

PARAGON CONVENT SCHOOL

CLASS-3

ENGLISH

NOVEL- MATILDA

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SUMMARY

Matilda is shocked, and realizes it's no wonder Miss Honey is so terrified. Miss Honey diverts the conversation to Matilda, but Matilda says she is not in the mood to do experiments with her mind power today; she would rather go home and think about what she has heard this afternoon. She does not reveal it to Miss Honey, but she asks a few questions. She learns that Miss Honey's father's name was Magnus, he called Miss Trunchbull Agatha, and they both called Miss Honey Jenny.

Matilda returns home to an empty house, just as she hoped. She takes one of her father's cigars to her room to practice, setting it down on her dressing table and sitting ten feet away from it. She practices and practices and manages to get it to stay up for a full minute. She knows then that the time has come to put her plan to help Miss Honey into action.

The next day is Thursday, which is when Miss Trunchbull comes in to teach Miss Honey's class. Miss Honey warns them all to be especially careful today, after what happened last week when she took over. When Miss Trunchbull comes in, she first checks to see that there are no creatures in her water jug. She points to a boy named Wilfred and asks him to recite the three-times table backwards, and when he cannot, Miss Honey tells her that she sees no point in teaching them things backwards when the whole point of life is to go forwards. As she is tormenting him, Nigel shrieks that the chalk on the blackboard is



moving on its own. Everyone stares as the chalk begins to write something, starting with Miss Trunchbull's first name, Agatha. It continues to write, presumably a message also containing the names "Magnus" and "Jenny."

Miss Trunchbull begins to shriek, traumatized, and then faints dead away on the floor. Miss Honey sends someone to go fetch the nurse, and Nigel dumps the jug of water on Miss Trunchbull's face and she still does not wake up. The nurses and teachers come, and all are excited to see that someone has floored Miss Trunchbull at last.

News spreads later that day that Miss Trunchbull woke up, marched out of school, and did not come back the next day. Mr. Trilby, the Deputy Head, goes to investigate, and no one answers the door at her house. When he goes inside the unlocked door, he sees that all her clothes and belongings are gone. She has vanished.

The following day Miss Honey receives notice that her father's will has been mysteriously found, and that it grants Miss Honey ownership of the old red house in which Miss Trunchbull had been living. Mr. Trilby becomes the school's Head Teacher, and moves Matilda up to the top form with Miss Plimsoll immediately.

A few weeks later while having tea with Miss Honey in her house, Matilda tells her that she suddenly realized she is unable to move objects with her mind at all anymore. Miss Honey says she had been expecting something like that to happen, and says she believes the reason it started in the first place was that in Miss Honey's class in the lowest form, she had nothing to challenge her mind. When Matilda returns home that night, she sees a black car parked outside her house. Inside her house, the scene is chaotic as her parents try to pack up the house. They tell her to get going and pack, too, because the family is moving to Spain. Alarmed, Matilda runs back to Miss Honey's house and tells her parents are trying to move away and never come back. Matilda asks to stay here and live with Miss Honey, and



wonders if her parents would agree to give her up. Matilda begs her parents to allow her to stay with Miss Honey, and Miss Honey says she would raise the girl and it would not cost them a penny. They agree, proving again that they never truly cared about her. Matilda waves happily in Miss Honey's arms as her parents and brother speeding off into the distance.

NOTEBOOK WORK

Word Meaning-

- 1.extraordinary-very unusual
- 2.ethereal-heavenly
- 3.colossal-great
- 4.exhausted-very tired
- 5.impertinent-rude
- 6.bewildered-confused

Match the following-

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| 1.Matilda | a.father(3) |
| 2.Mrs.Wormwood | b.librarian(9) |
| 3.Mr.Wormwood | c.heroine(1) |
| 4.Fred | d.mother(2) |
| 5.Lavender | e.school teacher(7) |
| 6.Miss Trunchbull | f.chocolate cake (8) |
| 7.Miss Honey | g.neighbourhood friend (4) |
| 8.Bruce Bogtrotter | h.headmistress(6) |



9.Mrs Phelps

10.Mr Trilby

i.Deputy Head (10)

j.classmate (5)

Answer the following questions-

Q1. How does Matilda end up living with Miss Honey?

Ans. Miss Honey gets the house and the money , and ends up taking care of Matilda when her parents decide to move to Spain.

Q2. Why does Matilda lose her powers?

Ans. Matilda loses her powers because she is no longer in an oppressive environment.

Q3. Why did Matilda not go to Spain with her family?

Ans. Matilda did not go to Spain with her family because she loved her new school and Miss Honey.

