

PARAGON CONVENT SCHOOL

CLASS-4

ENGLISH

NOVEL- DOCTOR DOLITTLE

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SUMMARY

Polynesia visits Dr. Dolittle in the dungeon and tells him he must find a way to make Prince Bumpo look like a frog. That night, Prince Bumpo visits the dungeon. Dr. Dolittle and Prince Bumpo strikes a bargain. Prince Bumpo agrees to free Dr. Dolittle and the animals and gives them a ship and in return Dr. Dolittle agrees to turn Prince Bumpo into a frog. He mixes various potions and turns him into a frog. Dr. Dolittle and the animals sail away. Polynesia, Chee-Chee and the crocodile decide to stay behind in Africa, their true home.

Dr. Dolittle and the animals sail homeward. They pass the coast of Barbary, home of the Barbary pirates. They spot a ship with red flags in the distance. Jip, the dog, smells bad pirate men and alerts Dr. Dolittle that the ship with red flags is a pirate ship. Dr. Dolittle and the animals tie strings from the boat to thousands of swallows. With the help of the swallows, Dr. Dolittle and the animals outrun the pirates.

The swallows become tired and hide the boat in the deep bay of an island so they can rest. Dr. Dolittle sees the ship rats leaving the ship. One rat tells him that the ship is bad and will surely sink. Dr. Dolittle and the animals leave the boat to look for water on the island. Canaries on the island show him the way to clear, fresh spring. Two swallows tell Dr. Dolittle that the pirates have discovered the ship. They are searching the ship, leaving their own pirate ship abandoned. Dr. Dolittle and the animals sneak



aboard the pirate ship, planning to sail away and leave the pirates on the old ship.

NOTEBOOK WORK

Word Meaning-

- 1.canary-a bright yellow bird
- 2.swift-fast moving
- 3.potion-a liquid with magical properties

State true or false-

1. Dr.Dolittle did not agree to turn Prince Bumpo into a frog.
False
2. Polynesia, Chee-Chee and the crocodile stayed at Africa.
True
3. Barbary was the home of the pirates. True
4. Swallows did not help Dr.Dolittle. False
5. Cats told Dr.Dolittle about the bad ship. False

Answer the following questions-

Q1. What does Jip smell on the ocean journey back to Puddleby?

Ans. Jip smells roast beef and the Barbary pirates on the ocean journey back to Puddleby.



Q2. Why do the swallows pull the ship into the bay of the island?

Ans. The swallows pull the ship into the bay to take rest and hide from the pirates.

Q3. What does Dr. Dolittle earn in return for helping Prince Bumpo?

Ans. In return for helping Prince Bumpo, Dr. Dolittle earns his freedom and a ship to sail back to Puddleby.

