

UNIT – 4 – THE ATTIC

I. Short Answers:

1. Who were Aditya's ancestors?
2. How was the landscape through which they travelled.
3. Why did Aditya and his friend go to the jeweller?
4. Why did Aditya decide to visit his ancestral home?
5. What did Aditya offer Sanyal?
6. What did Nagen Uncle tell about Sanyal's past life?
7. How did Sanyal show that he had a sense of self-respect?
8. What was engraved on the medal?
9. Why was the attic 'a favourite place' for the children?
10. What did the jeweller say about the article?

II. Paragraph Questions:

1. Give a detailed account of all thoughts and questions in the narrator's mind while accompanying Aditya from the tea shop to Sanyal's house?
2. 'Man does change with time'-What were the various changes that came about in Aditya?

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UNIT – 4 – POEM – THE ANT AND THE CRICKET

I. Read the following lines and answer the questions below:

1. *Began to complain when he found that, at home,
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.*
 - a) Who does he refer to?
 - b) Why was his cupboard empty?
2. *At last by starvation and famine made bold,
All dripping with wet, and all trembling with cold,*
 - a) What made the cricket bold?
 - b) Why did the cricket drip and tremble?

3. *Away he set off to a miserly ant,*

To keep if, to keep him alive, he would grant

Him shelter from rain,

And a mouthful of grain.

- a) Whom did the cricket want to meet? Why?
- b) What would keep him alive?

4. *But we ants never borrow; we ants never lend.*

- a) Why do you think ants neither borrow nor lend?
- b) Who says these lines to whom?

5. *He wished only to borrow;*

He'd repay it tomorrow;

- a) Pick out the rhyming words in the above lines.
- b) Give more examples of rhyming words from the poem.

II. Paragraph Questions:

1. 'Some crickets have four legs and some have two'. Elucidate this statement from the poet's point of view.
2. Compare and contrast the attitude of the ant and the cricket.

(NOTE: As for supplementary reader the students are advised to read the whole lesson. The questions will be asked from either "Choose the best answer, Rearrange the sentences in coherent order, Comprehension or Develop the hints")