

1. Why was Subal not able to correct Sushil?

Sushil was so naughty that he drove the entire neighborhood crazy. Although Subal tried to punish the young boy, Sushil always got away because Subal was too weak to run after the quick-paced Sushil. Whenever Subal tried to slap the boy, Sushil easily escaped his father's unsteady blows.

2. Was Subal a good father? Give reasons to support your answer.

No, Subal was not a very good father although he shows some *raw traits* of a good father. The relation between the father and son doesn't seem to be very healthy. Subal's methods of punishing his son appear rude and cruel. He should not have *resorted* to beating all the time.

3. How did Subal punish Sushil for lying to bunk the school?

He tempted Sushil in the name of Lozenges but instead he gave him a bowl of bitter brew and locked him in the room for the whole day.

4. How did old Sushil punish his young father?

He made Subal to sit down in front of him and solve some very tough mathematics problems. Subal took nearly an hour to solve just one of them.

5. Why was Sushil not happy after he became an old man?

Sushil faced several difficulties after becoming an old man. Most importantly, he was too weak to play like his friends. After becoming old, he suddenly lost his childish enthusiasm and cheerfulness. He no longer enjoyed the sports that he used to enjoy with friends.

6. Why did Subal wish to be an old man again?

Subal faced several difficulties after becoming young. He wanted to be young so that he could study hard. But when he became young he no longer had any desire to study.

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1. He got punished by his teacher for asking for a puff of tobacco
2. His elder friends also punished him for intervening in their conversation.

8. Why did elderly people chase Subal away?

They did not know that their friend had become young now. They did not like a child's interruption in their conversation.

9. Why did Lord Ronald love Lady Clare according to her?

Lady Clare was sure that Lord Ronald loved her for her own real value, not for her family origin and for her land

10. What was the secret behind the birth of Lady Clare?

Alice would take care of the old Earl's daughter. But when the Earl's daughter died, Alice buried her as her own daughter and put her child in her place. So Clare was Alice's daughter.

11 What is the central idea of the poem Lady Clare?

Lady Clare' is a narrative poem that tells of how lovers can rise above social and economic status and are able to remain faithful to each other.

12. Why was Lady Clare angry with Alice, the nurse?

Clare was unhappy with her mother because she had done so unfaithfully. Clare was also sorry because she had deceived Ronald for so many years.

13. What does the gift lily doe suggest in the poem?

A person of lily-white character is described as a person of very pure and honest character. The gift suggests that both the lover and the beloved are pure and honest to each other.

14. What is the theme of the poem Lady Clare?

The dramatic presentation of the poem is concerned with the theme of pure and unselfish love. It shows how lovers can rise above social and economic status and are able to remain faithful and honest to each other.

15. How does this poem represent the face of real love?

This poem thus presents face of real love irrespective of social and economic status. Love is something different which has nothing to do with the birth or origin and social status of either partner. It is holy thing that binds two souls in such a way that it is impossible to unbind them.