**Worksheet** **|** Lower Secondary Saif Yaghmour

Stage (6-8)

1st Semester | 2023-2024

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| **Subject: English**  Individual Reading Program |  |
| **Objectives:**   * To check the understanding of the story. | |

**The Devil and Tom Walker**

**After reading the story, please answer the following questions.**

1. Where did Tom Walker live?

He lived in a forlorn-looking house that stood alone and had an air of starvation.

1. What was buried under one of the trees in the inlet?

There was a great amount of treasure buried by Kidd the pirate.

1. Where did the devil live or hang around?

In a dark and gloomy swamp or forest area near a place called the Old Indian Fort.

1. How did Tom and his wife get along?

They both were miserly, they were so miserly that they even conspired to cheat each other.

1. What other name does the devil go by?

The wild huntsman in some countries; the black miner in others. In this neighborhood he is known by the name of the black woodsman.

1. What is the devil’s signature?

A black print of a finger burned

1. What did Tom find on the tree when he went looking for his wife?

He found a bundle tied in a check apron with a heart and liver tied up in it

1. What was the devil’s second deal?

The devil made Tom a usurer for his soul, since he agreed to lend money at interest rates

He accumulated bonds and mortgages, gradually squeezed his customers closer and closer, and sent them at length, dry as a sponge, from his door.

1. What did Tom do to try to save his soul?

He became, therefore, all of a sudden, a violent church-goer. He prayed loudly and strenuously, as if heaven were to be taken by force of lungs

1. What happens to Tom at the end of the story?

The black man whisked him like a child into the saddle, gave the horse the lash, and away he galloped, with Tom on his back, in the midst of the thunder-storm. The clerks stuck their pens behind their ears, and stared after him from the windows. Away went Tom Walker, dashing down the streets, his white cap bobbing up and down, his morning-gown fluttering in the wind, and his steed striking fire out of the pavement at every bound

His great house took fire and was burned to the ground.