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Subject - Appreciation of
English Literary Text

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The Vendor of Sweets by R.K Narayan (Chapters 1-5)

- 1) Read the Chapters 1-5 of the novel *The Vendor of Sweets* and answer the questions given below.
 - I. Who is the author of *The Vendor of Sweets*?
 - II. Who is the vendor of sweets in Narayan's novel of the same name?
 - III. Who is the protagonist in the novel?
 - IV. What is the profession of Jagan?
 - V. Who does Jagan follow?
 - VI. By the end of the chapter two, what is Jagan manipulating?
 - VII. How does this vendor of sweets represent a profile of Indian society?
 - VIII. What are the characteristics of Jagan in vendor of sweets?
 - IX. Where does Jagan meet his son?
 - X. What is Jagan's book about?

- 2) Summarize chapter three of *The Vendor of Sweets*?

- 3) Read the following extract and answer the questions given below.

Matters became worse when Mali indicated at his side and said, " This is Grace. We are married. Grace, my dad." Complete confusion. Married? When were you Married? You didn't tell me. Don't you have to tell your father? Who is She? Anyway, she Looks like a

chinese. Don't you know that one can't marry a chinese nowadays? They have Invaded our borders or perhaps she is a Japanese. How was one to find out? Any indiscreet question might upset the gentleman with the camera. Jagan threw panicky look at his cousin and Bed on the pretext of supervising the loading of the baggage into Gaffur's taxi outside. gaping crowd followed them to the car murmuring, He's come from America. " Mali took notice Gaffur by saying, " Jalopy going strong?" Gaffur did not understand the word "jalopy".

- I. What is the situation given in the passage? Where does it take place?
- II. Why was Jagan confused?
- III. Explain the meaning of the following words.
 - indiscreet
 - gaping
- IV. What state of mind is reflected by Jagan's behaviour?