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Bringing Tony Home

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1. Write in your own words.

1.) *"Not because we had become poor and were shifting to half a house; I was too young to understand the implications of that,..."*

2.) *"The grey woman and her son with the square face were staring at me like I was the craziest thing they had encountered in their lives."*

3.) *"There was pandemonium in the village when his, other started screaming as if someone was dead".*

4.) *"The British sharp enough to observe that behind the Buddhist campaign was a national campaign which in turn was a political campaign."*

- 5.) “Carter John was very well-known in Depanama being the man who rescued the British pilot who crash-landed in the paddy field at Polwatta during the Japanese air raid..”

2) Read the following extracts and answer the questions given below

For the next couple of weeks I moved around like in a dream and I lingered on in a world of memories and shadows. My mind was a confusing montage of images constantly cross-cutting between past and present, fantasy and fact. Through it all there was a recurring motif. It was an episode from my childhood over forty years back in time, something which was always in my memory as clearly as if it happened yesterday.

1. What is the situation described in this paragraph?

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2. What literary devices can you identify in the underlined phrases?

- (I)
(II)
(III)

3. Explain the meaning of following terms in your own words.

episode -
recurring -

4. What can you say about the mentality of the narrator at this moment?

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"In the morning there was a big commotion; Tony had defecated in the verandah, and according to Mrs. Mendis it was the most unbearable stench she had ever experienced in her life, but according to Mother it was not as bad as when her two kids did the job-now the Mendises had two children, a girl of six named Shanthi and a four year old monster of a boy named Sarath who screamed round the clock asking for things to eat and drink. Mother had cleaned the verandah but Mrs. Mendis had kept washing the place over and over again...."

1. What is the situation described here?

2. What is the reason for the big commotion?

3. Explain these terms

i. commotion

ii. round the clock

4. Describe the aspect of human relationships according to the extract given.

3) Bringing Tony Home is a clear depiction of the nostalgic memories of a child who ultimately pens them after several decades. Do you agree?

You may include :

- fond memories of the narrator
- sorrowful memories around his childhood
- different experiences the narrator had to undergo