

Act III scene I

1. What did the Mayor do to prevent the people from complaining to Hlest ?

He ordered the constable to prevent people from getting into the house especially the tradesmen and told him that if any of them could get in they should make sure that he didn't have a petition against the mayor then throw him out .

2-Compare between the Mayor's feeling and his wife's towards Hlest ?

The mayor shocked of fright in Helest's presence and he felt as if he was going to be hung ,while Anna saw Helest as a well-born, cultured man of the world .She praised his delicacy and grace. She didn't feel timid (shy and perplexed) in his presence

3. Yousif could make good use of the whole situation .Discuss OR Yousif was a cunning peasant . Discuss .

When Mayor asked Yosif about his master; his likes and dislikes, Yosif decided to make use of that interest to his advantages. He backed up his master's lies and said that the most important thing that his master liked was being received well and that he liked generous hospitable people. The Mayor here was deceived and decided to show generosity to Yosif, so he gave him some money, and so did Anna his wife to show thankfulness for the valuable information he gave them about his master, the General Inspector.

4. What did the Charity Commissioner say to Hlest about the judge , the SS and the postman ?

He said that the school super intendant put evil ideas into the minds of the young.The judge spent all his time coursing ,the court was full of dogs and he had an illegal relation with Dob-chinsky's wife .While the postman's department is in chaos and the mails were delayed for days.

5. What were the Sergeant's wife and the Locksmith's wife complaints against the Mayor ?

The Loksmith's wife said that the mayor sent her husband for a solidier . It wasn't his turn and that was illegal as he was a married man ,while he left the tailor's son because his parents bribe him .

The sergeant 's wife said that two peasant women were fighting in the market ,the police Came and reported her by mistake .As a result she was flogged, therefore the mayor ought to be fined.

6. Why did Yousif advise Hlest to leave ?

Yousif told Helst that they mistook him for another person that might arrive anytime ,so they have to leave before revealing their reality ,besides his father would be angry with him if he delayed any more in his way so they have to leave as soon as possible

7. What did the three merchants complain about ?

The merchants said that they always suffered cruel wrong from the mayor he ruined them by billeting soldiers on them. They bribed him in all occasions ,yet he wasn't satisfied. The one who dared to protest against those actions would be tortured or flogged. He took their goods for nothing. They always hid things from him when he came to their shops. He's nothing but a brigand.

8" They're such liars , always cheating people !" Comment .

The mayor said these words to Helst to defend himself after the merchants and the women's complaints. He tried to back up himself by saying that they cheat people and always give short measure..

Act III scene II

9-What hopes did the Mayor have after Hlest's proposal to marry Mary ?

After Hlestakov had asked Marya's hand in marriage. The the mayor and his wife were so excited and dreaming of what they might do after such great honour. Anna told her husband that it was so marvelous to him to have such a great honour as he was a simple man. He answered saying that he was not so bad himself, but there was a great future waiting for them and lots of nice thing to be achieved. He decided to be rough and hard with the merchants who had complained to Hlestakov

10- Why did the postmaster open Hlest's letter ?

When the post master noticed the address written on the envelope he saw(post office street ,Petresburg) He thought that Helst wrote a report about him so he decided to unseal the letter and read its content.

11-Hlest's letter shows that they had been easily cheated . Discuss .

In his letter Hlestakov told his friend how he succeeded in deceiving everyone in the town as they believed him to be an inspector. He also told him how he lived in the Mayor's house, carrying on flirtations (flirting) with his wife and daughter. Hlestakov kept on making fun of the Postmaster, the SS, CC and the Judge.Also he was so cunning that he managed to take a big sum of money from each one of them

12-."We've become birds of a different feather now ! Now we can fly high" Comment .

These words were said by the Mayor to his wife, Anna when they were alone after Hlestakov had asked Marya's hand in marriage. They were so excited and dreaming of what they might do after such great honour. Anna told her husband that it was so marvelous to him to have such a great honour as he was a simple man. He answered saying that he was not so bad himself, but there was a great future waiting for them and lots of nice thing to be achieved. He decided to be rough and hard with the merchants who __had complained to Hlestakov

13-- What was the misunderstanding that had happened between both Hlestakov and the Mayor?

The Mayor believed that HJestakov was the Government Inspector so he treated him with great respect and fear. He apologized for him for the bad treatment he received in the inn. The Mayor even confessed his mistakes and little sins in front of Hlestakov. Hlestakov thought that the Mayor came to take him to prison according to the inn keeper's complaint. So he started to threaten them that he would go to the minister to tell him that they didn't respect people and treated them badly.

14-"The play starts and ends with the same piece of news." Comment.

The play starts with the news of the arrival of the Inspector-General and also ends by the same news. But the first news was about a false inspector. As the Mayor was so frightened of the arrival of this inspector, he was very easily deceived. Hlesta-Jcov took advantage of this misunderstanding. But the second news was right as the £fill in, spgrtnrj^irip_m_ <t Keir town and so the Mayor was more scared than before