

## Lesson summary:

It is a funny short story about a parrot kept as a pet. Author's aunt, Ruby bought a parrot. She kept it in a beautiful cage. She tried hard to teach the parrot to talk. But it would not talk. In fact, the parrot disliked aunt Ruby. One day, she asked the parrot for a kiss. She put her face close to the cage. The parrot in anger knocked her spectacles off her nose. She felt insulted. She stopped feeding the parrot. She also started making face at it. She said bad things about it.

Now, the ten-year-old boy fed the parrot. He loved this duty. The parrot liked him too. One day, the boy purposely left the cage open. The parrot flew away. After a few days, it started visiting them. It came often to eat its favorite food (chilies and mangoes). But every time he saw aunt Ruby it repeated the nasty things she used to say. This made aunt feel ashamed or embarrassed.

## Difficult words from the summary:

duty :- (ड्यूटी)- फर्ज

spectacle :- (स्पेक्टॅकल)- चश्मा

ashamed :- (अशेम्ड)- शर्मिंदा

nasty :- (नॅस्टी)- बहुत बुरा/ खराब

embarrass :- (एम्बेरेस)- शर्मिंदा करना

feed :- (फीड)- खिलाना

## Practice questions: