
MCQ – Literature

Portion Covered:

(Poem: The Listeners

Prose: After Twenty Years

Poem: The Village Schoolmaster

Prose: Chasing the Rainbow

Poem: Geography Lesson

Prose: The Maths Teacher, Mr Pink and Tipu)

I) You have been under arrest for ten minutes.

1) Who says the above line?

a) O’ Henry b) Jimmy Wells c) Plain Clothes man d) Bob

2) Why did the police man arrest him?

**a) Because he was wanted in Chicago b) He stood near the restaurant c)
because he was waiting for his friend d) none of the above.**

3) Name the author of the lesson, “After Twenty years.”

a)Walter De La Mare b) O’ Henry c) Manoj Das d) Satyajit Raj

II) Where he stood perplexed and still.

1) Who stood perplexed and still?

a) The poet b) The Traveller 3) The listeners 4) the Horse.

2) Why did he stand there perplexed and still?

**A) No one descended to the Traveler b) He heard echoing sound through the shadowiness
of the still house c) since no body replied to his call. d) All of the above.**

III) When the jet reached ten thousand feet.

1) Who says the above line?

a) Zulfikar Ghose b) Walter De La Mare c) O' Henry d) Oliver gold Smith

2) What was clear when he reached ten thousand feet?

a) It was clear why country had cities where river ran. b) It was clear why ground looked haphazard. c) It was clear why earth was round. D) It was clear why people hate each other.

IV) I had resolved to smile at him when we met next.

1) Whom does 'I' stand for?

a) Butcher b) the little boy. c) Appu d) none of the above.

2) Why did the speaker resolve so?

a) Being a butcher he helped the boy to reach home safely.

b) He carried him on his shoulder.

c) Because he was able to lit a bidi from the flame of shooting star.

d) None of the above.

V) I knew him well, and every truant knew;

1) Who says the above line?

a) Oliver Gold Smith b) Satyajit Ray c) Walter De La Mare d) O Henry.

2) Whom did he know?

a) Children b) absentee c) poet d) the schoolmaster

VI) The man from the West, almost arrogant with his success, was beginning to outline the history of his career.

1) Who became arrogant with success?

a) Jimmy Wells b) O Henry c) Bob d) None of the above

2) Why did he become arrogant?

a) He was successful and rich b) He looked very handsome c) Police was after him d) He was able to make his future

VII) I kept my word", he said.

1) Who is the speaker of the above line?

a) Traveller b) the poet c) a host of phantom listeners d) None of the above

2) Why did the speaker say the above line?

a) Because no one lived there. b) He felt disappointed as he had kept his word and returned but there was no one to receive him in the house. c) He told his family that he would come back after making his fortune D) Only phantom listeners lived in the castle.

3) Name the poet of the Poem, “The Listeners”.

a) O Henry b) Walter De La Mare c) Manoj Das d) Satyajith Ray

VIII) Have you learnt the alphabet?

1) Who is speaker of the above line? And to whom did he speak?

a) Appu to his father b) Butcher to Appu c) Priest to narrator d) Narrator to Appu.

2) What did Appu reply?

a) He learnt the alphabet. b) He was trying to learn the alphabet. c) He absolutely refused to learn the alphabet. d) None of these

3) Name the author of the lesson, “Chasing the rainbow”.

a) Zulfikar Ghose b) Manoj Das c) O Henry d) Walter De La Mare.

IX) *So this is what he had in mind- to sacrifice my tiny self, instead of a goat, at deity's altar !.*

1) Whom does 'my tiny self' refer to?

a) Appu b) butcher c) Appu's father d) the little boy

2) Why did the man take the narrator to the deity's altar?

a) He wanted to sacrifice him at the deity's altar b) He wanted to give him to his father. c) He wanted to frighten him. d) He asked him to prostrate before the goddess and wanted to give him some religious instruction or experience.

X) *A man severe he was and stern to view;*

1) Whom does the "man" refer to?

a) the Pupil b) the peasant c) the poet d) the school master

2) Give an example from the poem, "The Village Schoolmaster" which shows the severity and sternness of the schoolmaster?

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a) A frown on his morning face. b) he argued with the parson even though vanquished; c) Lands he could measure, terms and tides presage d) none of these.

XI) *That means that I cannot be released yet*

1) Whom does 'I' refer to in the above line?

a) Mr Pink b) Mr Tipu c) the stranger d) Narhari Babu

2) What release was he talking about?

a) He cannot be released unless he makes some one happy. b) He wanted to get release from the police man. c) Narhari Babu exiled him from his land for helping Tipu d) none of these

XII) *You should read about great men, about explorers, about scientific invention-*

1) Who is the speaker of the line?

a) Math teacher. b) Mr.Pink c) Tipu d) None of these.

2) Why did the speaker say the above line?

a) He wanted to make him read the storybooks. b) He was fond of fairy tales. c) He wanted to make him learn English. d) He wanted to make him read about great men, about explorers, about scientific inventions.

XIII) *When the jet rose six miles high,*

1) What did the poet notice from six miles high?

a) The earth is round b) Most of the cities were on the bank of rivers c) the city had an unplanned look d) Humans did not kill each other

2) Name the poem?

a) The Village Schoolmaster b) Geography Lesson c) The Listeners d) none of these.

(Writing Task – Literature

a) Write the summary of the following poems:

i) The Listeners

ii) Geography Lesson

iii) The Village School Master

b) Write a brief character Sketch of the following characters:

i) Silky Bob (L- After Twenty Years)

ii) Jimmy Wells (L- After Twenty Years)
Rainbow)

iii) Butcher (L- Chasing the

iv) The Little Boy (the author) (L- Chasing the Rainbow)

v) The Math Teacher (L-The Math Teacher, MR Pink and Tipu)

vi) Mr Pink (L-The Math Teacher, MR Pink and Tipu)

vii) Tipu (L-The Math Teacher, MR Pink and Tipu)

c) Imagine you are Silky Bob from the lesson, *After Twenty Years*. Write briefly about the surprise which was revealed to you after reading the letter and how you felt after reading the letter which was given to you by plain clothes man.

d) Imagine you are the narrator from the lesson, *Chasing the Rainbow*. Write what surprise was in store for you at the end of the short journey. What did you realize that day and what did you wish to undo the wrong that you thought you have done to the butcher.

e) Imagine you are Mr Pink from the lesson, *The Maths Teacher, Mr Pink and Tipu*. Write why you were interested in helping Tipu.

Or Why you wanted to help Tipu and in what way you helped him?
