

BRAIN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

ENGLISH ASSIGNMENT

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LITERATURE

CH-12: MY LOST DOLLAR

Theme- The story highlights the comedic side of human miscommunication and how simple misunderstandings can escalate, causing confusion and chaos. Leacock uses humour to satirise the way people often misinterpret each other's intentions, emphasising the absurdity that can result from such situations.

Q1. What painful thought haunted the speaker? Why?

Q2. How do we know that Todd has forgotten about the dollar?

Q3. *"I asked him one day what his trip cost him and he said that he kept no accounts"*

- a) What had Todd's trip cost the speaker?
- b) Is it odd that the speaker remembers all his meetings with Todd?
- c) What is the mood of the speaker?

Q4. Write a character sketch of the narrator of the story.

CH-14: THE HOLY PANCHAYAT

Theme- The story serves as a critique of the oppressive social and religious structures that exist in Indian society. It exposes the hypocrisy and corruption of those in authority and advocates for the need to challenge and question traditional norms to bring about social change and justice.

Q1. How did the judgement proclaimed by Algu impact their friendship?

Q2. How was the altercation between Algu and Jumman settled.

Q3. *"This is justice. This is not the work of a man"*

- a) Who said this?
- b) Why were the speakers happy?
- c) What was 'justice' in this context?

Q4. Comment on the significance of the word 'Holy' in the story's title 'The Holy Panchayat'.

CH-16: SHILLONG: THE ROCK CAPITAL OF INDIA

Theme- The chapter is about Shillong which was the summer capital of Northeast India, during British rule in India. Shillong is referred to as the "Rock capital of India", as people in the city are very much interested in rock music.

Q1. What makes Shillong a must-visit place?

Q2. The Khasis are well known for their hospitality. Give reasons.

Q3. *“His child-like approach to music is a living embodiment of Shillong’s musical spirit.”*

- a) Whose ‘child-like approach’ is being spoken about?
- b) How is he a ‘living embodiment of Shillong’s musical spirit’?
- c) Why is he called the ‘grand old man of rock and roll’ in Shillong?

Q4. Write a short note on Lou Majaw’s concert which takes place every year.