

## **Lesson summary:**

'The Last Stone Mason' is a story of a sculptor. He carved statues of Gods and Goddesses for temples. The old mason loved his work but he did not earn much money. He had a young son. The son went to live in Agra. He wanted to sell gifts made in factories. His old father was left alone.

The old mason was sad. He felt that if all young men left the village, the old art will be finished. He will be the last stone mason left. The mason had a young helper. His name was Salim. He knew his master's love for the art. He secretly practiced stone sculpting. He too loved his work.

One day, the old mason fell unconscious while working. When he regained his consciousness, he heard a sound from the nearby room. He thought his son had returned. So he peeped in. He was surprised and happy to see young Salim trying to complete his work. Old mason was happy. He knew that he doesn't have to fear about the art finishing when he dies.