

Read the extracts and answer the questions that follow.

Extract-1

I had counted on all this noise to reach my bench unnoticed, but that day, as it happened, everything was quiet.

- What was the usual scene at school in the beginning? (2)
- What did the teacher say at the beginning of the class? (2)
- How did Frantz feel at it? (3)
- What did the teacher ask Frantz to recite? What happened when the boy tried to recite. Why? (3)
- What did the teacher write on the board? What does it mean and why did he write so? (3)
- Give one word for the following to suit the context. (3)
 - pitiful, tragic
 - the ends of the pages were worn out as the book was old
 - disturbed deeply with feelings of sadness and anger

Extract-2

As his motor coach rolled southeast towards the German capital, he started out from the window with increasing amazement.

- What did Jesse Owens see upon reaching Berlin? (2)
- What did the Nazis think of other races? (2)
- How did the Nazis regard themselves as well as the 1936 Olympics? (3)
- What did Owens's coach warn him? Was he right. How can you say that? (3)
- How did Jesse Owens crush Hitler's dream? (3)
- Give one word for the following to suit the context. (3)
 - set to compete with
 - small-minded wish to hurt
 - a perfect example of something

Extract-3

Kanzi also understands what he is told, even if he hears it on the telephone.

- Who was Kanzi? (2)
- How did Kanzi communicate with his human companions? (2)
- How can you say that the chimpanzees make use of judgement? (3)
- What do you mean by *human instinct*? How do the salmon make use of this instinct? (3)
- How did the American ^{scientist} test his theory, *the ability to understand a situation and react*? (3)
- Give one word for the following to suit the context. (3)
 - strange behaviour
 - something like a switchboard
 - likely to attack or fight

Extract-4

The boy went away after a whispered conversation with Suman. Then Suman, Amma and Mohan went into the small puja room.

- a) Who was Suman? Why was she there? (2)
- b) Why did the family choose the puja room? (2)
- c) How did Babu and Manju help the family while the family was at work? (3)
- d) Who was the strange visitor at night? How did he introduce himself and what did he inform the family? (3)
- e) What did Patil tell to Mohan when he tried to stop Amma from giving the cyclostyling machine? (3)
- f) Give one word for the following to suit the context. (3)
 - i) with contempt
 - ii) the sound of many people talking quietly
 - iii) very seriously and sincerely

Extract-5

*He sees the planet as his fief
Where every hair or drop or leaf
Or seed or blade or grain of sand
Is destined for his mouth or hand.*

- a) Who is the speaker here? What is he doing? (2)
- b) Why is it said, *If he needs room, then we must fly*? (2)
- c) Describe the impending danger the elephant mentions about the construction of the reservoir? (3)
- d) *When the road comes, the forest goes*. Explain? (3)
- e) What are the contrasting qualities found in man, that the elephant lists? What is in the middle of all such contradictions? (3)
- f) Give one word for the following to suit the context. (3)
 - i) a fresh-water fish
 - ii) satisfy the craving for something
 - iii) difficult to predict or understand