

A Tiger in the House

TEXTUAL QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Answer the following questions :-

Q.(i) By whom was the tiger cub discovered ?

Ans :- Grandfather was discovered the tiger cub.

Q.(ii) Where was it discovered ?

Ans :- It was discovered on a hunting expedition in the Terai jungle near Dehra.

Q.(iii) What was the name of the tiger cub ?

Ans :- 'Trimurthy' was the name of the tiger cub.

Q.(iv) Who named it ?

Ans :- Grandmother named it.

Q.(v) What were the two companions of the tiger cub in Grandfather's house ?

Ans :- Toto, the monkey and a small mongrel puppy were the two companions of the tiger cub in Grandmother's house.

Q.(vi) What was the favorite place of the tiger cub in the house ?

Ans :- The favorite place of the tiger cub in the house was the drawing-room.

Q.(vii) What was the visible change of the tiger cub when it was six months old ?

Ans :- When Timothy was about six months old a change came over the tiger cub, that he grew steadily less friendly.

Q.(viii) Why was the tiger transferred to the Zoo ?

Ans :- When the tiger began to stalk Mahmoud about the house and looked him like villainous intent. Then grandfather decided to transfer the tiger to the zoo.

(ix) What annoyed grandfather when he went to meet his tiger in the zoo ?

Ans :- Grandfather annoyed on hearing the stammered sentence of the keeper that it is not your tiger and your tiger died two months ago”.

Working with language

1. Study the following phrases and their meanings. Use them appropriately to complete the sentences that following :-

Give up : Abandon

Give off : Emit

Give away : Distribute

Give out : Exhaust

Give over : Hand over

Give in : Yield

(i) They were ___ to the enemy.

(ii) The president ___ the prizes.

(iii) I tried hard but ultimately, I had to ___.

(iv) He at first opposed the proposal, but at last ___.

(v) This flower ___ a sweet smell.

(vi) My patience ___ at last.

Ans :-

- (i) They were given over to the enemy.
- (ii) The president gave away the prizes.
- (iii) I tried hard but ultimately, I had to give up.
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- (v) This flower gives off a sweet smell.
- (vi) My patience gave out at last.

2. Read the following sentences :-

- (a) I was having my breakfast when the light went out.
- (b) She was reading when the teacher came.

The verbs in italics are in the past continuous tense. Find six examples of verbs in the past continuous tense in the text and write them down.

Ans :-

- (i) When my grandparents was visiting relatives in Lucknow, Grandfather took the opportunity to see Timothy.
- (ii) What Grandfather was doing when the keeper came.
- (iii) The tiger was liking grandfather's arm.

(iv) He was playing when Ratan met him.

(v) When I saw him, he was reading a book.

(vi) While I was reading, my sister was writing.

3. The young one of a tiger is called 'cub'. Write what the young ones of the following animals are called-

Animals	Young ones
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Lion	_____
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Horse	_____
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Elephant	_____
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Wolf	_____
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Fox	_____
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Buffalo	_____
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Ans :-

Animals	Young ones
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Lion	Cub
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Horse	Foal
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Elephant	Calf
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Wolf	Pup
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Fox	Kit
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Buffalo	Calf
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4. Notice the following sentences –

(a) He said, “I am reading now”.

(b) He told that he was reading then.

The first sentence is in direct speech. Direct speech shows what people actually said. Reported (or indirect) speech is how we later report this, making changes to the words the speaker originally said. Second sentence is in reported speech.

Now turn the following sentences into reported speech-

(i) The keeper said to Grandfather, “Timothy died of Pneumonia two months ago.

(ii) Grandfather said to the keeper, “The leopard keeps frightening the tiger.”

(iii) The keeper said to Grandfather, “Please continue your conversation.”

(iv) Grandfather said, “Why don’t you put him somewhere else ?”

(v) Grandfather said, “Goodnight. Timothy”.

Ans :-

(i) The keeper said to Grandfather that Timothy died of pneumonia two months ago.

(ii) Grandfather told the keeper that the leopard kept frightening.

(iii) The keeper requested to grandfather to continue his conversation.

(iv) Grandfather wished goodnight to Timothy.

5. Find out the meaning of the following words by looking them up in the dictionary. Then use them in sentences of your own.

Tickle, Smack, Ridiculously, Intricate, Magnificent, Steadily, Writing.

Ans :-

(i) Tickle – To excite the skin by touching (সুৰ সুৰণি)

She tickled in the stomach of the baby.

(ii) Smack – Slight taste (সামান্য সোৱাদ)

The dinner of the party smack me.

(iii) Ridiculously – You look ridiculously in that old hat. (বিদ্রুপাত্মক insulted)

(iv) Intricate – The tiger intricated in the root of the banyan tree.

(v) Magnificent – Hard work gave him a magnificent success.

(vi) Steadily – He grew steadily.

(vii) Writing – Writing habit in the best for a student.

6. Do you have a pet? Write a short paragraph on your pet.

Ans :- Yes, I have a puppy as a pet. His name is Tim. From the day, my elder brother gifted me Tim on my birthday, he has become my best friend. He loves to play with me. He also plays with my toys. During night he sleeps besides one. In the morning he is the one to wake me up with his furry hair.

7. Write a short paragraph (in about 30 words) on the tiger cub's habits.

Ans :- The tiger is the largest cat species. Tiger are solitary species. It is considered to be a symbol of strength and courage. However, tiger cubs are small furry animals. They love to stay around their mother. Tiger cubs are born helpless but mature quickly.

At eight weeks old, they learn to hunt. At two years old, the cubs set out on their own for hunting.

9. Make the correct answer in each of the following :-

(i) Timothy was put on a diet of raw mutton and cod liver oil because

- (a) It was good for him.
- (b) Milk proved too rich for Timothy.
- (c) He loved eating meat.

Ans :- (b) Milk proved too rich for Timothy.

(ii) The zoo authorities were glad to receive Timothy because of its

- (a) Eating habits.
- (b) Cleanliness.
- (c) Well feeding and fairly civilized habits.

Ans :- (c) Well feeding and fairly civilized habits.

(iii) The keeper told the grandfather that his tiger died of

- (a) Cholera.
- (b) Jaundice.
- (c) Pneumonia.

Ans :- (c) Pneumonia.