

A+ BLOG UNIT EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

CLASS: X

ADVENTURES IN A BANYAN TREE

Marks-20

I. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. (5)

Before long he was delving into my pockets and helping himself to whatever he could find. He was a very young squirrel, and his friends and relatives probably thought him headstrong and foolish for trusting a human.

In the spring, when the banyan tree was full of small red figs, birds of all kinds would flock into its branches, the red-bottomed bulbul, cheerful and greedy; gossiping rosy pastors; and parrots and crows, squabbling with each other all the time. During the fig season, the banyan tree was the noisiest place on the road.

1. Pick out the word from the passage which means 'a minor fight or argument'.
2. When would birds flock in to the branches of the banyan tree?
3. Why does the boy say that the banyan tree was the noisiest place on the road during the fig season?
4. Name the birds that would flock into the banyan tree during the fig season.
5. "He was a very young squirrel"- Identify the Noun phrase and the Verb phrase in the sentence.

II. Edit the passage:- (4)

The banyan tree was the domain on(a) the boy. There was an (b) small grey squirrel became her (c) friend. The bonding was so good that the squirrel often take (d) food from his hands.

III. Read the following conversation and answer the questions. (2)

Boy:-Who was Countess of Desmond?

Grandmother:-An English woman who tried to climbing the apple tree at the age of 117.

Boy asked to grand mother _____

Grandmother replied that _____

IV. The boy was excited to see the thrilling fight between the snake and the mongoose. That night he wrote his feelings in his diary. Prepare the likely diary entry.

(5)

V. Replace the underlined words with phrasal verbs given in bracket. (4)

The boy communicated with his grandfather about the incident that happened under the banyan tree. It was not a great deal for the grandfather to surrender the snake by mongoose. Boy said that mongoose performed well. So the mongoose friendship with the family continued.

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