

Chapter - 1

Mowgli in Trouble

Q) Answer the following questions:

1) Why did the Bandar-log kidnap Mowgli?

Ans: From the branches above, the Bandar-log watched Mowgli, learn and play. They found his nimble fingers make things out of twigs and found him to be wise indeed and wanted him in their tribe, so that they may share his skills and wisdom with them.

They also wanted everyone in the jungle to be envious of them.

2) Whose help did Baloo and Bagheera seek to bring Mowgli back? Why?

Ans: After a hard thought Baloo and Bagheera decided to seek help from Kaa, the rock Python.

They seek Kaa's help because Kaa, could climb the trees as well as the monkeys could and over all the monkeys were afraid even to whisper his name. So they were sure

that if they include Kaa in their war against the Bandar-log then they would definitely get Mowgli back from their custody.

3. How did the Bandar-log behave when Mowgli was among them?

Ans: The Bandar-log were very happy after getting Mowgli in their group. They were pleased with themselves. They joined hands and danced about. They sang their foolish songs. One among them made a speech and told his companions that Mowgli's capture marked a new thing in the history of Bandar-log.

4. What made Mowgli think that the Bandar-log were a foolish and silly tribe?

Ans: On being asked by the Bandar-log, to show Mowgli how to make protection

against rain & cold. Mough picked up some creepers and began to work on them.

Some of the monkeys tried to imitate him but he soon found that they lost interest and began to pull each other's tail and jump up and down.

He soon concluded that they were not at all interested to learn anything but were a foolish and silly tribe.

5. Describe Kaa's attack on the monkeys, why did the monkeys fear him so much?

Ans. Kaa a thirty feet long python decided to attack from the west wall.

His first strike was delivered into the crowd around Baloo. The monkeys scattered with cries of "Kaa".

The monkeys fear him so much because none of them knew the limits of his power. None of them could look him in the face and none had ever come alive out of his hug and so they ever remained terrified.

6. How did Mowgli express his gratitude towards Kaa?

Ans: Mowgli was too much moved with Kaa's generous help and was filled with gratitude.

He told Kaa that they were one blood and he owed his life to him that night. He will offer all his kills to Kaa, if ever he is hungry and lastly, if ever he is caught in a trap, Mowgli would come for his rescue.

B. Who said these words, to whom and why?

1. "Tell Baloo and Bagheera where they are taking me!"

Ans: Mowgli said these words to Rann.

When Mowgli was imprisoned by the Bandar-log he realised that it was useless to fight against such a huge group

alone. So, he stared upward and decided to cry out for help to Rann, the kite flying in the blue sky. So, that Rann would further convey his message to Baloo and Bagheera.

2) "It is the Bandar-log that we follow."

Ans:- These words were spoken by Baloo to "Kaa" the Rock Python.

He said these words because they were following the Bandar-log and thus came to Kaa to help them to get their friend Mowgli back.

3) "We are every hungry -"

Ans: Mowgli said these words to Kaa.

Mowgli was overwhelmed by Kaa's great help in his crisis. Kaa safely took out Mowgli from the trap of the cunning Bandar-log. So Mowgli was grateful to him and owed him his life.