



“What do fish have to do with everything”

Name: _____ Date: _____ Grade 7 /Section: (A/B/C/)

Group A:

Choose the correct answer:

1. Who are the main characters in the story?
a) Mrs. Markham and her daughter b) Mrs. Markham and her son, Willie
c) Mr. Markham and his son, Willie d) Mrs. Markham and her neighbor
2. What does Mrs. Markham warn Willie about regarding the man on the street?
a) He's happy and healthy b) He's sick and unhappy c) He's wealthy and content d) He's a friend of theirs
3. What does Mrs. Markham give Willie when they return home?
a) A piece of cake b) A dollar bill c) A toy d) A book
4. What does Willie observe from his window?
a) A bird flying b) A dog playing c) A man sitting on the street d) A car driving by
5. What does Willie do to try and help the man on the street?
a) Gives him a nickel b) Ignores him c) Takes a picture d) Calls the police
6. **Who are the main characters of the story? Describe one of them.**

Group B:

1. How does Willie's mother explain the man's situation to him?

2. What does Willie give to the man on the street?

3. How does Willie feel about his mother's actions towards the man?

4. Why do you think Willie feels compelled to help the man on the street?

5. How does Willie's perspective on unhappiness change throughout the story?

Group C:

1. What do you think motivates Mrs. Markham to call the police about the man on Monday?

2. Reflect on the significance of the pound cake shared between Willie and the man. How does this act symbolize their connection?

3. Analyze the dynamics of the relationship between Willie and his mother. How does their differing perspectives on unhappiness contribute to the conflict in the story?

4. Evaluate the moral implications of Mrs. Markham's decision to involve the police. Do you think her actions were justified? Why or why not?

5. Describe two of the main characters and classify their types using your own words.
