

5. Painting the Breeze.

1. Answer the following questions with reference to context.

1. The last few days had not been easy for nine-year old Parvati and Laxman, her elder brother.

a) Why had the last few days not been easy?

The last few days had not been easy because their father was ill.

b) What was their father's profession?

Their father was a potter.

c) What was the problem if the father did not work?

If the father did not work, they would have nothing to eat or live on.

2. Parvati took it upon herself to decorate the vessels with her limited resources.

a) What made Parvati decorate the vessels?

Parvati decorated the vessels to make them more appealing and fetch a higher price.

b) Name the limited resources that Parvati used.
Parvati used homemade black and white pigments and common twists for brushes.

c) Which quality of Parvati do you see in this sentence? Pick the correct option.

- i) hopelessness
- ii) taking initiative or action
- iii) pessimism (looking at things negatively).

ii) taking initiative or action.

3. The woman's laughter rang out like tinkling bells. 'The sky! How can one draw the sky?'

a) Who is 'the woman' here?

The woman is the queen.

b) Why did the woman exclaim in surprise?

The woman exclaimed in surprise because she found it unusual to draw the sky.

How much amount did the woman pay to buy the pots?

The woman paid twelve panas to buy the pots.

Answer the following questions:

Why was Laxman nervous about making the pots?

Laxman was nervous about making the pots because he had never worked alone, and the idea scared him.

What made Parvati decide to decorate her pots?

Parvati got the idea to decorate the pots with paintings to make them more appealing and fetch a higher price.

What did Parvati paint on the pot and why?
Parvati painted a row of clouds around the plate to add a touch of the sky's joy to her pot.

What brilliant idea did Laxman get to sell their wares?

Laxman's idea was to present their

pottery to a passing noble lady to attract attention and potential buyers.

II Answer in detail:

1. Describe the lady as seen by Parvati. Give details about her clothes, jewellery and her appearance.

The lady was described as wearing clothes made of the finest silk, a long thin scarf of the *uttariya* with a shade of dull gold adorned with precious stones.

She wore two necklaces, a short string of pearls and a long gold chain down to her waist.

There were thick *kanganas* and bangles of gold on her wrists, and her anklets were intricately designed in gold. Overall, she appeared grand and majestic.

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6. Long Live Friendship.

Answer the following questions with reference to context.

1. Our point is that this is modern-day India in the 21st century.
 - a) Who is the speaker here?
Rohan is the speaker here.
 - b) Who is he talking to?
He is talking to Yandoot.
 - c) What does 21st century refer to?
The 21st century refers to the present day.
2. Hush! Don't speak so loudly. What if Yamraj hears you? No one has ever dared to speak about him in such a manner!
 - a) Who is the speaker in the above sentences?
The gatekeeper is the speaker.
 - b) Why does the speaker hush the children?
The speaker hushes the children because he does not want Yamraj to be disturbed.
 - c) Why has no one dared to speak about Yamraj in such a manner?
No one has dared to speak about Yamraj in such a manner because they all fear Yamraj's anger.

II Answer the following questions:-

1. What is Yandoot telling Vikram when the children arrive?

Yandoot is telling Vikram that he has to accompany Yandoot to his world.

2. What responsibility has Yandraj entrusted Yandoot with?

Yandraj has entrusted Yandoot with the responsibility of handing over Vikram and rushing to Delhi for an urgent appointment.

3. Write any two things that Yash and Sheela tell Yandoot about Vikram.

Yash and Sheela tell Yandoot that Vikram is the leader of their gang and the captain of the cricket team.

4. Why doesn't Yandoot believe that Vikram will recover?

Yandoot does not believe that Vikram will recover because he thinks malaria is a life-threatening disease.

Why doesn't anyone dare to disturb Yarraaj?

Nobody dares to disturb Yarraaj because they fear his anger.

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Format Of Diary Writing.

1. Day and time.

2. Time.

3. Salutation.

4. Opening.

5. Body / content

6. Closing Remark.

a. You are Laxman. Write a diary sharing your feelings after selling pottery to the queen.

Laxman's diary.

Monday, 11 August 2025
7pm.

Dear Diary,

Today is the happiest day of my life. I can't believe it. I sold my pots to the Queen herself! When her guards came to my little hut, I thought they were here to complain. But they said the queen loved my work and wanted to buy them.

I was nervous when the queen paid me. It was more money than I had ever held in my hands. My heart was beating fast, and I couldn't stop smiling. I kept thinking, is this really happening to me.

Now we can buy better clay, make more beautiful pots, and maybe even fix the roof of my shop. I feel proud of myself, will be thankful to god too.

What an unforgettable day!

Laxman.

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Character sketch of Mother Teresa.

Mother Teresa was a kind and caring woman who spent her life helping poor and sick people. She was born in Albania in 1910 and became a nun when she was young. She moved to India and saw many people suffering on the streets. She decided to help them.

She started a group called the 'Missionaries of Charity'. They gave food, medicine, and love to people who had no one to care for them. Mother Teresa believed that every person mattered, no matter how poor or sick they were. She treated everyone with respect and kindness.

People around the world admired her for her good work. She won the Nobel Peace prize in 1979. Even though she became famous, she stayed humble and continued to serve others.

She is remembered as a symbol of peace, kindness and selfless service.