

Prince Leo and the Moonlit Flower

In a peaceful valley, there was Prince Leo. He **guarded** a unique flower that bloomed only under the moonlight. Every night, he would go to the garden, **hum** a soft melody, and a silver deer would **appear**. The deer's **antlers** would glow, and the moonflower would open, spreading a **dust** of sparkles that made the entire valley **fertile** and green.

One season, a jealous goblin learned of this and **cursed** the flower. That night, the flower **remained** closed, and its petals turned grey. The valley began to **wither**, and the plants started to die. The prince asked the silver deer for guidance. The deer suggested watering the flower with **dew** collected from morning leaves. Prince Leo did so, and the following night, the flower bloomed again, restoring the valley's vitality.

The goblin, **enraged**, cast a stronger spell that brought **eternal clouds** to hide the moon. Prince Leo felt hopeless; then, a princess arrived, offering a **vial** of pure starlight. His hope reflected in the vial, and the light within grew brighter. He **poured** the starlight onto the flower, and it broke the curse. The clouds **vanished**. The princess explained, "He protected life, and I brought him light." The people celebrated their union. For his **malice**, the goblin was turned to stone, and the valley flourished forever after.

Questions

1. What is the main idea of the second paragraph?

- (A) The prince's nightly ritual with the silver deer.
- (B) The consequences of the goblin's curse on the valley.
- (C) How the prince and the silver deer overcame the first curse.
- (D) The arrival of the princess with the starlight.
- (E) The goblin's punishment for his wickedness.

2. The word "He" in the sentence "He protected life, and I brought him light." refers to...

- (A) The silver deer
- (B) The goblin
- (C) Prince Leo
- (D) The moon
- (E) The flower

3. According to the text, which of the following statements are TRUE? ((Be careful, more than one might be correct)

- (A) The moonflower bloomed under the sunlight.
- (B) The goblin cursed the flower because he was jealous.
- (C) The silver deer advised using morning dew to break the first curse.
- (D) The princess's vial was filled with pure sunlight.
- (E) The valley's fertility depended on the moonflower's bloom.

4. The word "vitality" in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to...

- (A) Sickness
- (B) Life energy
- (C) Beauty

- (D) Darkness
- (E) Hope

5. What was the main problem after the goblin's second spell?

- (A) The silver deer disappeared forever.
- (B) The moon was hidden by eternal clouds.
- (C) The prince lost his ability to hum the melody.
- (D) The princess could not find the valley.
- (E) The flower was stolen by the goblin.

6. What is the moral value of the story?

- (A) Jealousy is a powerful tool for success.
- (B) Hope and cooperation can overcome evil.
- (C) It is important to hide valuable things.
- (D) Magic should always be used to solve problems.
- (E) Royalty must not perform gardening tasks.

7. How did the prince break the goblin's final curse?

- (A) He waited for the clouds to naturally disappear.
- (B) He used the starlight given by the princess on the flower.
- (C) He captured the goblin and forced him to remove the spell.
- (D) The silver deer's antlers glowed brightly enough to replace the moon.
- (E) He sang a louder melody to shatter the clouds.

8. Why did the princess decide to help Prince Leo?

- (A) She wanted to become the queen of the valley.
- (B) She was sent by the king to marry the prince.
- (C) She admired his dedication to protecting life in the valley.
- (D) She was lost and needed a place to stay.
- (E) She wanted to steal the moonflower for herself.