# An Elementary School Classroom in a Slum

Question 1.

Identify the literary device in 'slums as big as doom'.

(a) simile

(b) metaphor

- (c) alliteration
- (d) personification

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) simile

Question 2. Identify the literary device in 'whose language is the sun'. (a) simile (b) metaphor (c) alliteration (d) personification

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (b) metaphor

Question 3. 'Break O break'. What should they break? (a) the donations (b) all bathers (c) the slums (d) the schools

# Answer

Answer: (b) all bathers

Question 4.

The imprisoned minds and lives of the slum children can be released from their bondage if they are given an experience of the outer world.

- (a) never
- (b) soon
- (c) eventually
- (d) magically

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) magically

Question 5. Identify the literary device in 'spectacles of steel'. (a) simile (b) metaphor

- (c) alliteration
- (d) personification

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (b) metaphor

Question 6.

The last stanza is unlike the rest of the poem.

(a) long

(b) short

(c) optimistic

(d) pessimistic

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) optimistic

Question 7.

Where do their lives 'slyly turn'? (a) in their cramped holes (b) towards the sun (c) towards the school

(d) towards the windows

▼ Answer

Answer: (a) in their cramped holes

Question 8.

The map is a bad example as it makes one aware of

- (a) the beautiful world
- (b) cleaner lanes
- (c) the political structure
- (d) the civil design
- ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) the beautiful world

Question 9. Identify the literary device in `future's painted with a fog'. (a) simile (b) metaphor (c) alliteration

(d) personification

▼ Answer

Answer: (b) metaphor

Question 10.

Shakespeare is wicked because he the children.

- (a) educates
- (b) tempts
- (c) loves
- (d) hates

▼ Answer

Answer: (b) tempts

Question 11.

What does the map represent?

(a) world of the rich and powerful

- (b) world of the poor
- (c) world of the slum school children
- (d) world the poet wants for the slum children

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) world of the rich and powerful

Question 12.

What is the stunted boy reciting?

- (a) the lesson from his desk
- (b) Shakespeare's poetry
- (c) leaves of nature
- (d) his composition

▼ Answer

Answer: (a) the lesson from his desk

#### Question 13.

'On sour cream walls. Donations' suggests

- (a) schools are well equipped
- (b) schools are small but they try to impart education
- (c) schools have a poor and ill-equipped environment
- (d) schools meet the education requirements of the children through donations
- ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) schools have a poor and ill-equipped environment

Question 14.

Who sits at the back of the class?

(a) a sweet and young pupil

- (b) a paper seeming boy
- (c) a tall girl
- (d) a girl with hair like rootless weeds

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) a sweet and young pupil

Question 15. The colour of sour cream is (a) white (b) yellow (c) off-white (d) pale

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) off-white

Question 16.

The paper-seeming boy with rat's eyes' means the boy is

- (a) sly and secretive
- (b) short and lean
- (c) hungry and thin
- (d) sad and depressed

Answer

Answer: (c) hungry and thin

Question 17.

Identify the literary device in 'father's gnarled disease'.

- (a) simile
- (b) metaphor
- (c) alliteration
- (d) personification

# Answer

Answer: (b) metaphor

Question 18. Identify the literary device in `rat's eyes'. (a) simile (b) metaphor

- (c) alliteration
- (d) personification

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (b) metaphor

Question 19. Identify the literary device in 'like roofless weeds'. (a) simile (b) metaphor (c) alliteration (d) personification

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) simile

Question 20.

What does 'gusty waves' imply?(a) slum children(b) energetic children(c) deceased children(d) unhappy children

▼ Answer

Answer: (b) energetic children

Question 21.

What does the expression 'Break O break open' suggest?

(a) barriers on the road

- (b) barriers of garbage heap
- (c) barriers of dirty environment must be broken
- (d) None
- Answer

Answer: (c) barriers of dirty environment must be broken

Question 22.

What have the windows done to the children's lives in the poem?

(a) shut the doors

(b) blocked the passage

- (c) clocked the Sunlight
- (d) have shut the children inside and blocked their growth

Answer: (d) have shut the children inside and blocked their growth

Question 23.

What does the poet show through expressions 'so blot their maps with slums as big as doom'?

- (a) his clot the street
- (b) enjoy the maps
- (c) big maps
- (d) poet's protest against social injustice and inequalities

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) poet's protest against social injustice and inequalities

Question 24.

Mention any two images used to explain the plight of the slum children.

- (a) open handed map
- (b) from his desk
- (c) belled, flowery
- (d) foggy slums and bottle bits on stones

#### Answer

Answer: (d) foggy slums and bottle bits on stones

Question 25. What attracts the slum children? (a)The animals (b) The movies (c) icecream (d) All beautiful things like ship, Sun

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) All beautiful things like ship, Sun

Question 26.

In what sense are the slum chidren different?

- (a) their IQ
- (b) their wisdom
- (c) their dresses
- (d) because of no access to hope and openness of the world

Answer: (d) because of no access to hope and openness of the world

Question 27.

What does the expression 'Open handed map " show?

- (a) power of the poor
- (b) the poor are powerful
- (c) the poor are powerless
- (d) maps are drawn at the orders of the powerful people like hitler

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) maps are drawn at the orders of the powerful people like hitler

Question 28. What is the stunted boy reciting? (a) a happy song (b) a religious song (c) a sad song (d) a lesson from desk

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) a lesson from desk

Question 29.

Who was sitting at the back of the dim class?

- (a) a girl
- (b) an old man
- (c) a teacher
- (d) an unnoticed young boy

▼ Answer

Answer: (d) an unnoticed young boy

Question 30.

What kind of look the faces and hair of the children give?

- (a) a rich and beautiful
- (b) organized
- (c) healthy
- (d) pale faces and scattered and undone hair

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) pale faces and scattered and undone hair

Question 31. Why is the head of the tall girl 'weighed down'? (a) by the burden of studies (b) by the burden of work

- (c) by the burden of the world
- (d) All these

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) by the burden of the world

Question 32.

What does the poet wish for the children of the slums?

(a) He wish them to be happy and healthy

(b) He wishes a good change for them

(c) he wants them to lead a healthy and happy life

(d) All these

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) All these

Question 33.

How can powerful people help the poor children?

- (a) by fighting with the government
- (b) by fighting with the powerful
- (c) by bridging gaps of inequalities and injustice
- (d) by fighting with the rich

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) by bridging gaps of inequalities and injustice

Question 34.

What do Catacombs signify?

(a) underground cemetry showing irrelevance of the map hanging on the wall of the classroom

(b) irrelevance of the classroom

(c) irrelevance of the school

(d) irrelevance of the children

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) underground cemetry showing irrelevance of the map hanging on the wall of the classroom

Question 35.

What was the boy with rat's eyes trying to escape from?

- (a) bright light outside
- (b) openness of trees
- (c) dim light of the class
- (d) children in the room

Answer: (c) dim light of the class

Question 36.

What do the faces of children in the slum areas reflect?

- (a) happiness
- (b) their aspirations
- (c) their happiness
- (d) sadness and lack of enthusiasm

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) sadness and lack of enthusiasm

Question 37.

What are the poetic devices used in the poem?

(a) alliteration and simile

- (b) metaphor and imagery
- (c) synecdoche, and irony
- (d) All these

# Answer

Answer: (d) All these

Question 38. What kind of life the children living in slums have? (a) full of love (b) full of care and warmth (c) Hopeless and full of struggle (d) all these

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) Hopeless and full of struggle

Question 39.

What does the poet portray in the poem?

- (a) young minds
- (b) playfulness of the children
- (c) questions of young mind
- (d) the plight of young children in the slums

Answer: (d) the plight of young children in the slums

Question 40.

Who has written Elementary School Classroom in a Slum?

- (a) Kipling
- (b) Wordsworth
- (c) Kamlanath
- (d) Stephen Spender

### Answer

Answer: (d) Stephen Spender

Question 41.

What does the poet want?

- (a) to send the children out of the slums
- (b) to send the children to America
- (c) to send the children to open fields
- (d) to send the children to a beach

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) to send the children out of the slums

Question 42.

What other freedom the poet wants the slum children to enjoy?

- (a) Freedom of roaming
- (b) freedom to spend money
- (c) freedom to eat
- (d) freedom of knowledge, wisdom and expression

# ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) freedom of knowledge, wisdom and expression

#### Question 43.

What do the 'governor', inspector, visitor in the poem depict?

- (a) higher officials
- (b) Government officials
- (c) Political people
- (d) Powerful and influential people

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) Powerful and influential people

Question 44. What blots the maps of the slum children? (a) garbage

- (b) blockage
- (c) stones in the streets
- (d) Dirty slums

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) Dirty slums

Question 45.

What do the words 'From fog to endless night mean?

- (a) bright light outside
- (b) bright future
- (c) hopelessness
- (d) Dark and uncertain future of slum children from birth to death

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) Dark and uncertain future of slum children from birth to death