

NCERT Solutions for Class 9

English

Chapter 7 – The Last Leaf

1. What is Johnsy's illness? What can cure her, the medicine or the willingness to live?

Ans: Johnsy was sick with pneumonia. She could only be cured if she was willing to live. She'd made up her mind that she wouldn't get better. Medicines would not assist her if she did not wish to live, according to the doctor.

2. Do you think the feeling of depression Johnsy has is common among teenagers?

Ans: Yes, I believe depression is very common among teenagers like Johnsy. Teenagers are extremely susceptible to it as they are constantly pressured to outperform in every field due to today's competitive lifestyle. They are burdened by their studies as well as the fear of the future and are often under a lot of peers and parental pressure. Along with all of this, students are also expected to act in a certain way that society deems suitable. Almost every time, they are unable to cope with such high levels of stress and get depressed as a result.

3. Behrman had a dream. What was it? Does it come true?

Ans: Behrman was a painter who was sixty years old. His lifelong ambition had been to create a masterpiece. It comes true when he paints a leaf that appears to be completely natural. On a creeper, he painted the last leaf.

4. What is Behrman's masterpiece? What makes Sue say so?

Ans: The last leaf on the ivy creeper was Behrman's masterpiece. Sue believes it to be a masterpiece because it reignited Johnsy's desire to survive, and she was able to recover from her sickness as a result of it. When the last leaf of the ivy creeper fell,

Johnsy believed she would die. Behrman, on the other hand, spent an entire night painting a new green leaf in the middle of a storm. Behrman developed pneumonia after being soaked while painting and died as a result. However, when Johnsy saw that leaf, he believed it was real and felt confident. She recognized that if she wanted to, she could recover from her sickness.

