Welland Gouldsmith School English Literature worksheet

Class: 3

The Needle to Heaven is a story about a very rich man named Duni Chand who invited Guru Nanak to a grand feast at his palace. He boasted of his wealth and possession, served the most delicious food to all the rich and famous guests present at the feast in his grand palace. At the dinner he wanted to do something for Guru Nanak since he was the richest man. Guru Nanak takes a needle out of his pocket and tells him to keep it for him safely and returned it in heaven. On hearing his wife laugh at the Guru's request he rushes to the Guru and admits that he will be unable to take the needle to heaven after he dies. And then also realizes that his wealth will not belong to him after he dies. So he begins to serve the poor and needy in his community.

- A. After reading the chapter answer the following questions.
 - a) What information did Duni Chand get one day? What did he do?
 - b) Duni Chand was 'surrounded by all the luxuries of life'. Explain.
 - c) What job did Guru Nanak entrust Duni Chand with?
 - d) Why did Duni Chand's wife laugh at him?
 - e) 'Duni Chand was quiet as he began to realize the truth'. What truth did Duni Chand begin to realize?
 - f) What 'sewa' had Duni Chand done that made him a 'much-loved' man?
- B. Write the new words and their meanings.
 - a) entrusted
 - b) gushed
 - c) last respects
 - d) preach
 - e) self importance
 - f) see off
- D. Write Who said to Whom?
 - a) "You silly man!"
 - b) "It will be the best evening of your life,"
 - c) "Holy Sir, please don't hesitate to ask,"
- E. Make sentences of your **own** with:
 - a) surrounded by
 - b) rushed out
 - c) in the end
 - d) enjoyed themselves
 - e) much-loved man
- F. Do assignment **in the text** 'English Reader'; page15, exercise 1; page 16, exercise 2 and 3.