Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

The Spendthrift and the Swallow



Worksheet · Grades 4–8

Comprehension Questions

1. Who is the main character in the story and what is his primary flaw?
2. What does the young man do after seeing the Swallow?
3. How does the weather change after the young man sells his cloak?
4. What lesson does the young man learn from the Swallow's fate?
5. In your opinion, what could the young man have done differently?

Vocabulary Exercise

Match the words on the left with their correct meanings on the right.

Word	**Meaning**
Spendthrift	A person who spends money wastefully
Cloak	A loose outer garment
Swallow	A type of bird
Patrimony	An inheritance or legacy
Lifeless	Without life; dead

Writing/Reflection Task

Reflect on the story and answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. What do you think the moral of the story is?

2. How can this story apply to your life? Give an example.

3. Write about a time when you learned a lesson from a mistake.