

LESSON 2

TOM PAINTS THE FENCE

QUESTION AND ANSWERS

1. Why did white washing seem painful to Tom?

White washing seemed painful to Tom because it was a bright and beautiful Saturday Morning. Tom knew that all his friends would be free that day and would go out to play and he wanted to join them too.

2. How did tom react to the arrival of Ben Rogers?

Ben Rogers was the boy whose ridicule Tom has been dreading the most. When Ben walked up to him, Tom paid no attention to him and went on whitewashing the fence with apparent interest.

3. Why were the boys so eager to paint the fence?

In order not to be ridiculed, Tom pretended with absolute conviction that he thoroughly enjoyed his Saturday morning chore. He was so convincing in his acting that all the other boys felt left out and became eager to partake of this wonderfully enjoyable task.