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	Topic: IN THE KINGDOM OF FOOLS	

QUESTION BANK

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS I

Choose the correct answer:

1. Name the author of 'In the Kingdom of Fools'.

- a) Ruskin Bond
- b) Oscar Wilde
- c) A.K Ramanujan
- d) Harsh Mander

2. In the kingdom of fools, _____

- a) the king was an idiot
- b) the minister was an idiot
- c) both the king and the minister were idiots
- d) neither the king nor the minister was an idiot

3. The king and the minister ordered that _____

- a) everyone should be awake at night
- b) people should do their work after dark
- c) everyone should go to bed as soon as the sun rose
- d) everyone should follow all the above directions

4. It surprised the guru and his disciple to see that everything in the shops of the town _____

- a) cost a rupee
- b) cost a duddu
- c) cost too much
- d) cost five rupees

5. The wall of the old house collapsed when the thief _____

- a) was making a hole in it
- b) was going in through the hole
- c) was trying to hide under the wall
- d) was carrying out the loot through the hole

6. The dancing girl put the blame on _____

- a) the bricklayer
- b) the rich merchant
- c) the goldsmith
- d) the rich merchant's father

7. The king said that the merchant had inherited _____

- a) his father's riches
- b) his father's sins
- c) his father's riches as well as sins
- d) none of the above

8. The Disciple was chosen for the stake because _____

- a) he was a fool.
- b) a fat man was needed.
- c) he had a guru.
- d) he was thin.

9. Who was executed in the end?

- a) The king and his minister.
- b) The guru and his disciple.
- c) The merchant and his father.
- d) The bricklayer and the goldsmith.

10. The new king after the execution of previous king was _____

- a) the guru
- b) the disciple
- c) the king's minister
- d) the king's son

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS II

Q1. What does this story speak about?

- a) kings
- b) kings and their ministers
- c) a kingdom ruled by a foolish king and his silly minister
- d) all

Q2. What does this story throw light upon?

- a) foolish people and the dangers they pose
- b) kings and their ministers
- c) always be happy
- d) wise people

Q3. Why the people in the kingdom are called foolish?

- a) because they follow all the ridiculous orders passed by their king
- b) because they listen to their king
- c) because they do silly things
- d) because they are foolish

Q4. How did the guru save the people of the kingdom?

- a) by flattering the king
- b) making the king believe that the new stake will bring fortune
- c) by helping the kingdom getting rid of the foolish king and his silly minister
- d) all

Q5. Who were the idiots?

- a) king and his minister

- b) people
- c) gurus
- d) all

Q6. What did the king and his minister decide to change?

- a) people
- b) customs
- c) night with day
- d) all

Q7. How was the night changed with day?

- a) people would work at night and sleep during day
- b) by lighting the kingdom
- c) by decorating everything
- d) none

Q8. How were the people made to obey the king's orders?

- a) by threatening to kill
- b) by speaking to them
- c) by showing them sword
- d) none

Q9. Who visited the kingdom?

- a) a guru and his disciple
- b) a king from another kingdom
- c) a merchant
- d) a princess

Q10. What did the guru and his disciple find at the grocery shop?

- a) many beautiful things
- b) same price for all the things
- c) a duddu
- d) none

Q11. Why was the guru's disciple initially happy?

- a) because of the capacity of buying all things at a nominal price
- b) because of the change systems
- c) because of the foolish people
- d) All

Q12. Why did guru decide to leave the place?

- a) because of some urgent work
- b) he had a message to leave the place
- c) king ordered to leave the place
- d) because he thought that it was not safe to be with fools for a long time

Q13. Who left the city?

- a) disciple
- b) guru
- c) silly minister
- d) king

Q14. What did the guru tell his disciple?

- a) the people were innocent
- b) the city was full of surprises
- c) behaviour of foolish is unpredictable and it was not safe to live with them
- d) none

Q15. Who broke into the merchant's house?

- a) king
- b) silly minister
- c) disciple
- d) a thief

LONG ANSWERS:

1. How was the Kingdom of Fools different from any other place?

Or

What was so strange about the Kingdom of Fools?

2. Why didn't the people go against the order of the king and the minister?

3. Now justice had come full circle, thought the king. What argument did the merchant come up with? What counter-argument did the king give?

4. Why did the guru want to leave this Kingdom quickly? Why did the disciple stay on?

5. What was 'foolish' about the king's trial of the merchant?

6. Who were the people questioned during the course of the trial, and what was each person's defence?

7. Who was finally blamed for the crime and why?

8. How did the king and his minister die in place of the guru and his disciple?

9. How did the kingdom become normal again?

10. What was ironical about the judgement passed by the king holding the dancing girl as the culprit?

11. What problem arose before the final execution of the criminal?

12. Why did the king's servants catch the disciple?

Or

Why was the disciple chosen to replace the merchant at the stake?

13. Why did the guru want that he and his disciple should die first?

14. What was the fight that the guru and his disciple got into? Why?

15. Why did the king decide to postpone the execution of the guru and his disciple?

16. How did the guru get rid of the foolish king?

Or

How did the guru succeed in befooling the king?

Or

Why did the foolish king decide to die at the stake?

17. What did the king and his minister decide in secret? Why?

18. What was the final order of the king to the executioners?

19. How did the executioners mistake the king and his minister for the guru and his disciple?

20. Why were the people of the kingdom confused when they saw the dead bodies of the king and his minister?

21. Who became the king and the minister of the kingdom in the end? Why?

22. On what condition did the guru and his disciple agree to rule that kingdom?

23. Fools cannot continue with their follies for long. How can you justify this statement in relation to the story?

24. The people of the Kingdom of Fools were not so foolish after all. They made the Guru as their kings. Comment.

25. Arguing with a fool proves there are two. How does the wise guru find a way out without arguing with the king?

26. Decisions should be made with a cool and rational mind. Discuss with reference to the story "In the Kingdom of Fools".

Or

Hasty decisions are often wrong decisions. Discuss with reference to the story "In the Kingdom of Fools".