

THE LOST CHILD

(Page 6) Think about it:

- 1. While his parents are going ahead with the intention of reaching the fair, the child enjoys every beauty of nature's creation. The child enjoys the sight of a dragon fly fluttering.
- Next moment, he is engrossed in collecting beautiful flower petals.
- He is appreciating the cooing of doves.
- The child is delightful about collecting the shower of flowers. The child is enjoying the beauty of nature and keeps lagging behind with his parents on the way.

2. Like any child, he wants everything from the fair but he knows that his father won't allow him from buying anything for him and would give some give some excuse for not doing so. This shows that the child has matured as well. He knows how to control his urges. He also understands that because of some reasons he won't be able to have each and every thing from the fair.

He may not understand the right reason for his father refusing to get most of the things for him. Like all good parents, his father may be wishing not spoil his child.

3. When the child wants to get a ride on the roundabout and calls for his parents, he gets no reply. The child looks to his front and back as well as left and right. Then the child moves to and fro in search of his parents. Then the child realises he is lost and separated from his parents.

His anxiety has been described by explaining how the child reacts and tries to find his parents. He cries to a number of times, refusing to take anything offered by the man who found him.

4. The lost child loses interest in the things that he had wanted earlier because he was panic- stricken on being separated from his parents. All he wanted was to be united with them. All the things that attracted him in the fair no longer appealed to him and now the only thing that mattered is finding his parents.

5. Although, this is not mentioned in the story, in the end, the parents, who continuously kept checking to see that he was with them, may have suddenly realised that he was missing and came looking for the lost child.

The kind and helpful man who tried to console the little boy by offering him various things at the fair may have also asked him for some description about his parents and helped him to re unite with his parents.