#### **MANNING UP- Agastya 10B**

Everyone was just waiting for the bell to ring. Who isn't when it is the last day of the college before the vacation. Jai and Arjun were both very anxious. Abheer who was sitting in the bench next to them was nearly asleep. As soon as the bell rang, the class exploded into chatter as most of their classmates ran out of the class. Abheer joined Jai and Arjun out of the class. They were to leave Jaipur to Gulmarg in 2 days. The flight was to Srinagar from the Sanganer airport.

All of them had packed their bags and were eager to leave. Jai was saying," ...leave, really enjoy skiing, sure would take a day to acclimatise but the next few days would be great", as Abheer joined them. Arjun replied, "Same can't wait to ski." The truth was that Abheer didn't know how to ski. But, still wanted to go with them. Abheer just wanted to enjoy his trip.

The next few days were uneventful and they left for their flight. Jai and Arjun were to sit together. The flight wasn't too long just a 3 hour flight. It was a 40 km car ride after which, they checked into their hotel. Jai and Arjun asked Abheer, "Are you coming to ski?", to which Abheer replied, "Nah, still don't feel so good". However, this was a lie. The truth was that he didn't know how to ski. Abheer just stayed at his hotel room. He was too scared to admit that he didn't know how to ski. His mates were almost forcing him to ski.

The next day, he spent his time indoors but, he still wanted to go skiing. He was the only one staying at hotel. Finally, he got the courage and after 2 days, Abheer wanted to join his friends skiing. Even though he was scared he didn't want to get left out. Finally, he asked his friends to teach him to ski. He embarrassingly asked them, "Aye, Jai,...I don't know to ski, so,... can u like teach me to skeee". Both Arjun and Jai had a good laugh. They made fun of him, but finally agreed to teach him how to ski.

The next day, Abheer tried to ski. He was scared out of his boots, but finally learned to ski. In the process, he fell and nearly broke his arm. Bu he pushed through and by the end he learned to ski. He was a beginner and still learning but, was able to control his ski board. While learning to ski, he finally became close to both his mates, Jai and Arjun. By the time they returned, all of them had become closer and came to be good friends.

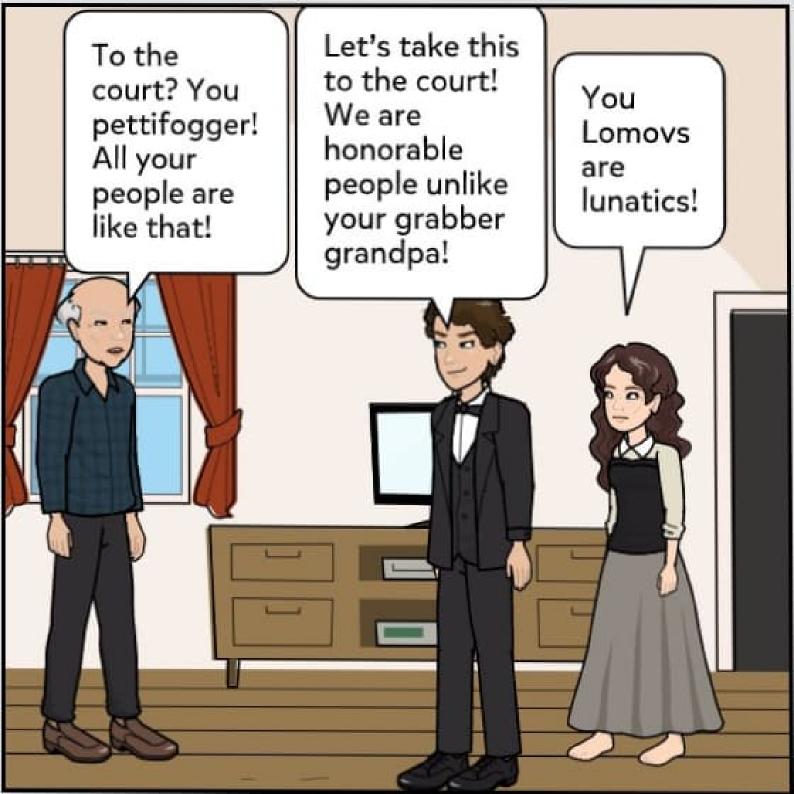
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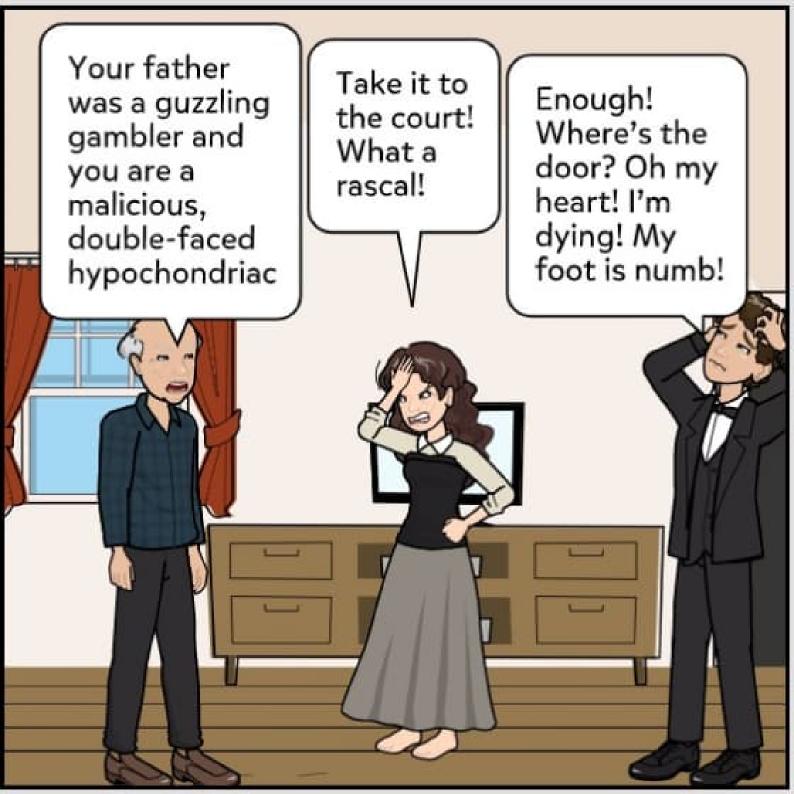
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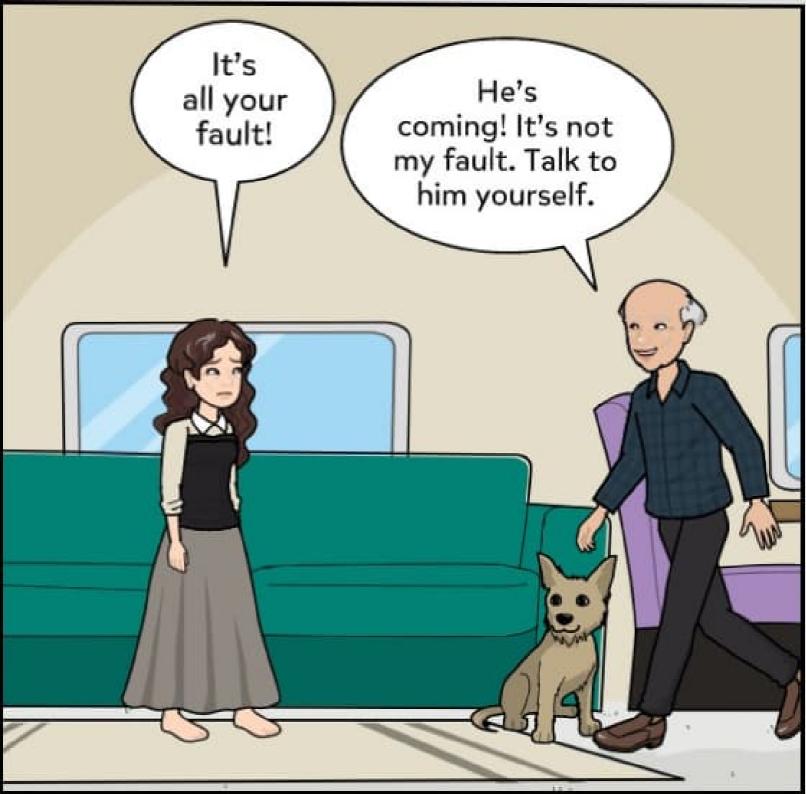
When Lomov comes to propose to his neighbour Natalya, they get into a heated argument...



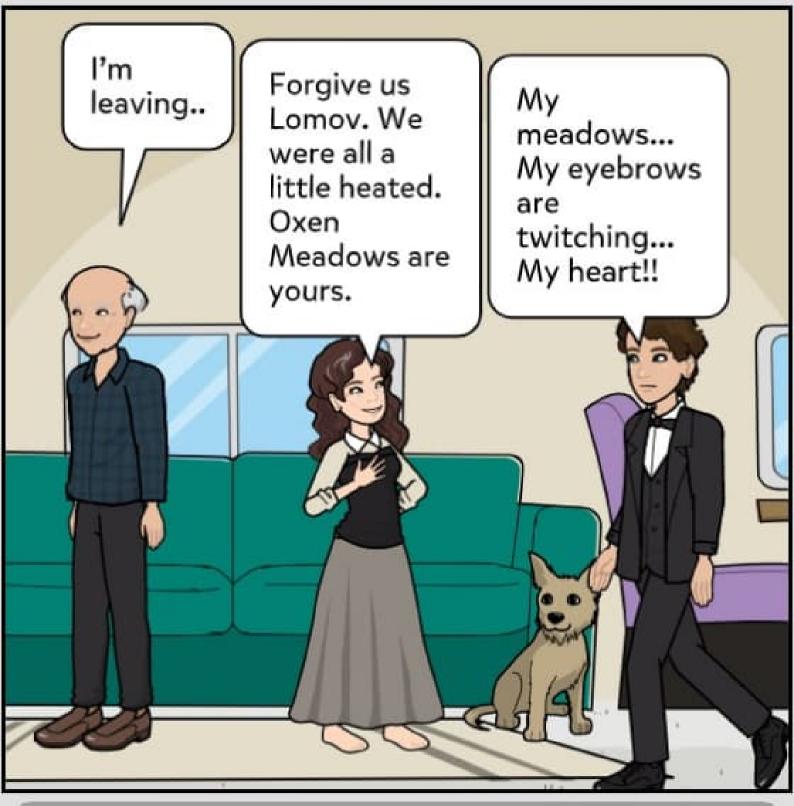


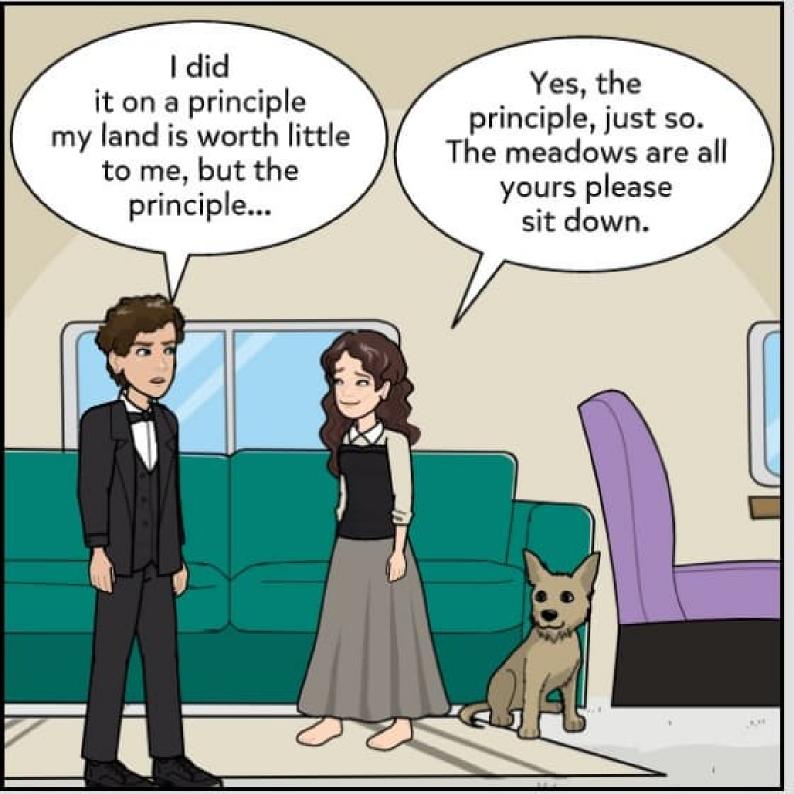








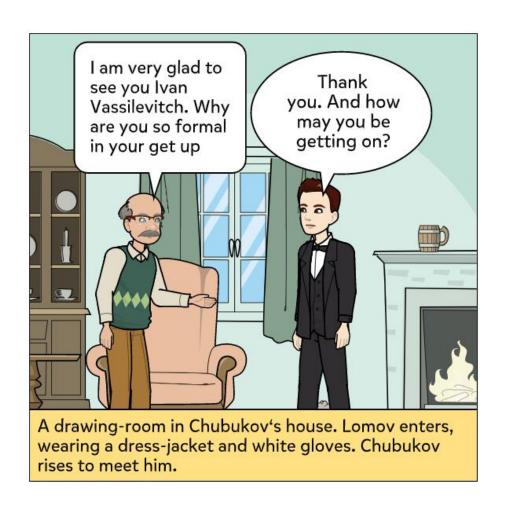


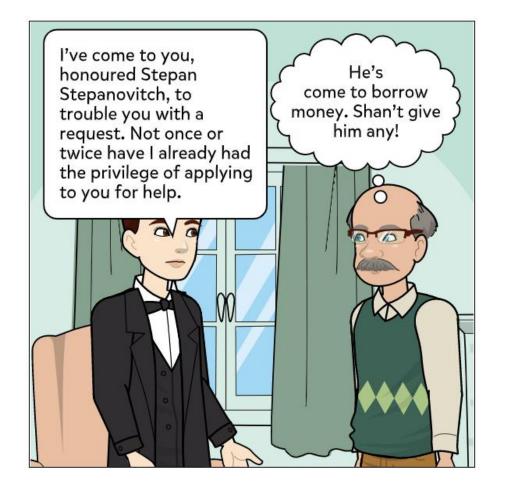


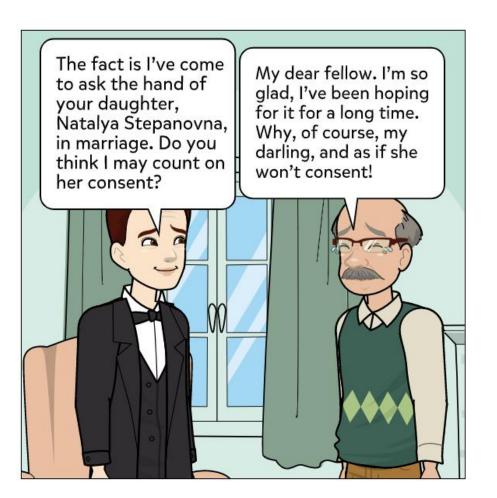


Finally after another heated argument, Lomov successfully proposed to Natalya and the quarrelsome couple agreed to get married!

## The Proposal

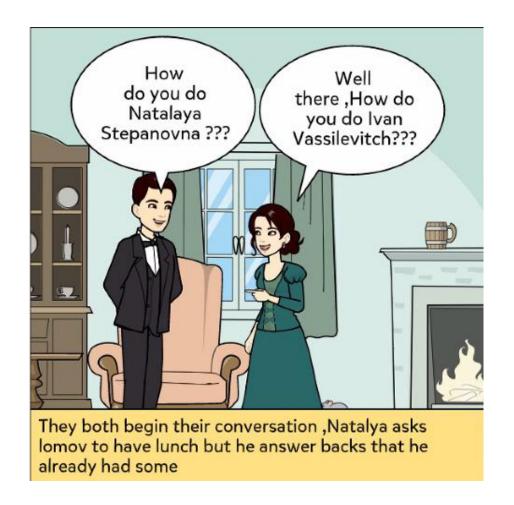


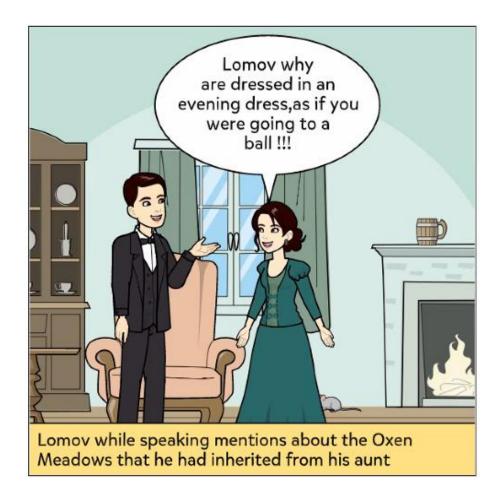




The great thing is, I must have my mind made up. If I give myself time to think, to hesitate, to talk a lot, to look for an ideal, or for real love, then I'll never get married. Natalya Stepanovna is an excellent housekeeper, not bad-looking, well-educated. What more do I want? And it's impossible for me not to marry.





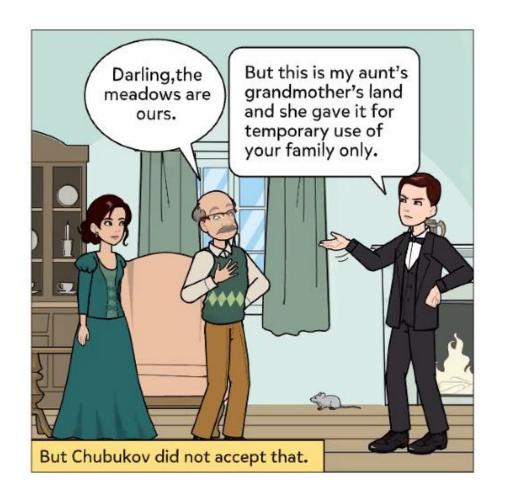


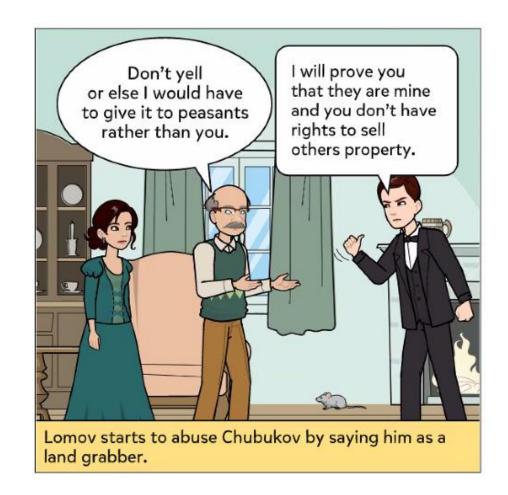


They both begin to argue about the ownership of Oxen Meadows ,which ultimately turns to be a big fight



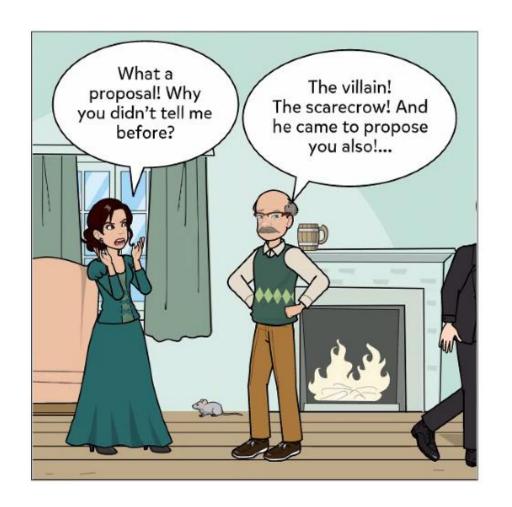
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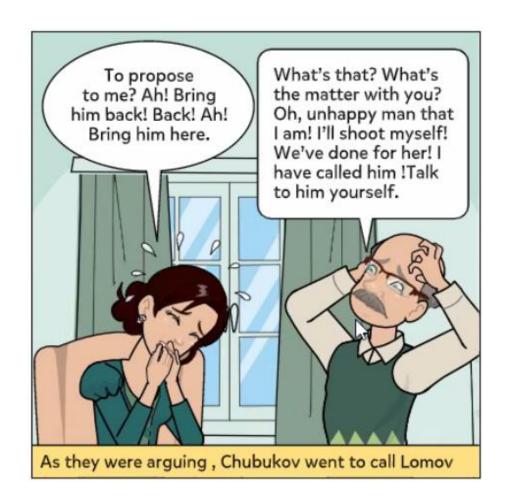






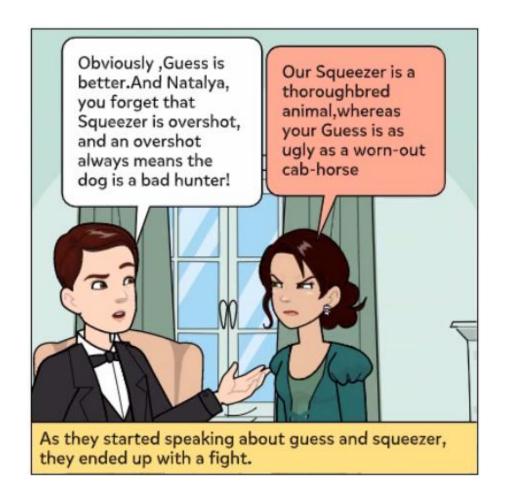




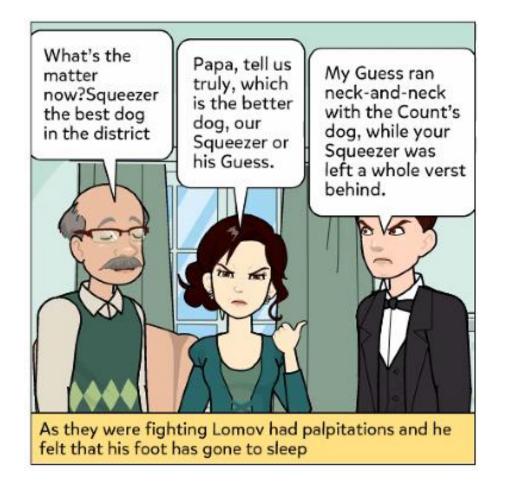




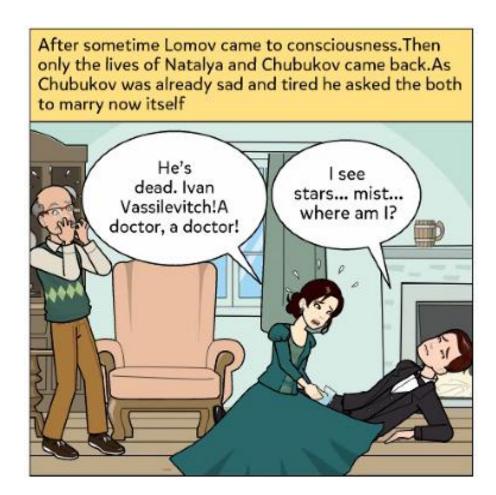
Even after Natalya agrees, Lomov continues to talk about the Oxen meadows. I'm thinking of having a go Yes, yes, at the blackcock, after the let that pass.Are harvest.What a misfortune you going to start shooting soon? I've had! My dog Guess, has gone lame











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### The End