

CBSE Class 09 English Language and Literature Revision Notes Moments Chapter-4

In the Kingdom of Fools by A.K. Ramanujan

- In the Kingdom of Fools the king and the minister were idiots.
- They decided to change night into day and day into night.
- They made a rule that all the activities to be done in the day should be performed at night and they should sleep as soon as the sun rises. Anyone who violated the rule would be punished with death.
- One day a guru and his disciple came to their city. They were amazed at what they saw. In the evening the town became active.
- They went to buy some groceries and were surprised to know that they could buy anything for a single duddu.
- The guru realized that it was a city of fools and left. But the disciple remained there for everything was cheap there.
- One day a thief broke into a rich merchants house. The wall of the house collapsed and killed the thief.
- The incident was investigated and finally the rich merchant was ordered death by the king.
- As the merchant, could not fit the stake for execution, the king asked his men to find a fat man for execution.
- The soldiers immediately took the disciple for execution who had turned very fat.
- He remembered his wise guru's words. He prayed to his guru in his heart, The guru at once came to save his disciple.
- The guru tried to confuse the king by saying that whoever dies first will be the king and the next will be the minister in the next incarnation.
- The king and the minister disguised themselves as the two and were taken to the stake and executed.
- Finally the guru and the disciple agree to rule the kingdom and change old laws.