**Unit 1: Human Bonds**

**Section 2: A Most Important Person**

**ll.Characters:**

Miss. Lucy Quinn

Agatha (sister)

Chester Chilton (little boy)

Arthur (servant, driver)

Hennesy Thomas (judge)

Mitzie (maid)

Deborah (Hennesy’s Wife)

Marie (baby girl)

Mr .Henderson (family lawyer)

Professor Tilden (friend)

**lll.Answer the following**

**2. a. She was thinking, rather wishing, for an event that might hurl her out of the world…’ What is Miss Lucy wishing for and why?**

She was hoping for an event that would end her life; because everybody close to her had moved on and she was lonely.

**b. Unlike Miss Lucy, Chester is not shy at all. Give evidence from the story to support this statement.**

Chester easily makes conversation with Miss Lucy when she rescues him, accompanies her to her house, easily accepts invitation to tea, offers to bring his sister to meet her the next day and actually does. Miss Lucy on the other hand keeps to herself and thinks twice about visiting friends. All this proves that unlike Miss Lucy, Chester is not shy at all.

**c. In what ways is the friendship between Miss Lucy and Chester unusual and remarkable?**

Their friendship is unusual and remarkable because of the difference in their age as well as background. But despite these differences, they help one another get on with their lives like friends do.

**d. How could Miss Lucy have avoided paying the fine for parking?**

Miss Lucy could have used her influence as the titular head of the local society or even spoken to the Judge who was a family friend to avoid paying the fine. She could have also made a call to Mr. Henderson, the family lawyer to get her out of the situation.

**e. In the end, why does Miss Lucy believe that Christmas is the most important time?**

In the end, Miss Lucy believes that Christmas is the most important time because it brings old and new friends together.

**f. We use ‘the’ before an adjective in the superlative degree, but this chapter is called “A Most Important Person”. Why do you think so? How is Chester a most important person for Miss Lucy?**

Miss Lucy forms a special bond of friendship with Chester and he makes her realize that she need not be alone or lonely. He changes her perspective towards life. He is not the most important person in her life but he is one of the most important.