



## CLASS NOTES-ANSWERS

### Reading Comprehension

**A. Number these sentences in the order in which the events occur in the story.**

- 1) Tom and his cousin wanted to go for a swim.
- 2) Tom saw his friend Ben Rogers coming along the street.
- 3) Ben begged Tom for a chance to whitewash the fence.
- 4) It was a warm, bright Sunday.
- 5) Tom told Ben that whitewashing was a lot of fun.
- 6) Aunt Polly wanted Tom to whitewash the fence.
- 7) Before the afternoon was over, the fence had three coats of whitewash on it.
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### Answers:

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**B. Answer these questions.**

1) How did Tom plan to spend the morning?

**Answer:** It was a warm, bright Sunday morning and Tom planned to go swimming with his friends.

2) What did Aunt Polly want Tom to do?

**Answer:** Aunt Polly wanted Tom to whitewash the fence.

3) 'A brilliant idea came to his mind.' Explain what the brilliant idea was.

**Answer:** Tom's brilliant idea was to make his friend Ben Rogers whitewash the fence, while he could sit back and enjoy his Sunday.

4) What did Ben give Tom in exchange for a chance to whitewash?

**Answer:** Ben gave Tom the juicy, red apple he was eating in exchange for a chance to whitewash the fence.

5) What happened before the afternoon was over?

**Answer:** The fence had three coats of whitewash before the afternoon was over. It was looking spotlessly white.

6) According to you, what kind of a person was Tom? Give reasons for your answer.

**Answer:** Tom was a very clever boy who knew how to get what he wanted. He could easily fool his friends and make them do the whitewashing. He ensured that Aunt Polly was delighted.