CHAPTER 3

The Kite Maker

Fill in the Blanks (5 Questions)

1. The ancient banyan tree had grown through the cracks of an abandoned _____.
2. Mahmood's beard was dyed red with _____ leaves.
3. The special kite Mahmood made for the Nawab was called the _____ kite.
4. The kite with small mirrors for eyes made a sound like a _____ when it flew.
5. At the end of the story, a white butterfly rested on Mahmood's beard before flying to the _____ tree.

True or False (5 Questions)

1. **True/False:** Ali's kite got stuck in the banyan tree because the twine broke.
2. **True/False:** Mahmood's kite shop was still thriving, with many customers.

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3. **True/False:** The Dragon kite was never found after its string snapped.
4. **True/False:** The Nawab's descendants continued to support Mahmood as patrons.
5. **True/False:** Ali understood immediately that his grandfather had passed away.

Multiple Choice Questions (10 Questions)

1. What color was Ali's new kite?
    - A) Blue with a red tail
    - B) Pale pink with a green tail
    - C) White with no tail
    - D) Yellow with a blue tail
2. Why did Mahmood no longer sell many kites?
    - A) Children preferred cinema over kites.
    - B) Kites were banned by the Nawab.
    - C) He forgot how to make them.
    - D) The banyan tree blocked the wind.

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3. What was unique about the Dragon Kite?

- A) It could sing like a bird.
- B) It had mirrors for eyes and moved like a serpent.
- C) It was invisible in the sky.
- D) It never needed a string.

4. How did Mahmood react when Ali told him about the stuck kite?

- A) He scolded Ali for carelessness.
- B) He chuckled and made a new kite.
- C) He climbed the tree to retrieve it.
- D) He ignored Ali.

5. What symbolized the bond between Mahmood and Ali?

- A) The banyan tree and the mimosa sapling.
- B) The abandoned mosque.

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- C) The Nawab's lost riches.
- D) The white butterfly.

6. What happened to the Dragon Kite eventually?

- A) It was returned to the Nawab.
- B) Its string snapped, and it flew away forever.
- C) Mahmood kept it as a trophy.
- D) It was destroyed by the wind.

7. Why did people no longer gather under the banyan tree?

- A) It was haunted by pirates.
- B) They were too busy in a fast-changing world.
- C) The tree had died.
- D) The Nawab forbade it.

8. What did Mahmood dream of making for Ali?

- A) A kite resembling Garuda, Vishnu's steed.
- B) A kite shaped like a dragon.

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- C) A kite that could carry messages.
- D) A kite with gold thread.

9. How did Ali realize something was wrong with his grandfather?

- A) The kite flew away on its own.
- B) Mahmood did not respond to his touch.
- C) The butterfly spoke to him.
- D) The mimosa tree withered.

10. What theme does the story highlight?

- A) The decline of traditions in a modernizing world.
- B) The importance of betting on kite battles.
- C) The Nawab's cruelty to artisans.
- D) Ali's fear of butterflies.

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