

**CLASS: 7**

**SUBJECT: ENGLISH**

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**LESSON 3 (THE GIFT OF THE MAGI)**

**Q-1 Answer with reference to the context:**

1) "Give it to me quick

a. Who said these words and to whom?

Ans. Della said these words to the owner of the shop Madame Sofronie.

b. What does it refer to?

Ans. 'It' refers to the money

c. Do you think that the speaker was in a hurry? Why?

Ans. Yes the speaker was in a hurry because she wanted to buy Christmas present for her husband

2) "You don't know what a nice-what a beautiful, nice gift I've got for you"

a. Who said these words and to whom?

Ans. Della said these words to her husband Jim.

b. What is the gift being referred to in the above lines?

Ans. The platinum fob chain is being referred here.

c. Why did the speaker buy the gift? What was the occasion?

Ans. The speaker bought the gift for her husband. It was Christmas Eve.

**Q -2 Who were the Magi? Do you think the title of the story is apt? Why did the author call it as an uneventful chronicle'?**

Ans. The Magi were the wise men-wonderfully wise men who brought gifts to the Babe in the manger. They invented the art of giving Christmas presents. Yes, I agree with the title of the story. The author called it an uneventful chronicle because of the couple who most unwisely sacrificed for each other the greatest treasures of their house.

**Answer the following questions:**

**Q-1 Why did Della cry on Christmas Eve?**

Ans-Delila didn't have enough money to buy Christmas present for her husband Jim, that's why she cried on Christmas Eve.

**Q-2 What was the amount that Della had saved to buy im a gift?**

Ans - Della had saved one dollar and eighty seven cents to buy Jim a gift.

**Q-3 Describe what Della looked like after the haircut.**

Ans- Della looked like a Coney Island chorus girl after the haircut.

**Q4- How did Della react when she heard Jim's steps on the stairs and what did she whisper?**

Ans- Della turned white for a moment and prayed silently to God when she heard Jim's steps on the stairs.

**Q5- What were the two possessions in which Jim and Della took great pride?**

Ans-Jim's gold watch and Della's beautiful hair were the two possessions in which Jim and Della took great pride.