

English Literature

Book : New Aster

Chapter 3 THANK YOU, JEEVES

Advanced- 8

Questions from the book:

1. Who was Sir Glossop ?

Ans. Sir Glossop was a bald-doomed, bushy-browed blighter, ostensibly a nerve specialist, but in reality nothing more or less than a high-priced loony-doctor.

2. What are being referred to as ‘machinery’ and ‘thing’?

Ans. The relationship between Bertram Wooster and Pauline Stoker is referred to as ‘machinery’ and the wedding plan that was going to happen is referred to as ‘thing’ which came to an end.

3. What kind of a person is the speaker ?

Ans. The speaker is a man of sudden, enthusiasms, love his freedom as a bachelor. When he is tensed , absorbed and single- minded – he becomes a remorseless machine.

4. There is only one instance where we hear Jeeves’ voice in the story. What does it tell you about his character/personality?

Ans . Jeeves is valet of Bertram Wooster. He is faithful, loyal and far cleverer than his patron. He comes to rescue of his master whenever he is in a social disaster.

5. What are the two noisy elements mentioned in the story?

Ans. The musical instrument banjolele and the dog Pomeranian .

B. Answer with reference to the context:

1. What brought him there was one of his periodical visits to J. Washburn Stoker’s second cousin, George.....

a. Who was visiting George and why?

Ans. Sir Roderick Glossop because George had been his patient for some years.

b. Where did the visitor come to visit George and what announcement was made during his visit?

Ans. The visitor came to visit George in New York. The announcement of Bertram Wooster’s engagement with Pauline Stoker had appeared in the papers and that they were planning to do the Wedding Glide.

2. I imagine, he informed him that I had once been engaged to his daughter, Honoria....

a. Who is the speaker?

Ans. Bertram Wooster is the speaker.

b. Whose daughter was the speaker of these lines engaged to?

Ans. Sir Glossop’s daughter.

C. Think and answer.

1. Which social class do you think the characters in the story belong to? Answer with reference to the text.

Ans. The characters in the story belong to aristocratic class as the announcement of engagement appeared in the papers, they owned a flat and also had a Pomeranian.

2. Describe the narrator’s meeting with the visitor.

Ans. The narrator was playing the banjolele when the visitor arrived. He thought that the visitor had come to apologise for his misconduct in the past but his diagnosis of the situation had been

wrong because the visitor's only reply was an indubitably unpleasant grunt. He had been glaring at the speaker as if he had been the germ of dementia praecox. He had come to stop the narrator from playing banjo which was causing distress for the occupant of the flat below who was a woman in a highly nervous condition and one of the patients of the visitor.

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