

NCERT Solutions for Class 9

English

Chapter 4 – In the Kingdom of Fools

1. What are the two strange things the guru and his disciple find in the Kingdom of Fools?

Ans: The guru and his disciple notice two peculiar things in the kingdom of fools:

- (a) Everyone sleeps during the day and works at night; and the cost of purchasing.
- (b) Everything from the market was the same, one duddu (one rupee).

It didn't matter if it was a measure of rice or a bunch of bananas; the price was the same.

2. Why do the disciples decide to stay in the Kingdom of Fools? Is it a good idea?

Ans: The disciple chose to remain in the Kingdom of Fools because he was ecstatic that everything cost only a single duddu and was extremely inexpensive. All he wanted was nice, inexpensive meals. Staying there, according to the Guru, was not a good idea because they were all fools, and he predicted that this situation would not endure long, and he was unsure what they would do in the future.

3. Name all the people who are tried in the king's court, and give the reasons for their trial.

Ans: In the king's court, the following people were tried:

- (a) The merchant whose home was broken into His house's wall was weak, and it fell on the burglar, killing him.
- (b) The bricklayer who constructed the wall: Because he constructed a weak wall that fell, killing the burglar.

(c) The dancing girl: Because she distracted the bricklayer by going up and down the road with her jingling anklets.

(d) The goldsmith: Because he failed to fulfil the dancing girl's request on time, causing her to visit the goldsmith a dozen times.

(e) Because his father pushed the jeweller to fulfil his order first, delaying the dancing girl's order, the merchant's house was burgled for the second time. Because the merchant's father had died, he had to be executed in his stead.

(f) Because the merchant was too thin to be executed by the freshly constructed stake, a fat guy was needed to fit the stake. Because the disciple was overweight, he was apprehended.

4. Who is the real culprit according to the king? Why does he escape punishment?

Ans: The merchant is the genuine criminal, according to the monarch, because his old father was the true killer, but he was dead, and someone had to punish him in his stead. He is spared punishment since he is too frail to be burned at the stake properly.

5. What are the Guru's words of wisdom? When does the disciple remember them?'

Ans: It was the city of fools, according to the guru's words of wisdom. He encouraged the disciple to flee the city because he had no idea what would happen next. When the disciple was about to be executed, he remembered this.

6. How does the guru manage to save his disciple's life?

Ans: By proclaiming his wish to be slain first, the guru tries to perplex the monarch. Then, to further perplex the king, he tells him about his next incarnation asking. It appears to be a case of pure deception to preserve your loved one's life. However, if we look deeper, the sage is attempting to save everyone's life in the kingdom, whether intentionally or unknowingly. He eventually succeeds in rescuing everyone from the anguish of life in the realm of fools.