

Question Bank

Reference to Context

1. “The miseries of the world cannot be cured by physical help only”.
2. “Ignorance is death, knowledge is life”.
3. “Ignorance is the mother of all evil and of all misery we see.”
4. “I may be haughty or boorish and there is no penalty to pay except the penalty of being written down an ill-mannered fellow”.
5. “If bad manners are infectious, so also are good manners”.
6. “Please’ and ‘Thank you’ are the small change with which we pay our way as social beings.”
7. “My parents set the foundation of my life and the value system, which makes me what I am today and largely, defined what success means to me today.”
8. “That was my first lesson in success. It is not about what you create for your-self, it what you leave behind that defines success”.
9. “In them, we learnt, the power of disagreements, of dialogue and the essence of living with diversity on thinking”.
10. “I felt the impulse to put her on the train there and take her away with me. I could not bear the thought of having to watch her recede into the distance of Deoli station.”
11. “When she saw me, she smiled. She was pleased that I remembered her and I was pleased that she remembered me. We were both pleased, and it was almost like a meeting of old friends.”
12. “Do you know the girl who used to sell baskets here”. “No I don’t”, said the stationmaster, “And you’d better get on the train if you don’t want to be left behind.”
13. “Now the tendency of the average man has always been to dwell on the emotional and ethical side of a case rather than on facts of the somewhat dull kind, which interest the scientist.”
14. “It is only in times of disaster that the average man devotes a moment’s thought to his real enemies, ‘the rulers of the darkness of this world’, from bacteria to cyclones. Until humanity adopts the scientific point of view, those enemies will not be conquered.”
15. “Our approach to the problem of disease is even less rational.”
16. “I agree, but you’ll have to; it is your own fault. You should have asked me before deciding to stay away.”
17. “Don’t come to me for help, even if, Samuel throttles you. You deserve your Samuel....”
18. “Excitement, bustle and hurry were exhibitions of bad breeding, and Sir Mohan was eminently well-bred. He wanted everything ‘tickety-boo’ and orderly.”
19. “Ere, Bill, he shouted, ‘one ere.’ His companion came up, also looked in, and looked at Sir Mohan. ‘Get the nigger out,’ he muttered to his companion.”
20. “Say about yourself all the derogatory things you know the other I person is thinking or wants to say or intends to say—and say them before he has a chance to say them—and you take the wind out of his sails. The chances are a hundred to one that he will then take a generous, forgiving attitude, and minimize your mistakes.”
21. “Any fool can try to defend his mistakes and most fools do, but it raises one above the herd and gives one a feeling of nobility and exultation to admit one’s mistakes.”
22. “Remember the old proverb: ‘by fighting you never get enough, but by yielding you get more than you expected.’”

Long Answer Questions

1. How did Swami Vivekanand reveal the secret of work?
2. “First comes Spiritual help, second Intellectual help and then comes Physical help”, explain in detail.
3. How according to Vivekananda, spiritual help is the best kind of help?
4. How did A.G. Gardiner convey the importance of good manners?
5. Illustrate the significance of ‘saying please’.
6. What according to Subroto Bagchi, success is? Or how did Subroto Bagchi define success? Or define success in the light of ‘Go Kiss the World’.
7. Narrate the story of ‘The Night Train at Deoli’ in your own words.
8. What would have happened if ‘The Night Train at Deoli’ is your own story? Or narrate the story of ‘The Night Train at Deoli’ considering yourself at the place of author or it is your own love story, explain.
9. How did Haldane explain scientific point of view?
10. “Until humanity adopts the scientific point of view, those enemies will not be conquered” illustrate with your own views.
11. How does science affect the average human positively and negatively?
12. ‘Father’s Help’ is a comic and ironic insight into the psychology of school going child’, explain.
13. Narrate any of your own school going experience from childhood.
14. Sketch the character of Sir Mohan Lal and Lachmi in your own words.
15. How does Sir Mohan Lal become victim of his own manners?
16. ‘Karma’ is an ironical and humorous story, illustrate.
17. How did Carnegie explain the significance of admitting our own mistakes?

Short Answer Questions

1. Justify the title ‘The Secret of Work’.
2. “Intellectual help is the second kind of help”, explain in brief.
3. Why did Vivekananda say, “Until there is spiritual strength in man, even physical needs cannot be well satisfied”?
4. Why did a young liftman throw the passenger out of lift?
5. How did the bus conductor help the author?
6. Comment on the title ‘On Saying Please’.
7. Comment on the lesson learnt by Subroto Bagchi in governance.
8. Why didn’t Ruskin Bond break his journey at Deoli station?
9. How does Ruskin Bond show affinity to the basket seller girl?
10. Why didn’t Swaminathan deliver the letter to principal?
11. Sketch the character of Swaminathan.
12. ‘Samuel is a stubborn teacher’, what is your opinion?
13. How could Carnegie escape from the wrath of policeman in the Forest Park?
14. Write a report on Student-Teacher-Parent Meet held in your college.
15. Write a letter applying for the post of school teacher.
16. Write a letter to the editor of local newspaper stating the issues of public services in your area.