



GRADE- IX	ENGLISH	CATEGORIES: MCQ, VSAQ, SAQ, CBQ
	THE LITTLE GIRL	

<u>MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS</u>	
1	What would Kezia's father do after coming back from his office? a) He would play with Kezia. b) He would go out with Kezia and her mother. c) He would go to sleep in his bedroom. d) He would sit in the drawing room, have tea and read the newspaper
2	Who were the people in Kezia's family? a) Her parents. b) Her parents and her granny. c) Her parents, her sister and her granny. d) Her parents, her brother, her sister and her granny
3	Why was Kezia afraid of her father? a) Because he never talked to her lovingly. b) Because he never played with her. c) Because he kept finding faults with her. d) All the above.

4	<p>What would Kezia's father do before going to his office?</p> <p>a) He would give Kezia a goodbye kiss. b) He would read the newspaper. c) He would sit and have a pleasant chat with Kezia. d) He would help Kezia with her homework</p>
5	<p>What would Kezia's father do on Sundays?</p> <p>a) He would stretch himself on the sofa in the drawing-room. b) He would put his handkerchief on his face and his feet on a cushion. c) He would sleep soundly and snore. d) All the above</p>
	<p><u>VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS</u></p>
6	<p>Why was there a hue and cry in the house?</p> <p>Ans.: There was a hue and cry in the house because the father's great speech for the Port Authority had been lost.</p>
7	<p>When did the girl feel relieved?</p> <p>Ans.: Every morning before going to work he came into her room and gave her a casual kiss.</p>
8	<p>What was her father's routine before going to work?</p> <p>Ans.: The name of the little girl was Kezia.</p>

9	<p>What was her father’s daily routine after coming from the office?</p> <p>Ans.: After coming from the office in the evening he cried loudly for tea and newspaper.</p>
10	<p>Give the meaning of ‘a figure to be feared’.</p> <p>Ans.: ‘A person to be feared.’</p>
<p><u>SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS</u></p>	
11	<p>What did she stuff the pin cushion with? Why was the stuffing very important to her father? Did she know that it was important?</p> <p>Ans: Kezia found some sheets of paper in her father’s bedroom. She tore them into pieces. She stuffed the pincushion with those pieces. The stuffing was very important for her father. An important speech was written on those papers. But the little girl did not know about it</p>
12	<p>Kezia looked through a hole in the fence into Mr MacDonald’s Garden. What did she see?</p> <p>Ans: Kezia saw that Mr Macdonald was playing with his children. They were running around the flower beds Baby Mao was on his shoulders. The two little girls were hanging on to his coat pockets. They were very happy.</p>
13	<p>Describe the departure of Kezia’s father for his office.</p> <p>Ans: Kezia’s father went to the office early in the morning. Before going, he went to Kezia’s room. He gave her a kiss. She said goodbye to her father.</p>

14	<p>What made Kezia’s father punish her? Was he right to do so?</p> <p>Ans: Kezia’s father had written a speech on some papers. Kezia had made a pin-cushion for her father on his birthday. She needed paper to stuff the pin cushion and put it into the cushion.</p>
15	<p>Why did the little girl start making the pin-cushion?</p> <p>Ans: Her grandmother suggested that she should present a pincushion to her father for his birthday. So, she started making the pincushion.</p>
<p><u>COMPETENCY-BASED QUESTIONS</u></p> <p><u>Answer the following with reference to the story</u></p>	
16	<p>How did Kezia make a pin-cushion for her father?</p> <p>Ans: Kezia’s grandmother advised her to make a pin-cushion for her father on his birthday. She made it out of a beautiful piece of yellow silk. she wanted something to fill it with. She found some sheets of paper lying on the bed table. she tore them up and filled in the pincushion.</p>
17	<p>In what ways did Kezia’s grandmother encourage her to get to know her father better?</p> <p>Ans: On Sunday afternoons, Kezia’s grandmother sent her to her father’s room to have a nice talk with him. Besides, she asked her to make a gift of a pin-cushion on her father’s birthday.</p>
18	<p>Why was Kezia’s father to be feared and avoided? What did she think of him?</p> <p>Ans: For Kezia, her father was a figure to be feared and avoided. No doubt, Kezia responded his casual kiss with ‘Goodbye Father’. However, she felt relieved when her father disappeared along the road. In the evening he would in his loud voice to bring his tea and paper into the drawing room. She felt very uncomfortable in his presence.</p>

19	<p>Give in brief the message of the story ‘The Little Girl’.</p> <p>Ans: Appearances can be deceptive. Kezia’s father looked like a cruel giant to her. She trembled and stuttered in his presence. His harsh words made her curse her fate. However, she, later on, found that her father was not devoid of tender human feelings. Beneath his rough exterior was hidden his deep love and affection for his daughter.</p>
20	<p>Kezia’s efforts to please her father resulted in displeasing him very much. How did this happen?</p> <p>Ans: She stitched cotton cloth on three sides and looked for the things that could be stuffed into the stitched cloth. Soon she found many sheets of paper. Actually, they contained her father’s speech for the Port Authority. She tore them into pieces and stuffed her case. The next day when her father looked for the papers, he did not find them.</p>
<p><u>ADDITIONAL UNSOLVED QUESTIONS</u></p>	
21	<p>How did Kezia earn anger from her father? What lesson did he teach her on that day?</p>
22	<p>Why did Kezia feel more inclined towards her grandmother in the story?</p>
23	<p>Why did Kezia say that there are different types of fathers?</p>
24	<p>Write short notes on the relationship between Kezia and her father.</p>
25	<p>How does Kezia begin to see her father as a human being who needs her sympathy?</p>
26	<p>Write a short character sketch of Kezia, the little girl</p>
27	<p>Write a short character sketch of Kezia’s father</p>

