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CLASS - VI SUBJECT - ENGLISH TOPIC-THE ENCHANTED SHIRT

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- a) The speaker of these lines is Ralph, one of the courtiers. He was speaking to King Sourface.
- b) The speaker is talking about two physicians who seek an audience with King Sourface.
- c) The names of 'one' and the 'other' are not explicitly mentioned in the text. However, based on the descriptions provided, 'one' can be inferred to be Dr. Truly, and 'the other' can be inferred to be Dr. Sharp. These names are appropriate as they reflect the characteristics described in the text. Dr. Truly is depicted as poor but studious, which aligns with the word 'Truly' implying sincerity and dedication. Dr. Sharp is depicted as someone who is cunning and profit-oriented, which aligns with the word 'Sharp' implying cleverness and shrewdness. So, while their names are not explicitly stated, the descriptions seem to match the roles of the physicians in the story.

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- a) The speaker of these lines is King Sourface. He is saying 'no' to the idea that he can never be cured.
- b) The speaker orders Ralph to send out soldiers to find a shirt belonging to a happy man. He does this because he believes that sleeping in the shirt of a happy man will cure him of his illness.
- c) A line where the speaker is threatening the listener is 'Bring that shirt, or heads will roll!'

C. Answer the following questions briefly -

- 1. The diagnoses provided by the 'three rogue physicians' were cholera, tuberculosis, and a rare disease called 'outofmentalfocus.'

2. The first task that the king assigned to Ralph was to find more physicians.
3. Dr Truly is depicted as earnest and straightforward, offering a diagnosis of good health for the king despite the king's insistence on being ill. He seems genuine in his assessment. On the other hand, Dr Sharp appears cunning and opportunistic. He initially plays into the king's belief in his illness before presenting a more serious diagnosis and proposing a solution involving the shirt of a happy man.
4. Dr Sharp diagnosed the king with a rare disease and prescribed a cure involving sleeping in the shirt of a happy man. Prior to reaching his diagnosis, Dr Sharp examined the king's eyes, tongue, and hand, and then pricked the king's finger to study his blood under a microscope.
5. The vagabond burst out laughing when offered a thousand gold coins for his shirt because he didn't own a shirt to give. His laughter stems from the absurdity of the offer and the contrast between the courtiers' expectation of wealth and his own lack of possessions.
6. In the end, the king realises the emptiness of his life and the importance of kindness, happiness, and contentment. He chooses to leave the palace and pursue a more fulfilling life outside, experiencing the joy that comes from simplicity and genuine happiness.