

Lesson 6 – Grandfather Fights an Ostrich

a. When did the grandfather have his famous encounter with the ostrich?

Grandfather had his famous encounter with the ostrich during the period that he was working for the East African Railways.

b. Write a short description about grandfather's dog?

The grandfather's dog was an adopted mongrel which was very fond of its master; it would follow him everywhere and would protect him from harm and danger.

c. Describe what you have understood from the 'waltz dance' performed by the grandfather and the ostrich?

The 'waltz dance' performed by the grandfather and the ostrich refers to their fights. Just like in waltz where two people dance together, the grandfather and the ostrich took turns in chasing each other as they went in swift circles.

d. List the qualities of the grandfather from the fight he put up against the ostrich?

From the fight that he put up against the ostrich, we can say that the grandfather had a great presence of mind. He kept dodging the ostrich for as long as he could. Since he knew he would not be able to overpower the ostrich by strength, he used his presence of mind to tackle the bird.

e. How did the struggle end?

The struggle ended with the grandfather's pet dog interfering in the fight and scaring the ostrich away.