**PARAGON CONVENT SCHOOL**

**SECTOR – 24 B , CHANDIGARH**

**CLASS – VI ( LITERATURE )**

**SECTION – 2 TOM COMES HOME**

**NOTEBOOK WORK**

**\*DIFFICULT WORDS**

1. anxiously

2. descended

3. reticence

4. gosling

5. indeterminate

6. confidentially

7. spitfire

8. thrusting

9. emphatically

10. subsiding

11. attic

**\*WORD MEANINGS**

1. anxiously –causing or showing fear or nervousness about what may happen

2.descended –move or fall downwards

3. reticence –not willing to talk much

4. gosling – baby goose; ( here ) Tom is being compared to a gosling because he has not yet turned into a man

5. indeterminate – that cannot be described easily

6. confidentially – in a way that is meant to be kept secret and not told to or shared with other people

7. spitfire – short tempered , angry person

8. thrusting – ( here ) pushing his hands into his pockets

9. unwound – ( here ) undid the string that was wrapped into a ball

10. emphatically – clearly , without doubt

11. colour heightening – face turning red with anger

12. subsiding – ( here ) the colour on his face returned to normal

13.lozenge box – a box containing small sweets / candies shaped like a diamond

14. attic – room or a space just below the roof of a house , often used for storing things

15. crushing sense of misery –feeling extremely sad and miserable

**\*MAKE SENTENCES**

1. anxiously –She kept looking anxiously at her watch.

2. descended –They descended from the mountaintop.

3. reticence –His reticence about his past made them very suspicious.

4. indeterminate - An indeterminate number of guests arrived for the party.

5. confidentially –Social workers are bound by rules of confidentiality.

6. spitfire –She was a spitfire and couldn’t dance.

7. emphatically –She is emphatically opposed to the proposals.

8. attic – He housed his old books in the attic.

**\*LEARN TO READ**

1. When Tom alights from the carriage he says with masculine reticence , ' Hallo! Yap – What! Are you there ? Tom behaves in this way because he ( Tick the correct answer ).

a. does not want to be hugged and kissed by his mother and sister. \_\_

b. does not want to show his feelings to his mother and sister. \_\_

c. wants to show them that he is more interested in their dog , Yap. \_\_

d. wants to show them that he is manly and grown – up.✓

2. Which of the following words best describe the relationship between Maggie and Tom ? Pick out examples from the passage to support your answer.

( friendly , unusual , strange , love – hate , complex )

Ans. Unusual , strange , complex

3. Tom says he is a good brother to Maggie. Do you agree ? Give reasons.

Ans. Being a nice brother , Tom has brought a gift for Maggie when he returned home. He gives her a fishing rod and tells her that he’ll take her fishing with him. But when Maggie told her about the rabbits, he became angry and didn’t even listen to her. He is a little insensitive to her feelings and a bit cruel too. So, we can’t say that he is a good brother. He should have forgiven her.

4.a) What was the sad truth ?

Ans. The sad truth was that Maggie forgot to feed the rabbits in the absence of Tom and they had all died.

b) How did Tom show his anger when Maggie told him the truth ?

Ans. When Tom comes to know that his rabbits had dead because of Maggie , he was shocked. He became very angry and cruel too as he liked his rabbits and also the rabbits were too expensive.

c) Do you think he was right to be angry ?

Ans. No , he was not right to be angry. When Maggie told her everything and even admitted her mistake , he should have forgiven her. Maggie adores him , but he does not have the same kind of love for her.

d) Suppose you were in a situation similar to Tom’s. What would you do ? Would you forgive your brother or sister ?

Ans. If I were in a situation similar to Tom , I would definitely forgive my brother or sister.