

I Want Something in a Cage

CLASS VII



KEY WORDS

Prescribed: suggested

Lingered: loitered

Ornate: decorated

Briskly: quickly

Whispered: speak in slow voice

Abandoned: deserted

Genial: pleasant, cordial

SUMMARY

- Mr. Purcell was a short, fussy, professional man who wore large glasses making him look like a friendly, wise owl. He had a pet shop which had all necessary items required for care of animals and birds. The noise made by the caged animals did not bother him. Generally his shop used to have a lot of customers however one cold day he waited for customers but none came.
- So he sat on a stool and started reading the newspaper when suddenly he noticed a man standing. He wondered how the man had arrived since he did not make any sound. Anyhow, as a good shopkeeper he attended to his customer.

- The man told Mr. Purcell that he desired for something in a cage. The man then bought a pair of doves for 5 dollars. The man told Mr. Purcell that he had made this much money through ten years of hard work in prison . Then the shopkeeper saw a very astonishing sight the man released the cage birds as soon as he left the shop.
- The shopkeeper thought of it as a waste of money but he did not realize that the man knew the feeling of being locked up thus he set the birds free because he had realized the importance of freedom.