

## Model Question & Answers

CLASS X

FATHER'S HELP

- 1) What did Swami realize with a shudder?  
Swami realized with a shudder that it was Monday morning.
- 2) What did Swami hope on Monday morning?  
On Monday morning, Swami hoped he didn't have to go to school.
- 3) What excuse did Swami give for not going to school?  
Swami told his parents that he had a headache.
- 4) Where should have been Swami at 9:30?  
Swami should have been in the school prayer hall at 9:30.
- 5) What was the reaction of Swami's father?  
Swami's father thought that the headache was nonsense & wanted Swami to go to school.
- 6) What according to Swami's father, was the cause of Swami's headache?  
Swami loafed about in the Sun on Sundays, & that according to Swami's father was the cause of headache.

7) Why did Swami's father say that Swami would have to go to school?

Swami's father said that Swami would have to go to school because he had the headache for his own fault.

8) Where did Swami stop to make up his mind about Samuel?

Swami stopped on the roadside to make up his mind about Samuel.

9) Why did Swami change his tactics?

Swami changed his tactics because his father was strict.

10) With whom was Samuel especially angry?

Samuel was especially angry with the boys who are late to school.

11) Why didn't ~~anyone~~ ~~tell~~ the headmaster about Samuel?

No one said so because the headmaster himself was afraid of Samuel.

12) What unexpected turn did the behavior of Swami's father take?

Swami's father prepared to send a letter of complaint against Samuel.

1) Why, do you think, the mountain & the squirrel had a quarrel?

The mountain denounced the squirrel as little Prig so they both had a quarrel.

2) Why does the squirrel think that it's no disgrace to occupy its place? / How does the squirrel justify his size?

The nature & the universe is a delicate combination of heterogeneous diversity. Everything in the universe has its own place & is fundamental. Therefore the squirrel was not the least ashamed at all to occupy its own place, however little it may be.

3) What doesn't the squirrel deny?

The squirrel doesn't deny that the mountain makes a pretty squirrel track.

4) What is the mountain unable to do? The mountain can not crack a very small nut.

5) What does the squirrel mean by "all is well & wisely put"?

There is a difference of merit in everything in the universe.

## The Passing Away Of BAPU

1) What news came to the writer on 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 1948?

On 30<sup>th</sup> January, 1948 the writer was informed that Gandhiji had been shot.

2) What happened at the Birla house?

At the Birla House, Gandhiji's followers & relatives gathered round the mortal body of Gandhiji.

3) How did the words of Bapu's death spread through Delhi?

The news of Bapu's death spread through Delhi like a flame that was fanned by wind.

4) What kind of atmosphere was there in the Birla House?

People at Birla House were silenced by the shock of Gandhi's sudden death.

5) Why did people start jostling?

People started jostling with one another to break into the house where Gandhi's body was lying.

6) What helped people to calm down a little?

The announcement that they would be permitted to see Gandhi's dead body helped people to calm down a little.

7) What question came first to the mind of the grieved people?

The question that came first to the mind of the grieved people was that what would happen of them now as their beloved father is no more.

8) What major news was broadcast on 30th Jan. 1948?

The news of Gandhi's death was being broadcast.

9) When was Gandhi's funeral to take place?  
...Took place the day after he had died.

10) On whose proposal everyone in the funeral procession of Gandhi walked?

It was on Mrs Naidu's daughter, Padmasini's proposal.

11) What was the realization of the writer as she walked in the funeral procession?

While walking in the funeral procession, the writer realized that she was among the people for whom walking with Bapu had a special meaning.

## My Own True Family

1) What happened after the child had met the old woman?

The child comes across an old woman. She tells him that she has his secret in her little bag. Saying this the woman begins to laugh with a strange harsh sound & this makes the boy tremble in fear. She opens up her little bag & puts the child under a spell.

2) What was the main point of argument of the oak trees?

The oak trees declare that they are ripped & mutilated indiscriminately, but human beings do not pay attention to them.

3) Where did the child creep in? Why did the child creep in an oakwood?

The child crept in an oakwood.  
The child was looking for a male deer (stag).

4) What did the old woman tell the child?

The old woman told to the child that he has his secret in her little bag.

5) What strange thing happened when the old woman opened her bag?

The old woman began to laugh with strange harsh sound & this made the boy tremble with fear.

6) How do the human beings behave when an oak-tree is felled?

The human beings remain cruelly indifferent. They never blink an eye or protested.

7) What did the oak trees ask the child to swear?

The oak trees ask the child to make an oath to protect the trees. Whenever he finds a tree felled, he must plant two instead.

8) What effect did the dream have on the child?

It was a spiritual reawakening for him. He woke up from his trance only to realize that man & tree should thrive as a single family. Therefore on his way back, he was a human child in form, but a tree at heart.