which the future has in store for you. Comment in the light of the poem 'A Photograph' by Shirley Toulson.

Q9. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow.

"The cardboard shows me how it was When the two girl cousins went paddling, Each one holding one of my mother's hands, And she the big girl - some twelve years or so."

1. What does the cardboard here refer to?
2. What does the cardboard depict?
3. Who is the 'big girl' mentioned here?

“All three stood still to smile through their hair

At the uncle with the camera. A sweet face,

My mother's, that was before I was born.

And the sea, which appears to have changed less,

Washed their terribly transient feet”

1. What does the poet mean by 'smile through their hair'?
2. What has not changed over a period of time?
3. Explain 'terribly transient feet.' Which poetic device is used here?