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Worksheet No: 10	Topic: THE TEA KETTLE <u>QUESTION BANK</u>	Note: To be done in English notebook

A1. CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTIONS TO ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS.

- Where did the priest live?
 - Kozuke province in Japan**
 - Shikoku province in Japan
 - In a province in Korea
 - none of these
- What was the ancient tea ceremony called?
 - Badger tea ceremony
 - bumbuku
 - cha-no-yu**
 - chai-no-yu
- How much did the priest pay for the bronze tea kettle?
 - Four rin
 - Two rin
 - Five rin
 - Three rin**
- Who was the kettle in reality?
 - A trained circus animal
 - A badger -tea kettle
 - A metal kettle
 - The prince of badger kettles**

A2. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- What happened when a novice rubbed the tea kettle?
- What happened when the priest fell asleep?
- How did the novices react when they saw the tea kettle dance?
- How did the priest get rid of the tea kettle?
- What requests did the badger make to the tinker?
- Describe the bond between the kettle and the tinker?

Answers A2

- When a novice rubbed the kettle, it shone like gold.
- When the priest slept, the kettle moved, and a hairy head appeared with two eyes and four paws.
- The novices were shocked on watching the kettle dance and tried to catch it.
- The priest sold the kettle to a tinker for twenty copper coins.
- The badger requested a number of things to the tinker. The badger would like

- to chat now and then
 - to eat rice, and beans, and sweet things.
 - to allow him in his bed at night as it gets cold.
6. The kettle and the tinker became very good friends. The kettle entertained people and earned money for the tinker.

A3. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS WITH REFERENCE TO THE CONTEXT:

1. He was the talk of the town and very soon, they were minting money.
 - a. Who was the talk of the town?
 - b. How did he become the talk of the town?
 - c. Who were minting money and how?
2. *Are you poor, tinker?*
 - a. Who is the speaker here?
 - b. Why did the speaker say so?
 - c. What did the speaker do to help the tinker?
3. *I would like to be given to the Morinji temple as a sacred treasure.*
 - a. Who is the speaker? When does he say this?
 - b. Who did he express his wish to?
 - c. Why did he want to be given away to the temple?

Answers A3

- 1.a. The Tea kettle was the talk of the town.
- 1.b. The tinker organized shows and the kettle danced, sang, cracked jokes, and entertained people.
- 1.c. The tinker and the tea kettle were minting money by organizing shows.

- 2.a. The Tea kettle is the speaker.
- 2.b. The tea kettle saw the tinker's lifestyle and realized that he was poor.
- 2.c. The speaker danced, sang, and entertained people to help the tinker.

- 3.a. The tea kettle said this when his time was over, and he was about to die.
- 3.b. He expressed his wish to the tinker.
- 3c. He wanted to be given away to the temple as a sacred treasure so the saints could worship it.

A4. THINK AND ANSWER:

1. How was the attitude of the tinker different from that of the people at the temple? Did it work in his favour? Give reasons.
2. How did the tea kettle prove to be a true friend to the tinker?
3. The tinker was unhappy to part with the badger kettle, but he honoured its wish and gave it away to the temple. Along with the badger, he also gave away half of the wealth earned. Comment on the character of the tinker with the reference to this act.

Answers A4

1. Unlike the people at the temple, the tinker was calm when he saw the badger. He gave the badger a chance to speak and acted as a good listener. This worked in his favour as the kettle then helped the tinker become rich.
2. The tea kettle proved to be a true friend because he spent most of his life helping the tinker organize shows and earn money.
3. The tinker was a very humble man, he was a good listener, a kind friend, and a wise man. He wasn't greedy after all the money he earned with the help of the kettle. He was unhappy to part ways with the kettle not because it would stop his income, but because of his emotional connect with the kettle. His act of donating half the wealth to the temple shows how generous and kindhearted fellow.
