# Class 7 The Selfish Giant

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# Who said these words and why?

# 1. " my own Garden is my own Garden"

Ans- The Giant said these words to himself because he was a selfish person who did not like other people using his things.

# 2." Spring has forgotten this garden, so we will live here all the year round."

Ans- Frost and snow said these words for although spring had arrived and all over the country flowers were blossoming and birds were chirping, the garden of selfish giant still reeled under winter.

# 3." How happy we were there!"

Ans- The children said these words because they were very unhappy after the Giant drove them away from his garden. Now they had no place to play.

# 4." This is a delightful spot, we must ask the Hail to visit us."

Ans- The North wind said these words because when it visited the garden it was covered in Frost and snow. He found the place to his liking and wanted to make it colder and more suited to its taste.

# 5." Climb up, little boy! "

Ans- A tree said these words to a little boy who was trying hard to climb up its branches but was unable to do so because of his small size.

#### C. Answer the question.

#### 1. Why did spring not come to the Giant's garden?

-- Spring did not come to the Giant's garden because he was selfish and did not allow the children to play in his garden.

#### 2. What did Frost and snow do in the garden?

-- The Frost and the snow decided to live all the year round in the garden. The snow covered the grass with her great white cloak, and the Frost painted all the trees silver. They also invited the North wind to stay with them.

#### 3. What made the spring finally visit the garden?

-- The spring finally visited the garden when it saw the children playing in the garden again.

4." How selfish I have been!" From this statement we know that the Giant has realized his mistake.

#### a. What was his mistake?

-- His mistake was that he did not let children play in garden.

## b. What made him realize his mistake?

-- One morning the Giant was lying awake in bed when he heard some lovely music. It was a little Linnet singing outside his window, but it was so long since he had heard a bird sing in his garden. He jumped out of bed and looked out, he saw through a little hole in the wall the children had crept in, and they were sitting in the branches of the trees. The trees and the birds were very happy to have the children back. The trees covered themselves with blossoms, the birds were flying and twittering with delight, but in one corner of his garden it was still winter, because a little boy could not reach up to the branches of the tree. The Giant's heart melted as he looked out, and he realized his mistake.

## 5. How do we know the Giant sincerely felt sorry for his action?

-- The Giant took a great axe and knocked down the wall of his garden and told the children that it was their garden.

#### D. Think and answer.

#### 1. Is there a moral in this story? If yes, what is it?

-- yes, there is a moral in the story. If a person is selfish and only thinks about their own interests they will have to suffer for it badly. Another moral value that we can draw from it is that mother nature loves those who love children.

# 2. ( do it by yourself at home)

#### 3. What do spring and winter symbolize in this story?

-- Spring symbolizes reward and bountifulness of nature as it gave flowers and greenery to the Giant's garden. Winter symbolizes punishment that the Giant got for being selfish.