When they found the Pearl of the World, Juana and Kino are excited and hopeful of a better life. Write an essay to show what happened to Kino's life after the discovery. - The pearl by John Steinbeck

Introduction:

When Kino finds what is considered the greatest pearl, he believes life will be so good for his family. He plans to sell it and use the money to pay for a church wedding for himself and Juana, to send his son Coyotito to school, to buy the family new clothes, buy a new harpoon, buy a rifle and a lot of other things unfortunately, all these dreams and expectations are killed by the extreme selfishness that drives most of the towns people to want the pearl for themselves. (Accept any other relevant introduction)

Points to consider

People try to steal the pearl:

i.   On the first night, somebody sneaks into his house to steal the pearl. In the process, Kino is wounded and he stabs the intruder with his knife.

ii. Kino kills a person who wants to steal the pearl.

iii. Kino strikes his wife in anger when he tries to throw the pearl into the sea. The pearl causes strife between Kino and his wife Juana, instead of bringing joy and happiness.

iv. Kino and his family end up homeless when the family house is burnt down, very likely by people searching for the pearl.

v.   the family loses its livelihood when their boat is destroyed probably by people who want to prevent Kino from taking the pearl to the capital.

vi. Kino and his family end up on the run and are followed by trackers with intent on killing the family to acquire the pearl.

vii. Their only child, Coyotito, who Kino thought would get on education because of the pearl, is shot dead by one of the trackers. With his death, Kino's whole future seems to collapse around him.

Conclusion:

All of Kino's dreams of a brighter future with his child going to school and acquiring knowledge for the family, all of his dreams of a better life for himself and his wife are disappointed because so many people wanted the pearl for themselves.

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