

THREE QUESTIONS

WORDS

1. Messenger

2. Wise men

3. Council

4. Councillors

5. Reward

6. Wisdom

7. Hermit

8. Beds

MEANINGS

a person who takes a message from one person to another person

who have lot of experience of life and can give you good advice

a group of people chosen to give advice

members of the council

prize or gift

good understanding and knowledge of life

saint

small patches of ground for plants

9.Spade	a tool with sharp edge used to dig a ground
10.Digging	to scoop up the soil from the earth
11.Fainted	lost consciousness
12.Wound	an injury or cut
13.Re dressed	to repair the injury again
14.Revenge	to hurt someone in return
15.Escape	run away
16.Made peace	end of enmity
17.Sowing	spreading the seeds over land so that plants can be grown
18.Pitied	to feel sorry for someone's bad condition
19.Seized	took by force

Part 1

Comprehension Check

Q1. Why did the king want to know answers to three questions?

Ans. The king wanted to know the answers to three questions so that he will never get falled in his life.

Q2. Messengers were sent throughout the kingdom

i) to fetch wise men.

ii) to find answers to the questions.

iii) to look for the wise hermit.

iv) to announce a reward for those who could answer the questions.

Mark your choice.

Ans. iv) to announce a reward for those who could answer the questions

Part 2

Comprehension Check

Q1. Complete the following sentences by adding the appropriate parts of the sentences given in the box.

- 1. Many wise men answered the king's questions, but their answers were so varied that the king was not satisfied.**
- 2. Someone suggested that there should be a council of wise men to help the king act at the right time.**
- 3. Someone else suggested that the king should have a timetable and follow it strictly.**
- 4. The king requested the hermit to answer three questions.**
- 5. The king washed and dressed the bearded man's wound, but the bleeding would not stop.**

Answer the following questions.

Q1. Why was the king advised to go to magicians?

Ans. In response to the answer for the first question some suggested that there were some things which could be urgent and cannot wait for the decision of the council. In order to decide the right time for doing something, it is necessary to look into the future and only magicians could do that. The king, therefore, would have to go to magicians.

Q2. In answer to the second question, whose advice did the people say would be important to the king?

Ans. The advice of councillors, priests, doctors, and even soldiers would be important for the king.

Q3. What suggestions were made in answer to the third question?

Ans. To the third question, some suggested science, fighting, and religious worship were important things to do.

Q4. Did the wise men win the reward? If not, why not?

Ans. The wise man did not receive any reward for their answers not satisfactory for those three questions asked by the king.

Q5. How did the king and the hermit help the wounded man?

Ans. The king washed the large wound of that man and then covered it with his handkerchief to stop the bleeding. Since the bleeding was going on so he redressed again and again to get it stopped. Then he gave the man fresh water to drink and took him inside the hut with the help of hermit and made him lie on the bed to get relaxed.

Q6. i) Who was the bearded man?

Ans. The bearded man was the king's enemy and came there with the intention to kill the king to take the revenge of his brother's death and seizing of all his property.

ii) Why did he ask for the king's forgiveness?

Ans. He was recognized by the king's bodyguards and was wounded by them but when he came to the king in wounded state, he helped him unknowingly and saved his life. So, he asked for king's forgiveness.

Q7. The king forgave the bearded man. What did he do to show his forgiveness?

Ans. In order to show his forgiveness the king promised to return all his property back and also, he will send his servants and his doctors to take care of him and instead of taking his service as servant, he treated him as his friend.

Match items in List A with their meanings in List B.

Fainted	lost consciousness
wounded	severely injured
awoke	got up from sleep
forgive	pardon
faithful	loyal
pity	feel sorry for
beds	small patches of ground for plants
return	give back