**THE STORY OF A SPACE TRAVELLER – CLASS 7**

**VALUE: ‘It teaches us to be brave, curious, humble and thoughtful as we pursue our dreams.’**

**ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:**

**1. What were the two amazing facts about the diary?**

ANS: Two amazing facts about the diary were that the ink kept changing colour and the diary seemed to be indestructible.

**2. What had happened during Professor Shonku’s first attempt to go to space?**

Ans: Professor Shonku had failed in his first attempt to go to space. Prahlad had moved the arms of the clock which had delayed them by three and a half hours, causing the rocket to rise and then fall with a loud thud.

**ANSWER IN BRIEF:**

**1. Foreshadowing is a literary device in which a writer gives an advance hint of what is to come later in the story. How does the writer use this device in the story? (Hint: Pay attention to the descriptions of places and people.)**

ANS: Some examples of foreshadowing in the story are: We know that something strange is about to be revealed about the diary at the beginning of the story when the narrator says: It was from Tarak Chatterjee that I got Professor Trilokeshwar Shonku’s diary. At once, something struck me as odd. We sense that something dramatic is about to happen when we are told that: There is no noise at all, except slight gurgling of the river. The atmosphere is decidedly eerie. Why is everything so quiet? The change in the robot’s behaviour, as described by the professor, is also concerning and foreshadows something bad: It is only Bidhushekhar who is still causing me concern. God knows what’s wrong with him

**2. What do you think happened to Professor Shonku? Answer in the form of another diary entry.**

ANS: Monday

21 July 2025

10:00 a.m.

Dear Diary,

Professor Shonku has been long gone, and we haven’t seen him for years. Today, I asked Professor’s neighbour if he knows about his whereabouts but it went in vain. Since the survival is not certain without expert supervision, Professor Shonku might have passed away in space. Had he been alive, he would have told the world about his adventure on his arrival to Earth. We get to learn a great deal from him. We miss him dearly.

**3. What are your views on space travel? Would you like to travel to space? Why?**

ANS: Space travel is a concept that is rightly expensive and interestingly new. I would love to travel to space. It’s another world where we, humans, are trying to make life possible. It would be so much fun and so interesting to travel between planets and not just countries anymore and it would be interesting to see how life is possible at a place which we haven’t ever been to. These creative ideas of going to the ‘unknown’ make me excited.