

Answer the following questions:-

1.Why does the narrator call Shindo a lonely woman?

Ans. Shindo was a widow who lived all alone and had no children. So the narrator has called her lonely.

2.Why was Shindo always tired?

Ans. She worked all day at home and in her field. She had no time to sleep or rest. So she was always tired.

3.How did God answer Shindo's prayers?

Ans. God sent a shower of seeds which fell into Shindo's hands. She planted the seeds in her courtyard which soon grew into calabashes. These calabashes magically turned into children.

4.Where did Shindo plant the seeds? What did they grow into?

Ans. Shindo planted the seeds in her courtyard. The seeds grew into calabashes.

5.What happened when Shindo left for work the next day?

Ans. When Shindo left for work the next day, the calabashes magically turned into children.

6.What promise did Shindo make to the children?

Ans. The children made the promise to Shindo that they would never leave her.

Reference to the context:-

1.Mama, Mama-----like a star.

(a)Who said these words?

Ans. The children said these words.

(b)Whom did they address these words to?

Ans. They addressed these words to Shindo.

(c)How will the speakers of these words make their mother shine like a star?

Ans. The children will make their mother shine like a star by making the promise that they will never leave Shindo, and by ensuring that she doesn't have to work hard.

2.Shindo continued-----difficult days.

(a)Who say these words?

Ans. The narrator said these words.

(b)Who is the speaker talking about?

Ans. The narrator is talking about Shindo's helpful nature.

(c)What were the difficult days the speaker refers to?

Ans. The narrator is referring to those days when Shindo was alone and had no one on whom she could depend.

BOOKWORK

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Identify the type of the underlined adjectives. Write them in the blank space.

1. Many children are playing in the garden. Adjective of quantity
2. That man is a gardener. Demonstrative adjective
3. Whose yoga mat is this? Interrogative adjective
4. My suitcase is new. Possessive adjective
5. The soft towel is in the cupboard. Adjective of quality
6. Many stars can be seen through a telescope. Adjective of quantity
7. There is little sugar in the jar. Adjective of quantity
8. The table is square in shape Adjective of quality