

Short Answer Type Questions**Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each (3 Marks each)**

1. Why was Zitkala-sa not feeling at home in her new surroundings?
2. Why was Zitkala-sa being keenly watched in the dining hall?
3. What embarrassing situation arose when Zitkala-sa sat on hearing the first bell?
4. What information did Judewin give Zitkala-sa?
5. Why was Zitkala-sa resisting the cutting of her hair?
6. When and how did Zitkala-sa lose her spirit?
7. What indignities did Zitkala-sa suffer after she was separated from her mother?
8. How did Zitkala-sa resist on being discovered under bed?
9. Why did Bama usually take long to reach home from school?
10. Why did Bama feel like shrieking with laughter at the sight of the elderly man?
11. What was the elderly man carrying and for whom?
12. Why did Annan not feel amused when Bama told him about the elderly man?
13. How did Bama react when she came to know why the elderly man was carrying the packet.
14. Why did the landlord's man ask Annan where he lived?
15. What reason did Annan give for not getting honour and dignity in society?
16. What impact did Annan's advice have on Bama and with what effect?
17. Which words of her brother made a deep impression on Bama ?[2014]

Long Answer Type Questions**Answer the following in 125-130 words (6 Marks each)**

1. What is common in the discrimination and injustice experienced by Zitkalasa and Bama? How do they react to their situations?
2. The cutting of my hair shows insensitivity of the mainstream culture towards marginalized communities. Discuss.
3. How did Zitkala-sa resist the cutting of her hair and why?
4. What was Bama's initial reaction to the incident on the street? How did her reaction change later on?
5. Zitkala-sa and Bama are rebels" Discuss
6. Describe the various sights and scenes Bama would see on her way to school in your own words.
7. What activities did Bama witness on her way back home from school ?[2014 compt.]
8. 'We Too are Human Beings' highlights high caste – low caste discrimination in society. How do low caste people suffer on account of this ? What advice is given to Bama to overcome this problem ? [2015 Foreign]
9. Untouchability is not only a crime , it is inhuman too. Why and how did Bama decide to fight against it ?[2017]



5. INDIGO

–Louis Fischer

Short Answer Type Questions. (30-40 words each)

1. Who was Rajkumar Shukla? Why did he want to meet Gandhiji?
2. How did Shukla persuade Gandhiji to visit Champaran?
3. Why was Gandhiji not allowed to draw water from the well of Dr. Rajender Prasad's house?
4. What did the peasants of Champaran pay to the British landlords as rent?
5. Why did Gandhiji go to a nearby village in Champaran? Why did he come back without visiting the place?
6. What was the outcome of protracted interviews that Gandhiji had with the Lt. Governor?
7. Why did the landlords want to be released from the 15% arrangement?
8. Which incident in the lesson is the beginning of the peasants' liberation from the fear of British?
9. Why did Gandhiji agree to a settlement of 25% refund to the farmers?
10. What was the conflict of duties that Gandhiji underwent? How did he resolve it?
11. Why did Gandhiji receive summons to appear in court?
12. "Civil Disobedience had triumphed the first time in India." How did it happen?
13. When and why did Gandhiji say "The battle of Champaran is won"?
14. How was Gandhiji's style of politics different from the usual politicians?
15. How was the Champaran episode a turning point in Gandhiji's life?
16. How did Gandhiji teach his followers a lesson in self-reliance?
17. What steps did Gandhiji take to remove the social and cultural backwardness of the Champaran villagers?
18. What was done to improve and look after the health of the people of Champaran?
19. Why did Gandhi tell the court that he was involved in a 'conflict of duties'? (2015 foreign)
20. How is Gandhi critical of the lawyers? (2015 foreign)
21. How did Gandhi show that he cared for the cultural and social backwardness of Champaran villages? (2015)
22. Why is Raj Kumar Shukla described as being 'resolute'? (2015)
23. How did the Champaran peasants react when they heard that a Mahatma had come to help them? (2014 compt)
24. What made the Lieutenant-Governor drop the case against Gandhiji? (2014 compt)
25. Why did Gandhiji feel that taking the Champaran case to the court was useless? (2014)
26. Why was Gandhiji opposed to C.F. Andrews helping him in Champaran? (2016)
27. Why did Gandhiji agree to a settlement of mere 25 percent? (2016)

Long Answer Type Questions

Answer the following in 125-150 words.

1. Dialogue not violence can resolve situations of conflict and injustice. Do you agree? Answer with instances from the lesson Indigo.
2. "The visit undertaken casually on the entreaty of an unlettered peasant occupied almost a year of Gandhiji's life". What events unfolded and with what results?
3. How was Gandhiji's stay and work at Champaran a great turning point to the people of Champaran, to the freedom struggle and to Gandhiji himself?
4. Raj Kumar Shukla played a significant role as Gandhiji did in the success of the Champaran episode. Do you agree? Give reasons in support of your answer.
5. What did Gandhiji do to remove the cultural and social backwardness in the Champaran villages? (2015)
6. Describe how, according to Louis Fischer, Gandhiji succeeded in his Champaran campaign (2014 compt)
7. Why is the Champaran episode considered to be the beginning of the Indian struggle for Independence? (2014 outside Delhi)



4. A THING OF BEAUTY

—John Keats

Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow each:

1. A thing of beauty is a joy forever
Its loveliness increases, it will never
Pass into nothingness; but will keep
A bower quiet for us, and a sleep
Full of sweet dreams, and health, and quiet breathing.

Questions

- (a) How is a thing of beauty a joy for ever?
- (b) Explain—"It will never pass into nothingness."
- (c) How does the poet attribute beauty for sound physical and mental health?

SET 2 (2016)

- (a) Whose loveliness will keep on increasing ?
- (b) Identify the phrase which says that 'it' is immortal.
- (c) What is a bower?
- (d) Why do we need sweet dreams, health and quiet breathing in our lives?

2. Therefore, on every morrow, are we wreathing
A flowery band to bind us to the earth,
Spite of despondence, of the inhuman dearth
Of noble natures, of the gloomy days,
Of all the unhealthy and o'er-darkened ways
Made for our searching :

Questions

- (a) Who are we wreathing a flowery band and why?
- (b) Why is the poet not happy with human beings?
- (c) Explain "O'er darkened ways".

SET 2 (2014 outside)

- (a) Name the poem and the poet.
- (b) Why are we 'despondent' ?
- (c) What removes 'the pall from our dark spirits' ?

3. Yes, in spite of all
Some shape of beauty moves away the pall
From our dark spirits—Such the sun, the moon,
Trees old, and young, sprouting a shady boon
For simple sheep, and such are daffodils
With the green world they live in; and
Clear rills. That for themselves a cooling covert make
'Gainst the hot season.

Questions

- (a) What 'moves away' the pain and suffering from the human life?
- (b) Mention some of the things from Nature that move away the pall from our dark spirits?
- (c) What do the clear streams do?
- (d) Explain "dark spirits"

4. Rich with sprinkling of fair musk rose blooms; **(2015,2014)**

And such too is the grandeur of the dooms
We have imagined for the mighty dead;
All lovely-*tales* that we have heard or read;
An endless fountain of Immortal drink,
Pouring unto us from the heaven's brink.

Questions

- (a) What is the beautiful scene that one sees in the middle of the forest?
- (b) Why does the poet call the dooms to be full of grandeur?
- (c) Whom does the word 'mighty dead' refer to?
- (d) Explain 'Immortal drink'.

Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each.

- (a) Why does the poet call a thing of beauty as a joy forever?
- (b) How does beauty enrich the human beings?
- (c) How do we try to face the gloomy days?
- (d) How is man responsible for his own despondence?
- (e) How do the daffodils and clear rills adjust to the hot season?
- (f) How does the poet express his love for nature?
- (g) What does a thing of beauty do for us ? (2015)
- (h) What makes human beings love life inspite of all the troubles they face ? (2015)
- (i) In the hot season,how do man and beast get comfort ? (2017)
- (j) What rich bounty has the heaven given us? (2017)
- (k) How can 'mighty dead' be things of beauty ? (2017)

6. AUNT JENIFFER'S TIGERS

—Adrienne Rich

A. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow each:

1. Aunt Jennifer's tigers prance across a screen,
Bright topaz denizens of a world of green.
They do not fear the men beneath the tree;
They pace in sleek chivalric certainty...

Questions

SET 1

- Where do the tigers appear? What are they doing?
- What is the attitude of the tigers towards men?
- How does the poet portray the outer and inner qualities of the tigers?

SET 2 (2017)

- Why are the tigers called Aunt Jennifer's tigers ?
- How are they described here?
- How are they different from Aunt Jennifer?
- What does the word 'chivalric' mean ?

2. Aunt Jennifer's fingers fluttering through her wool
Find even the ivory needle hard to pull.
The massive weight of Uncle's wedding band
Sits heavily upon Aunt Jennifer's hand.

Questions

- Why are aunt Jennifer's fingers fluttering?
- What is the result of the fluttering?
- Explain—'The massive weight of Uncle's Wedding band.'
- What is Aunt Jennifer's state of mind?

3. When Aunt is dead her terrified hands will lie
Still ringed with ordeals she was mastered by
The tigers in the panel that she made
Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid.

Questions

- Why are aunt's hands said to be terrified?
- Explain—'still ringed with ordeals?'
- How will Aunt's death affect the tigers?

B.Short Answer Type Questions

Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each

- Where do the tigers appear? Write two qualities of the tigers as depicted by the poet.
- Why is the ivory needle hard to pull?
- What is the significance of wedding ring in Aunt Jennifer's life?
- "The tigers created by Aunt Jennifer are symbolic of her aspirations." Explain.
- Aunt Jennifer's efforts to get rid of her fear proved to be futile. Comment (2016)
- Why does Aunt Jennifer create animals that are so different from her own character? (2015)
- How are Aunt Jennifer's tigers different from her? (2014 outside)
- What are the difficulties that aunt Jennifer faced in her life? (2014 Delhi)
- How does Aunt Jennifer express her bitterness and anger against male dominance? (2014 compt)