

The Town Mouse And The Country Mouse

Questions And answer:

1. Why did the town mouse want to go to the countryside?

Answer: The town mouse wanted to go to the countryside as he had been ill with cough and doctor had advised him to spend a week in the countryside.

2. Describe the town mouse's experience in the countryside.

Answer: The town mouse's experience in the country was not that good. At first, he felt very uncomfortable inside the train and then as soon as he stepped down from the train, he felt horribly hot, he asked the country mouse for something ice-cold to drink but was disappointed in knowing that he had to quench his thirst only with plain water. Later that day, when he was dining with his cousin he felt it horrible to have raw food such as root and a tender bit of sugar-cane. He somehow nibbled them and escaped to sleep. The town mouse was offered the hard and cold ground as a bed to sleep which was really uncomfortable for him and he even missed the noise and sounds of

the cars, lorries which he was habituated of. The town mouse felt deprived of every comfort in the country that he was used to in the town.

3. What differences do you find between the country and the town?

Answer: There is a lot of differences between the country life and the town life. The country is quiet, silent. There is no hustle and bustle in it. One needs to search for food in the farm. But, one can eat with peace and sleep with silence.

Whereas, the town life is full of chaos and noise. There is no silence in the town. The noise of cars, aeroplanes, lorries can make one's headache. There might be lots of food to eat, but one has to do real struggle in order to have them.

4. How can you say that the town mouse could not enjoy the dinner offered by the country mouse?

Answer: The town mouse did not like the dinner at all. When he was given the root and the sugar-cane, he just nibbled them and said he wanted to sleep.

5. What would happen if the person who opened the cupboard found any of the mice?

Answer: If the person who opened the cupboard have found any of the mice, he would have tried to shoo it away or kill it.

6. Why did the town mouse travel in an ordinary train?

Answer: The town mouse travelled in an ordinary train because he was in a hurry to go to the countryside and there wasn't any air-conditioned coach available.

7. Why did the country mouse go back to his house in the country?

Answer: The country mouse found it dreadful in the town. The terrible noise of the traffic gave him a headache. Also, he was quite tired of running and hiding. So, the next day itself he went back to his house in the country.

8. How can you say that town mouse was not comfortable in the country?

Answer: We can say that the town mouse was not comfortable in the country when he was having his dinner. He just nibbled at the root and sugar-cane. He didn't like the silence of the country. The next morning it was unbelievable of him when he saw there wasn't any breakfast ready and that he would have to go to the nearest farm in search of food. So, he just left the next morning saying he had forgotten something and he have to leave early.

9. How are the streets of a town different from those of a village?

Answer: The streets of a town is chaotic and noisy. It always remains busy. We can find there lots of cars, lorries, buses etc. People are busy reaching their destination. There is always a hustle and bustle in the town streets. It is full of pollution. Whereas, the streets in a village is silent than that of the town. It is quite greener and we see bullock carts carrying people from one place to another. We also find children playing around. There is huge contrast between the two streets.

10. Describe the lifestyle of the country mouse in two or three sentences.

Answer: The country mouse led a very simple yet peaceful life. He used to have coconut water, ate roots and sugar-cane for dinner. He used to sleep in the corner of a room on the ground in a mouse hole. He never had breakfast or food ready. He had to search for food in the nearest farm.

11. "The town mouse and the country mouse did not visit each other again." Why? Give reasons for your answer.

Answer: The town mouse and the country mouse led completely different lifestyle. They never visited each other again because of the

uncomfortableness they experienced in each other's place.