

The Mask

Answer these questions.

1. "After all he's already had one shock and..." who received the shock? What was it? What was the speaker suggesting?

Ans The shock was received by Rajen Babu. He received a threatening letter with words cut out from newspapers. The letter read "~~Be~~ Be prepared to pay for your sins!". The speaker was suggesting that Rajen Babu should not be told that his son was in town so as not to upset him further.

2. Why do you think Tinkorji Babu actually came to Darjeeling? In what way did the purpose of his visit change?

Ans Tinkorji Babu came to Darjeeling

to Perhaps take a holiday or maybe for a change of scene. But when he found out that Rajen Babu was the same person who tripped him and upset him as a boy he decided to change the purpose of his visit and use the ~~opportunity~~ opportunity to take revenge.

3. "I can't tell you... how I spent the night"? Who said these words? What had happened to frighten him so?

Ans These words were said by ~~the~~ Rajen Babu. He had woken up in the middle of the night to the

sight of a masked face
bending over him.

4. Why was everyone surprised to find out who the culprit was? Giving examples, say how the culprit managed to prevent anyone from suspecting him.

Ans Everyone was surprised to find out who the culprit was because from the very beginning he only showed care and concern for Rajen Babu. He also very cleverly provided several reasons for other people to have committed the crime ~~while~~ while appearing genuinely interested in ensuring that the case was solved for example he called Ghosal a crook

and showed him in a bad light thus giving reasons for feluda to suspect him. He also came up with reasons to support feluda's theory about why Ghosal could be the culprit thus imprinting it in people's minds that Ghosal was a man not to be trusted. He also stressed on the need to hide the fact that Prabeer Majumdar was in town from Rajen Babu. This would delay the possibility of ~~the~~ father and son meeting and also perhaps prevent feluda from investing him. Rajen babu was lying in bed, he fanned him thus showing the others

that he was deeply concerned about his well being. After he was satisfied with what he had done he made a quick escape to prevent anyone from questioning him. Before leaving he also offered him to get the police involved. By doing this he ensured that no one would suspect him.

5. Would you agree that Feluda is a good detective? Give reasons in support of your answer.

Ans Yes, Feluda ~~was~~ is a good detective. As soon as he visited Rajen Babu he made a list of people that were in touch with him to find out if anyone had

any motive to frighten
Rajen babu he even
investigated Ghosal and
found out he was getting
some new antique pieces
this tells us that he
was quick to act and
was methodic in his
approach on his own
he found out that ~~prabhu~~
Prabhu Majumdar ~~had~~ had
visited Darjeeling and found
out that there were
problems between him
and his father and
gave him a reason
to commit the crime.