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## NOTES

Class - VIII

Subject - English

Topic - TIGER IN THE HOUSE

### Q1. Answer the following questions briefly -

1. Grandfather found the tiger cub while on a hunting expedition in the Terai jungle near Dehra.
2. Grandmother prophesied that one of the days they were going to find Timothy sitting on Mahmoud's bed, with no sign of the cook except his shoes and clothes. No, the prophesy never came true.
3. Timothy had grown and acquired the natural instincts of a tiger, stalking cats and dogs. He would also eat the poultry at night. Finally, when he began to stalk the cook, Mahmoud, around the house, Grandfather decided to take him to the zoo.
4. Grandfather climbed over the railing of the zoo and went to Timothy's cage. He then put both hands around his head, stroking his forehead, tickling his ear and, whenever he growled, smacked him on the mouth as he used to do earlier to keep him quiet. The tiger licked Grandfather's hand.
5. The zookeeper told Grandfather that he had never been able to touch the tiger as he was always very bad tempered.

### Q2. RTC-

1.

(a) 'T' is the author or narrator.

(b) It means 'to avoid or stay away from (someone or something)'. In the lesson, the tiger was given a wide berth when he was taken out for walks because people were scared to see the animal and moved away to avoid him.

2.

(a) Timothy the tiger died two months ago.

(b) Timothy died of pneumonia.

**Q3. Answer the following questions in detail-**

1. Timothy's two companions were Toto, the monkey and a mongrel puppy. Toto was bold enough to pull the young tiger by the tail, and then climb up the curtains if Timothy lost his temper.

Timothy initially appeared to be quite afraid of the puppy, and darted away if it came too near. He would try to swipe with his large forepaws and then retreat to a safe distance. Finally, he allowed the puppy to crawl on his back and rest there.

2. As Timothy grew, he began to acquire the natural instincts of a tiger. He would stalk cats and dogs. He would also eat the poultry at night. He even began to stalk the cook, Mahmoud, around the house. Looking at these instances, Grandfather decided that the tiger was becoming too dangerous to be kept in the house and decided to take him to the zoo.

3. Grandfather was shocked when he learned at the zoo that the tiger whose forehead he was lovingly stroking was not his Timothy. It was, in fact, another tiger that was known for his bad temper.