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## SECTION ONE

### 1.1 An Astrologer's DAY

#### 1] Write details about your Strengths

Strengths	Why do you feel so?	Dream career
Painting & Drawing	I can visualize, I can express	Commercial Artist, Cartoonist
Acting	I can perform, I can express emotions	Model, Actor, Show Host, Trainer
Swimming	I am fit, I can control breathe	Professional Swimmer, Swim Coach, Underwater Photographer
Writing	I have reading passion, I can imagine, I am good observer	News reporter, Novelist, Poet, Editor, Blogging, Social media manager
Sport	I have self-discipline I am fit & energetic, I have sportsmanship	Professional Player Sport Journalist, Coach, Referee

#### 2] The scene in a local market of a village/town/city is very attractive. People with different occupations sell their wares. Give the variety of activities at the local market.

- 1] Selling and buying household and cleaning products
- 2] Selling and buying sweets, namkeens & snack
- 3] Selling and buying bangles, cosmetics & imitation jewelry
- 4] Selling and buying toys & utensils
- 5] Selling and buying food & grocery.
- 6] Selling and buying vegetables & fruits
- 7] Selling and buying animals, their foods & accessories.
- 8] Selling homemade medicines.
- 9] Selling and buying electronics and electronics accessories.
- 10] Selling and buying pet food, pet treats, and accessories.
- 11] Selling and buying Cloths and garments.
- 12] Shouting on each other
- 13] Asking the rates
- 14] Bargaining with vendors
- 15] Selling homemade medicines.
- 16] Movement of animals, carts and people



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#### 3] In a village /town /city it is quite a common sight to see an astrologer sitting by the roadside with his professional equipment. Give a list the requirements for his trade.

- 1] Parrot, Cards etc.
- 2] Photos of Gods, goddess and flowers.
- 3] Saffron colour clothes and 'panchang'
- 4] Cowrie shells, string of beads etc.
- 5] Lemons, green chillies, flowers etc.

#### 4] There are certain unreasonable beliefs among people living in our society. Certain common events are linked with superstitions. List such events, discuss the superstitions linked with them and the means of their eradication.

- 1] A cat crossing your path
- 2] Seeing face in broken mirror
- 3] Avoid taking food during eclipse
- 4] Hanging lemon and chillies in house
- 5] Seeing a pair of crow
- 6] Taking salt on palm

- 7] Sweeping or cutting nails after sunset
- 9] An itchy left palm
- 11] Walking under ladders

- 8] Standing or sitting under the Peepal tree in the night
- 10] wearing lucky clothes, kit and charms by Sportsmen

**Answer:-**

**1. A cat crossing your path**

**Explanation:** if a cat, especially a black cat crosses your path, it is considered to be a sign that something bad is about to occur to you.

**Means of eradication:** educate the believers that it is just a cat and like any other animal it roams freely.

**2. Do not sweep or cut nails after sunset**

**Explanation:** doing these activities after sunset invites some unwelcome misfortune into your life

**Means of eradication:** educate people that sweeping or cutting nails are independent activities and have nothing to do with any particular time of the day.

**3. Hanging lemon and seven green chilies**

**Explanation:** it is believed that hanging lemon and seven green chilies on doors and vehicles wards off misfortune and bad luck.

**Means of eradication:** educate people that good deeds bring good fortune. So, lemons and chilies are only food ingredients.

**4. Do not stand or sit under the Peepal tree at the night**

**Explanation:** standing or sitting under the peepal tree at night, invites ghosts and evil spirits.

**Means of eradication:** educate people that plants maintain a balance in nature. Trees release CO2 at night. When we stay under a tree at such time we feel naturally uneasy. On the other hand, Apart from oxygen, they provide shelter to numerous animals, birds, and protect them. Plants possibly do more good to us than anything evil.

**5. An itchy left palm**

**Explanation:** an itchy left palm indicates that money would flow in

**Means of eradication:** educate people that money is best earned and expected out of hard work and good investments.

**5] Means to Eradicate the Superstitions.**

- 1] Removing illiteracy and tell the people that it's most likely just a trick of the mind. (Education)
- 2] Development of Scientific Approach
- 3] Positive Thinking
- 3] Effective Use of Social Media



**Given below are some descriptions. Discuss them with your partner and find out one word for each of them. An example is given for you.**

- 1] The scientific study of the universe and the objects in it, including stars, planets, nebulae and galaxies - **Astronomy**
- 2] The study of the movements of the planets, Sun, Moon, and Stars in the belief that these movements can have an influence on people's lives - **Astrology**
- 3] A prediction of what will happen in the future – **Prophecy**
- 4] Scientific discipline that studies mental states and processes and behaviour in humans and other animals – **Psychology**

1] Complete the given web. (2)

	<b>Activities of the astrologer</b>	



Answer:

1] He opened his bag and spread out his professional equipment,	2] He searched / look for the customers
<b>Activities of the astrologer</b>	
3] He pleased and astonished everyone by saying something	4] He carried the wages home at the end of a day.

2] Complete the given web. (2)



**Answers**

- 1] a dozen cowrie shells,
- 2] a square piece of cloth with obscure mystic charts on it,
- 3] a notebook and
- 4] a bundle of palmyra writing.

3] In the story we are told that the Town Hall Park was a remarkable place in many ways for an astrologer to build his business. List the exceptional qualities of the place.

- 1] A surging crowd
- 2] Medicine, stolen hardware & junk sellers
- 3] Auctioneers of cheap clothes
- 4] Fried groundnut sellers
- 5] Different kinds of tracings.

4] The astrologer never opened his mouth till the other had spoken for at least ten minutes. Discuss the reasons behind his act.

- 1] He is good at reading the people.
- 2] He was very much eager to get information from the person
- 3] He could examine the person's nature.
- 4] He could easily satisfy the person.

5] Tactics used by the Astrologer to earn his wages. OR The astrologer was a shrewd judge of a character. Explain with some details from the extract

**The Tactics**

- 1] Analysis of human troubles.
- 2] Commenting on past
- 3] To make the person panic
- 4] Suggesting solutions.

6] An astrologer's appearance helps to create an impression on his clients. Complete the following:

- 1] The turban on his head
- 2] Face covering dark whiskers
- 3] Sparkling & gleaming eyes
- 4] Sacred ash on forehead

7] Read the following sentences and choose the correct one:

- a) The astrologer says that if Nayak leaves his village again, he would –
  - 1] return the money
  - 2] face danger
  - 3] go back home and stop looking for the man who tried to kill him
  - 4] not find the killer.

**Ans: face danger**

b) According to the narrator the astrologer's success in his profession is primarily due to –

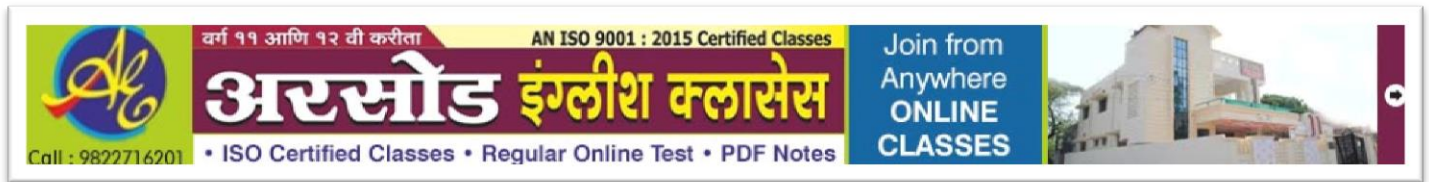
- 1] Luck
- 2] the bargains he drives
- 3] his appearance
- 4] his understanding of people

**Ans: his understanding of people**

c) **Guru Nayak consults the astrologer because he wants to –**

- 1] understand the past
- 2] find out who the astrologer is
- 3] make some money through a bet
- 4] get the answer to a specific question

**Ans: get the answer to a specific question**



d) **Guru Nayak is looking for the man who tried to kill him –**

- 1] to take revenge
- 2] to get an apology
- 2] to demand an explanation
- 4] to prove that the man was unsuccessful

**Ans: to take revenge**

e) **The astrologer's remark makes Guru Nayak feel all of the following except-**

- 1] relieved
- 2] suspicious
- 3] impressed
- 4] disappointed

**Ans: suspicious**

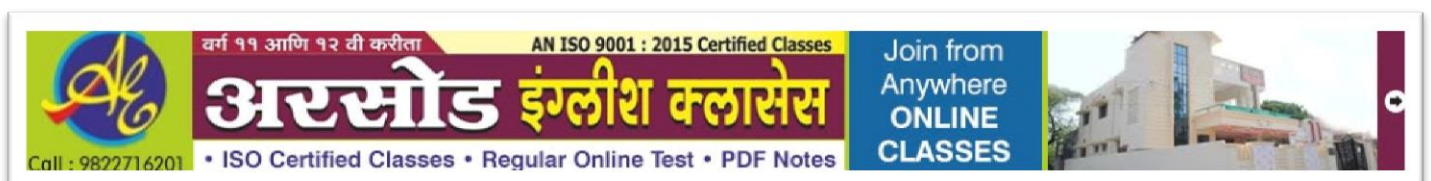
f) **Reactions of the astrologer's wife to his news suggest that she –**

- 1] was unaware of his past
- 2] has been worried about his safety
- 3] has known him since he was young
- 4] is concerned about her future with him

**Ans: was unaware of his past.**

**8] Read the following sentences and find out True and False sentences. Correct the False sentences:**

- 1] The astrologer gave a correct prediction to the client about his past that he was stabbed, thrown into a well and left for dead.- True**
- 2] When the astrologer came to know that the man whom he killed is alive he felt that he was relieved of his guilt. – True**
- 3] The astrologer tried to back out of the deal and talked about the client's past. –False (The astrologer demanded more money to tell the past)**
- 4] The astrologer rescued himself from Guru Nayak's revenge. - True**
- 5] The moral of the story is that we must be responsible about what we have done and should not run away from our mistakes. – True**
- 6] The astrologer used to have the preparation of his business in quite professional way. True**
- 7] The physical appearance of the astrologer hardly created an impact on the customers.- False (The physical appearance of the astrologer created an impact on the customers)**
- 8] The place was busy with a variety of occupations. – True**
- 9] The astrologer's style of handling the business lies in his skills. – True**
- 10] The colour scheme of his face never changed. – True**



**9] The astrologer has changed his appearance and his persona when he arrived in the city. Give specific reasons.**

- a) He knew that he had killed Guru Nayak.                      b) Worrying to be caught by police  
 c) Worrying about the future of family                              d) He knew that no one could identify him  
 e) Wanted to lead a peaceful life

**10] What was a signal for the astrologer to pack up his equipment? Why?**

**Ans:** When the groundnuts vendor blew out his flare and prepared to go home, this was a signal for the astrologer to pack up his equipment. Without the light from the groundnut vendor’s flare, he would be left in darkness, except for a little shaft of stray green light which touched the ground in front of him.

**11] Why did the astrologer say "the swine has cheated me"? How much does Guru Nayak agree to pay the astrologer if he is convinced? How much does he actually give him?**

**Ans:** The astrologer demanded that Guru Nayak must give him one rupee if he was convinced by what he told him. After a good deal of haggling, Guru Nayak agreed. However, when the astrologer returns home and asks his wife to count the coins, he realises that Guru Nayak had given him only twelve and a half annas.

**12] Explain the meaning of this sentence: “He was as much a stranger to the stars as were his innocent customers.”**

The sentence “He was as much a stranger to the stars as were his innocent customers” shows the astrologer’s real identity as a con artist (धोके बाज कलाकार) who is not an actual astrologer. He has no knowledge about the stars just like his customers, which means he cannot read stars at all. He only cheats them to earn money.

**13] Mention five specific things the astrologer tells the other man.**

- 1] He tells the man that he was attacked and left for dead some time earlier.
- 2] He reveals that he knows his client's name.
- 3] He tells his client that he should stop looking for the man who attacked him. because he is dead.
- 4] He tells the man that he should take the next train to return his home and never leave the home again.
- 5] He tells him that he will be in danger if he leaves his village again.

**14] The astrologer would have done if he had not left his village.**

**Ans:** He would have carried on the work of his forefathers namely, tilling the land, living, marrying, and ripening in his and ancestral home.

**15] What does the astrologer tell Guru Nayak to convince him never to leave his home again?**

- 1] The astrologer told Guru Nayak that the man he sought had died four months ago in a far-off town.
- 2] He tells him that he had been crushed under a lorry.
- 3] The astrologer advises Guru Nayak to return home and tells him that, if he never set out again, he would live to be a hundred.

**16] The astrologer had great presence of mind. Justify this statement with reference to the text.**

**Ans:** The astrologer has great presence of mind which we realize how he reacts to the encounter with his last customer. He very cleverly reveals bad details of Guru Nayak’s past which convince him that the he was telling the truth. The astrologer succeeds in saving his own life by convincing Guru Nayak that the man he sought was dead, being crushed under a lorry.

**17] How does the author characterize Guru Nayak in the story?**

**Ans:** Guru Nayak is the antithesis of the astrologer. The author describes Guru Nayak through his dialogue. As his first dialogue – “You call yourself an astrologer?” – shows, Guru Nayak is aggressive and hard. It is also significant that at the end of story, when the astrologer’s wife adds up the coins given by Nayak and announces the total, the astrologer realizes that he has been cheated. This minor detail shows that Nayak is not worthy to trust.

**18] Explore the character of the astrologer.**

The astrologer is portrayed as a calm and deceptive (cunning) character. We realize towards the end of the story that the astrologer had been forced to live in fear every day of his life. He was afraid that his past would come back to him. With his forehead coloured with “sacred ash and vermilion” and a saffron turban, he makes his customers feel comfortable in his presence.

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## Personal Response

**1] The astrologer wins/gets the sympathy of criticism of the reader in the end. Express your opinion with the support of the main story.**

**Ans:** The Astrologer won the real sympathy of the readers at the end of the story. His intention was not to kill Guru Nayak. When he started to lead a new life, still he was feeling guilty over his deed. It shows his greatness and humanity.

**2] In the story, astrologer has a great listening power. Listening helps in developing good relations with people. Express your opinion.**

**Ans:** Of course, listening helps in developing good relations with people, because-

- 1] Good listeners are always appreciated
- 2] They might get some good advices
- 3] It develops patience and tolerance
- 4] Your relations will be more harmonious
- 5] Likely to gain respect of others.

**3] Why do most people want to know their future? Do you think astrologers can really help them know their future?**

Most people want to know their future because they are very curious about their happiness, the problems ahead, and their safety. Yes, real astrologers with real astrological knowledge can help you see your future.

**4] 'The stranger had gone off into the night '. Through this sentence, explain the significance of the title 'An Astrologer's Day'.**

**Ans:** The Astrologer thought that he had killed Guru Nayak. He has been carrying the burden of this thought. He is feeling guilty about it. When Guru Nayak appeared before him as a customer, Astrologer identified him suddenly. But Guru Nayak could not identify him. The Astrologer became very happy and relaxed to see Guru Nayak alive. The dark load of the thought of murder suddenly disappeared. This is the happiest day in his life, an Astrologer's Day

**5] Is astrology a good practice of fortune telling or is it just a blind faith? Give reasons.**

Astrology has been rejected by the scientific community because scientific testing has found no evidence in astrological traditions. In our society people believe a lot in astrology. They feel that they can find the right solutions to their problems through astrology so many people have made it their business and cheating them. Following the scientific approach I think it is a blind faith.

**6] What is your reaction to the conversation between the astrologer and his wife?**

I feel happy to know about the end of the astrologer's mental burden of his life through their conversation about murder of Guru Nayak. Due to the fear, he had even left his village. But, he found Guru Nayak alive and finally got rid of his terrible burden. Next, I feel a little upset about their poor economic status. The family could not fulfill the daughter's simple wish for a long time due to the lack of money. Now the astrologer's wife planned to buy Jaggery and coconut to prepare sweet for their daughter when they got twelve and a half annas.

**7] Suspense is the feeling of anticipation you may have as you read. In this story, what details contributed to your feelings of suspense and surprise? Explain.**

I feel suspense and surprise when the astrologer tells the stranger about his past events, his name and address accurately and the stranger becomes too excited and satisfied to hear it. But while reading the story a question arises in my mind as "How did he answer accurately?" This particular suspense turns into surprise when the astrologer tells his past story's details to his wife after dinner. Astrologer's past story's details have solved the mystery of suspense and created surprises for me.



**Do as directed.(Grammar)**

**a] It was a remarkable place in many ways.**

**(Choose correct alternative to rewrite the given sentence as an exclamatory sentence)**



- 1] It was a remarkable place in many ways!
- 2] How a remarkable place in many ways it was!
- 3] **What a remarkable place in many ways it was!**
- 4] What remarkable in many ways the place it was!

b) **He spread out his professional equipment, which consisted of a dozen cowrie shells.**

(Choose correct alternative to rewrite the given sentence as a compound sentence)

1. He spread out his professional equipment but it consisted of a dozen cowrie shells.
2. **He spread out his professional equipment and it consisted of a dozen cowrie shells.**
3. He spread out his professional equipment that it consisted of a dozen cowrie shells.
4. He spread out his professional equipment and it had consisted of a dozen cowrie shells.

3] **He could not rest till he left it behind a couple of hundred miles. (Use- Be unable to)**

1] **He was unable to rest till he left it behind a couple of hundred miles.**

2] He was not able to rest till he left it behind a couple of hundred miles.

3] He was not rest till he left it behind a couple of hundred miles.

4] **If I prove you are bluffing, you must return that anna to me with interest (Use – Unless)**

1] **Unless I prove you are bluffing, you must not return that anna to me with interest**

2] Unless I not prove you are bluffing, you must return that anna to me with interest

3] Unless I do not prove you are bluffing, you must return that anna to me with interest

5] **This colour scheme never failed. [Make- Affirmative]**

1] This colour scheme always not be failed

2] This colour scheme always be failed

3] **This colour scheme always be successful.**

6] **The astrologer never opened his mouth. [Make-Affirmative]**

1] **The astrologer always failed to open his mouth.**

2] The astrologer did not open his mouth.

3] The astrologer always opened his mouth.

### Examples of Tense

1] **He spread out his professional equipment (Past Perfect continuous Tense)**

Ans.: He had been spreading out his professional equipment

2] **His eyes sparkled with a sharp abnormal gleam (Past Perfect Tense)**

Ans.: His eyes had sparkled with a sharp abnormal gleam

3] **This colour scheme never failed. (Simple future Tense)**

Ans.: This colour scheme will never fail.

4] **He sat under the boughs of a spreading tamarind tree. (Present Perfect Tense)**

Ans.: He has sat under the boughs of a spreading tamarind tree.

5] **A surging crowd was always moving up and down this narrow road from morning till night.**

(Present Perfect continuous Tense)

Ans.: A surging crowd has been always moving up and down this narrow road from morning till night.

3] **They have created enough dins all day to attract the whole town. (Future perfect Tense)**

Ans.: They will have created enough dins all day to attract the whole town.

7] **Next to him in vociferousness came a vendor of fried groundnut. (Past Perfect Tense)**

Ans.: Next to him in vociferousness had come a vendor of fried groundnut.

8] **A considerable portion of this crowd dallied before the astrologer too. (Future perfect Tense)**

Ans.: A considerable portion of this crowd will have dallied before the astrologer too.

9] **The astrologer transacted his business by the light of a flare. (Present Perfect Tense)**

Ans.: The astrologer has transacted his business by the light of a flare.



**10] This suited the astrologer very well. (Past Perfect Tense)**

Ans.: This had suited the astrologer very well.

**11] He carried home at the end of a day. (Present Perfect continuous Tense)**

Ans.: He has been carrying home at the end of a day.

**12] A surging crowd was always moving up. (Present Perfect Tense)**

Ans.: A surging crowd has always moved up.

**13] He had left his village without any previous thought or plan. (Future perfect Tense)**

Ans.: He will have left his village without any previous thought or plan.

**14] The child has been asking for sweets for so many days now. (Present Perfect Tense)**

Ans.: The child has asked for sweets for so many days now.

## Examples of Degree

**1] He knew no more of what was going to happen to others than he knew what was going to happen to himself next minute.**

Ans: He knew as much of what was going to happen to himself next minute as he knew what was going to happen to others

**2] He was as much a stranger to the stars as were his innocent customers.**

Ans: His innocent customers were not more a stranger to the stars than he was.

**3] It was as much an honest man's labour as any other.**

Ans: No other thing was more an honest man's labour than it./

No other was more an honest man's labour than it.

## Examples of Reported speech (direct and indirect)

**1] He sensed a possible client and said, "You look so careworn. It will do you good to sit down for a while and chat with me."**

Ans: He sensed a possible client and said that he look so careworn. And added that it would do him good to sit down for a while and chat with him.

**2] The man said to the astrologer, "Do you call yourself an astrologer?"**

Ans: The man asked the astrologer if he called himself an astrologer.

**3] The other said. "Tell me something worthwhile."**

Ans: The other said to tell him something worthwhile.

**4] The astrologer said to the man, "I charge only three pies per question."**

Ans: The astrologer told the man that he charged only three pies per question.

**5] The man said to the astrologer, "I have some questions to ask. If I prove you are bluffing, you must return that anna to me with interest."**

Ans: The man told the astrologer that he had some questions to ask and added that if he proved he was bluffing, he must return that anna to him with interest.

**6] The astrologer said to the man, " Will you give me five rupees?"**

Ans: The astrologer asked the man if he would give him five rupees.

**7] He said to the client, " Will you give me eight annas?"**

Ans: He asked the client if he would give him eight annas.

**8] "You give me twice as much if you are wrong," said the stranger to the astrologer.**

Ans: The astrologer told the stranger that he gave him twice as much if he were wrong.

**9] The astrologer said to him, "Take your anna back. I am not used to such challenges. It is late for me today."**

Ans: The astrologer told him to take his anna back and added that he was not used to such challenges and it was late for him that day.

**10] Guru Nayak said to the man, "You can't get out of it now. You dragged me in while I was passing."**

**Ans:** Guru Nayak told the man that he couldn't get out of it then and added that he dragged him in while he was passing. Guru Nayak told the man that he couldn't get out of it then and added that he had dragged him in while he had been passing.

**11] The astrologer said to him, "Leave me today, please. I will speak to you tomorrow."**

**Ans:** The astrologer requested him to leave him that day and added that he would speak to him the next day.

**12] He said, "Challenge is challenge. Go on."**

**Ans:** He said that challenge was challenge and said again to go on.

**13] "Stop," said the other. "I don't want all that. Shall I succeed in my present search or not?"**

**Ans:** The other said to stop and added that he didn't want that all and he again asked if he would succeed in his present search or not.

**14] "Answer this and go. Otherwise I will not let you go till you disgorge all your coins," said the other to the astrologer.**

**Ans:** The other told the astrologer to answer that and go and added that Otherwise he would not let him go till he disgorged all his coins.

**15] The astrologer said, "Guru Nayak, you were left for dead. Am I right?"**

**Ans:** The astrologer told Guru Nayak that he was left for dead and asked if he was right./

The astrologer told Guru Nayak that he had been left for dead and asked if he was right.

**16] Guru Nayak said to the man, "You know my name."**

**Ans:** Guru Nayak told the man that he knew his name.

**17] "Take the next train and be gone" he said.**

**Ans:** He said to take the next train and be gone

**18] "Why should I leave home again?" the other said reflectively.**

**Ans:** The other asked reflectively why he should leave home again.

**19] She said, "I can buy some jaggery and coconut tomorrow."**

**Ans:** She said that she could buy some jaggery and coconut the next day.

**20] "You look worried. What is wrong?" his wife said to him.**

**Ans:** His wife told him that he looked worried and asked what was wrong.

**21] The astrologer said to the man, "I charge only three pies per question."**

**Ans:** The astrologer told the man that he charged only three pies per question.

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**17] Match the suffixes with the words and make nouns.**

word	suffix	noun
auction	able	<b>auctioneer</b>
enchant	ure	<b>enchantment</b>
know	ment	<b>knowledge</b>
prepare	eer	<b>preparation</b>
proceed	ance	<b>procedure</b>
appear	ledge	<b>appearance</b>
remark	tion	<b>remarkable</b>

**18] Irony is a situation in which we expect to have something, but results the opposite or a very different:** Find out the examples of Irony from the story and write them down.

1] He knew no more of what was going to happen to others than he knew what was going to happen to himself the next minute.

2] The Astrologer is quite innocent regarding the murder. He uses his skill by telling that the murderer is dead. This is the Ironic end of the story.

3] The Astrologer had a working analysis of human troubles. He would let the person speak for ten minutes

so that he would get something to answer.

4] The Astrologer said -'Guru Nayak'. At This time Guru Nayak was surprised how the Astrologer knows his name. Then he really started to believe in Astrologer.

### 19] Code-mixing

Code-mixing is the mixing of two or more languages in speech. Find out the examples of Code-mixing words from the story and write them down.

1] Cowrie Shells 2] Raja's Delicacy 3] Bombay Ice-cream 4] Eight Annas 5] Jukta Drivers 6] Half Annas

#### More examples of Code-mixing

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| a] School chale hum                      | b] Yes hi hai right choice, baby                  |
| c] Kal par control                       | d] Rowdy Rothod                                   |
| e] Kyunki hare k friend zaroori hota hai | f] The amazing street fare, bhelpuri and vada pav |
| g] Double dhamaka                        | h] Domino's pizza : Hungry kya?                   |
| i] Haldiram's : Taste mein naya twist!   | j] Yes dil mange more                             |

20] There are some phrases where the word "crown" is used with different shades of meaning. Use the following phrases to complete the sentences meaningfully.

a] crowning achievement (The most important, significant or excellent moment of one's career or life.)

b] to crown the effect (good effect)

c] crown of thorns (difficult work)

d] crowning glory ( the best and most notable aspect of something.)

e] to crown it all ( the final event in a series of particularly fortunate)

1] **To crown the effect**, he wound a saffron- coloured turban around his head.

2] The works of Shakespeare are **the crowning glory** of English drama.

3] Amitabh has given us awesome movies throughout five decades. But his **crowning achievement** is his performance in the movie „Black“.

4] In her pursuit of success, Radha has distanced herself from her family. Her fame has become a real **crown of thorns**.

5] They threw a wonderful party for me with costumes, games and to **crown it all** my favourite kind of ice cream.

6] Medical science has great inventions, but organ transplantation is definitely a **crowning achievement** for human beings.



### Extra : Short Answer type questions

1] Who was the astrologer? Why did he leave his house?

Ans. The astrologer was the son of a farmer. Without telling anybody, he left his house because he thought that he had murdered a man.

2] What advice did the astrologer give the stranger?

Ans. The astrologer told the stranger that his enemy had died long before and advised him not to leave his home

3] **Why did the astrologer advised the stranger never to travel southward**

Ans. The astrologer advised the stranger never to travel southward because he lived in this direction himself and he was his enemy.

4] How did the astrologer please and astonish his customers?

Ans. The astrologer pleased and astonished his customers by his statements which were the result of his study, practice and shrewd guesswork.

5] How much money did the astrologer charge per question?

Ans. The astrologer charged only three pies per question.

6] What was the name of the stranger?



Ans. The name of the stranger was Guru Nayak.

7] What did the woman propose to buy the next day?

Ans. The woman proposed to buy some jaggery and coconut the next day.

8] How much night had passed when the astrologer reached home?

Ans. When the astrologer reached home, half of the night had passed.

9] How many annas did the astrologer give to his wife?

Ans. The astrologer gave twelve and a half annas to his wife.


10] What was the load on the astrologer?

Ans. The astrologer had a load of wrong notion that he had killed a man.

16] In the story, the following characters reveal their qualities through words and actions. Pick out the words that describe them and write before the characters. (homework)

shrewd	clever	suspicious	gullible
arrogant	demanding	antagonistic	quarrelsome
overconfident	manipulative	skeptical	mystical
smart	caring	protective	sharp
rational	mean	intuitive	aggressive
worried	cunning	humanistic	impetuous

Astrologer	Guru Nayak	Astrologer's wife
(1) shrewd	Manipulative	Caring
(2) smart	Arrogant	Worried
(3) demanding	Suspicious	Protective
(4) sharp	aggressive	humanistic



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