

## NCERT Solutions for Class 7 English Honeycomb Chapter 6

### Expert Detectives Class 7

#### Chapter 6 Expert Detectives Exercise Answers & Summary

**Comprehension check :** Solutions of Questions on Page Number : 89

**Q1 :**

**What did Nishad give Mr Nath? Why?**

**Answer :**

Nishad gave Mr Nath a bar of chocolate. He did so because he thought Mr Nath was starving.

**Q2 :**

**What is “strange” about Mr Nath's Sundays?**

**Answer :**

The strange thing about Mr Nath's Sundays was that almost every Sunday, Ramesh carried two lunches to Mr Nath's room and the same man was with him each time. He was tall, fair, stout, and wore spectacles. Ramesh said that his visitor talked a lot, unlike Mr Nath who hardly spoke.

**Q3 :**

**Why did Nishad and Maya get a holiday?**

**Answer :**

Nishad and Maya got a holiday because of a heavy downpour. The streets were flooded due to the rain. Since no traffic could move through the flooded roads, they got a holiday.

**Working with the text :** Solutions of Questions on Page Number : 93

**Q1 :**

**What does Nishad find out about Mr Nath from Ramesh? Arrange the information as suggested below.**

- What he eats
- When he eats
- What he drinks, and when
- How he pays

**Answer :**

Ramesh told Nishad that Mr Nath was not very particular about what he ate. It was always the same food - two *chapattis*, some *dal* and a vegetable. He used to have this food in the morning and in the evening. Mr Nath would drink tea once in the morning and once in the afternoon. Ramesh said that Mr Nath would pay in cash and was also a generous tipper.

**Q2 :**

**Why does Maya think Mr Nath is a crook? Who does she say the Sunday visitor is?**

**Answer :**

Maya thought that Mr Nath was a crook because he had a strange appearance. He did not work but always had money to order his meals from restaurants, and even gave tips. The tenants at Shankar House said that he was mad, strange and unfriendly. He sat in his room all day, and nobody except a spectacled, fair, fat man visited him. He had no friends and she thought that it was so because he feared someone might recognise him and inform the police. She thought that the Sunday visitor was his accomplice in crime. She said that the visitor perhaps kept all the loot, and would come now and then to give a part of it to his partner for expenses.

**Q3 :**

**Does Nishad agree with Maya about Mr Nath? How does he feel about him?**

**Answer :**

No, Nishad did not agree with Maya about Mr Nath. He wanted to find out why Mr Nath was so thin and so lonely. He also wanted to know why he did not have any friends and lived alone. When Maya said that he did so because he feared someone might recognise him and inform the police, Nishad responded by saying that perhaps no one had ever tried to make friends with him. He finally said that he liked Mr Nath and was going to try and be his friend. Maya's theories did not make any impression on him.

**Working with language :** Solutions of Questions on Page Number : 93

**Q1 :**

**The word 'tip' has only three letters but many meanings. Match the word with its meanings below.**

- (i) finger tips - be about to say something
- (ii) the tip of your nose - make the boat overturn
- (iii) tip the water out of the bucket - the ends of one's fingers
- (iv) have something on the tip of your tongue - give a rupee to him, to thank him
- (v) tip the boat over - empty a bucket by tilting it
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**Q2 :**

The words helper, companion, partner and accomplice have very similar meanings. But each word is typically used in certain phrases. Can you fill in the blanks below with the most commonly used words? A dictionary may help you.

- (i) business \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) my \_\_\_\_\_ on the journey
- (iii) I'm mother's little \_\_\_\_\_
- (iv) a faithful \_\_\_\_\_ such as a dog
- (v) the thief's \_\_\_\_\_
- (vi) find a good \_\_\_\_\_
- (vii) tennis/golf/bridge \_\_\_\_\_
- (viii) his \_\_\_\_\_ in his criminal activities

**Answer :**

- (i) business partner
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**Q3 :**

Now let us look at the uses of the word *break*. Match the word with its meanings below. Try to find at least three other ways in which to use the word.

- (i) The storm broke - could not speak; was too sad to speak
- (ii) daybreak - this kind of weather ended
- (iii) His voice is beginning to break - it began or burst into activity
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