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Chapter 3: Black Beauty

(Questions and answers from the back of the chapter)

This entire work must be done neatly in the English Literature Copy (C.B)

Answers these questions .

Q1. Why is the narrator proud and happy about living at Birtwick Hall ?

A1. The narrator was proud and happy about living at Birtwick Hall because his master and mistress were loved and respected by all . They were kind to men, women and even to animals.

Q2. Why did the master and mistress want to make the lives of animals better ? How did they achieve it ?

A2. The master and mistress wanted to make the lives of animals better because they were also living beings who needed love, care and kindness . They achieved it by stopping others from treating the animals cruelly.

Q3. What was the dreadful sight for the narrator ?

A3. The dreadful sight for the narrator was to watch Sawyer treating the pony unfairly by whipping and hurting its jaw.

Q4. The master says to Mr. Sawyer, ‘by such anger you injure your own character more than you injure your horse.’ What does this mean ?

A4. The master said these lines to Mr. Sawyer when he saw him ill treating the pony by pulling the check rein harshly. This type of treatment reflected his harsh character. The above lines mean that Mr. Sawyer was damaging his own character not only in front of his horse by treating it brutally but also in front of other people .

Q5. Which examples does the master give Langley to explain cruelty to animals ?

A5. The master told Langley that as a military man he could not take the credit for the drill of the regiment if their heads were tied to a backboard. He said this as an example of cruelty to animals as check-reins were used to keep the horses’ heads up.