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LITERATURE S.1

Instructions: answer ALL questions

Time: 2 hrs.

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow;

Once upon a time, there lived a man and his wife. They had lived together for many years and yet they had no children of their own. They had consulted several medicine men and spent a lot of their wealth trying to get a cure for their childlessness but to no avail. This man really longed to have a child of his own who could inherit his property when he died. He kept praying to gods of his ancestors for a child.

One day while he was out taking care of his livestock, he found a strongly large egg. It looked like an Ostrich egg but it was bigger. He decided to take it home with him expecting to make a good meal of it .

However, when he got home, he found that his wife had cooked a delicious meal and therefore could not cook the egg that evening. It had to be kept for the next day. When the man came home the next evening, he found his wife waiting for him outside the house with a worried look on her face. 'What is the matter my dear wife?' he asked with concern. The wife was silent for a moment and then she said, 'it is that egg you brought home, I think it is a bad omen.' 'Just go in a see it your self,' said the wife. The man went into the house and could not believe his eyes he rushed outside to where his wife was. 'What did you do to that egg?' he asked very anxiously. It was a normal egg when I bought it . Now it looks like a gourd. 'I have not touched that egg my self' she said.

Questions:

1. Write a suitable title for the above passage
2. How many years had the man and wife lived?
3. What was he doing when found an egg?
4. How many children did the above have?
5. What happened to the egg?
6. Why was the wife silent?
7. Why did the girl want to know the meaning of the 'egg girl'?
8. What were the names of the daughter?
9. Why wasn't the man's wife happy?
- 10 how did the man and his daughter live after?
11. Write the meaning of the following words:
a). Childlessness b). Delicious c). Bad omen

(Refer to the whole story in the book)

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