

English – class vii

Based on Course Book

Chapter- 1

Topic – The Shopping List Mystery

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2. Why do you think Mrs Raghavan was taken aback when Uncle Shekhar mentioned that Isaac Newton was not able to keep simple accounts and add figures?

Ans- Mrs Raghavan was taken aback because Uncle Shekhar spoke about the Isaac Newton who specialised in Algebra and differential calculus that he was not able to keep simple accounts and add figures.

3. According to you, why did Uncle Shekhar stand up for his nephew?

Ans- Seeing Sandip's keen interest in music and playing violin, Uncle Shekhar felt that Sandip might become a great composer or a concert violinist or any of the million things available to young people that day. So he stood up for his nephew.

4. How did Sandip's knowledge of music help him crack the mystery of the Shopping List?

Ans- Sandip took the instrument and explained the piece of music on the slide was taken from Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker suite and played it from memory. Then he played the music as it was written on the sheet. The result was total cacophony, a mixture of odd notes that didn't sound like music at all. Someone had cleverly inserted a few notes into the original sheet of music. When Sandip read out the names of the musical notes appearing on the slide, the policeman discovered the name and address of a wealthiest woman. In this way

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