

## Chanakya and Rakshasa

### Comprehension I:

**Question 1:**

Who was Chandan Das? What kind of a man was he?

**Answer:**

Chandan Das was a dear friend of Minister Rakshasa. He was a loyal and trustworthy man who would not reveal Rakshasa's hiding place, even if his own life was in danger.

**Question 2:**

What was the great task that Chanakya did?

**Answer:**

The great task that Chanakya accomplished was helping Chandragupta become the king of Magadha by overthrowing the Nanda dynasty.

**Question 3:**

Why did Chanakya want to win over Rakshasa?

**Answer:**

Chanakya wanted to win over Rakshasa because he was a wise and able minister. Chanakya knew that the kingdom of Magadha would be safe and prosperous under Rakshasa's administration.

**Question 4:**

What plan did Chanakya hit upon to find out Rakshasa?

**Answer:**

Chanakya devised a clever plan by imprisoning Chandan Das and announcing that Chandan Das would be executed if Rakshasa did not return within a fortnight. This news spread across the kingdom, forcing Rakshasa to come out of hiding to save his friend.

**Question 5:**

What happened when the order was read out?

**Answer:**

When the order to cut off Chandan Das's head was read out, the crowd waited in silence. At the last moment, Rakshasa rushed in, pleading for Chandan Das's life to be spared.

**Question 6:**

How was Chandan Das treated in the end?

**Answer:**

In the end, Chandan Das was treated with great respect. Chanakya rewarded him with rich presents and sent him home safely.

**Comprehension II:****Question 1:**

How did Chanakya succeed in securing the service of Rakshasa?

**Answer:**

Chanakya succeeded in securing the service of Rakshasa through his clever and strategic plan. By imprisoning Chandan Das and threatening his execution, he compelled Rakshasa to come out of hiding. Out of loyalty to his friend, Rakshasa surrendered himself. Chanakya then honoured Rakshasa and convinced him to become the minister of Magadha, ensuring the kingdom's stability.

**Comprehension III:****Question 1.**

“here I am”!

- a. Who said this?
- b. Who was it said to?
- c. When was it said?

**Answer:**

a. Who said this?

**Answer:**

Minister Rakshasa said this.

b. Who was it said to?

**Answer:**

It was said to the crowd and the officials present at the marketplace, including Chanakya.

c. When was it said?

**Answer:**

It was said when Chandan Das was about to be executed, just before the order to cut off his head was carried out.

**Question 2.**

Oh, it is Minister Rakshasa”!

a. Who said this?

b. When was it said?

c. Where was it said?

d. What was the emotion expressed ?

**Answer:**

a. Who said this?

**Answer:**

The people in the crowd said this.

b. When was it said?

**Answer:**

It was said when Rakshasa appeared in the marketplace to save Chandan Das from execution.

c. Where was it said?

**Answer:**

It was said in the marketplace where Chandan Das was about to be executed.

d. What was the emotion expressed?

**Answer:** The emotion expressed was **joy and relief** because Rakshasa’s arrival saved Chandan Das’s life.

## II. Vocabulary work :

Study the following example.

The word postman brings to your mind ....

letter, postcard, envelop, paper, stamp, post office, mail, mail van, slot, bag, sack, bundle, letterbox, bell, gate, house, round duty, uniform, regular, deliver, collect, see a l.....etc;

**Sit in a group and look at the following words and list out the related words that come to your mind.**

a. A Village b. Christmas, c. A rainy day d. Red e. Our school

### **Related Words List:**

#### **a) A Village:**

Fields, farmers, huts, cattle, trees, pond, narrow roads, temple, crops, bullock cart, mud houses, fresh air, well, birds, village market, simple life, greenery, peaceful.

#### **b) Christmas:**

Santa Claus, gifts, Christmas tree, snow, carols, stars, lights, reindeer, bells, stockings, mistletoe, candy canes, joy, celebration, red and green, nativity scene, holiday.

#### **c) A Rainy Day:**

Umbrella, raincoat, puddles, wet roads, clouds, thunder, lightning, rainbow, cool breeze, wet shoes, dripping leaves, mud, splashing water, dark sky, drizzle, monsoon.

#### **d) Red:**

Rose, blood, apple, fire, tomato, stop sign, lipstick, danger, love, heart, passion, sunset, brick, chili, ruby, strawberry, flag.

#### **e) Our School:**

Classrooms, teachers, students, blackboard, desks, playground, library, books, assembly, uniforms, bell, principal, exams, homework, friends, learning, timetable.

B. Study the following example. Example:- homeless, hopeless, heartless... Make a list of more such words ending with 'less'.

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Answer:

**Words Ending with 'less':**

1. Careless
2. Useless
3. Fearless
4. Helpless
5. Restless
6. Thoughtless
7. Sleepless
8. Reckless
9. Friendless
10. Iceless

**A. Rearrange these sentences in the correct sequence of events**

(do it in pairs).

- a. He took the parrots to the garden to release them.
- b. The mother parrot greeted them.
- c. Grandfather found a baby parrot.
- d. The parrot loved the fruits.
- e. The parrot settled down inside the house.
- f. The next day he found another baby parrot.
- g. The mother parrot led the babies under the tree.
- h. He fed it fruits and nuts.
- i. The mother parrot brought the parrots back.

Answer: one is done for you.

**Answer:**

Correct Sequence of Events:

**C** – Grandfather found a baby parrot.

- F** – The next day he found another baby parrot.  
**H** – He fed it fruits and nuts.  
**D** – The parrot loved the fruits.  
**E** – The parrot settled down inside the house.  
**A** – He took the parrots to the garden to release them.  
**B** – The mother parrot greeted them.  
**G** – The mother parrot led the babies under the tree.  
**I** – The mother parrot brought the parrots back.

### III. Language Activity:

Noun:

- A. Look at these examples (the underlined words)
- Hari lives in Bangalore, (proper Noun)
  - Raju wants to consult a doctor, (common noun)
  - Indian army is highly professional, (collective noun)
  - Wisdom is better than strength (abstract noun)
- [Observe that the underlined words are different kinds of nouns.]

**Answer:**

**Examples with Noun Types:**

- a.** Hari lives in Bangalore. → (Proper Nouns)

**Answer:**

Hari and Bangalore are specific names of a person and a place, making them proper nouns.

- b.** Raju wants to consult a doctor. → (Proper Noun, Common Noun)

**Answer:**

Raju is a proper noun (specific name), while doctor is a common noun (general profession).

- c.** The Indian army is highly professional. → (Collective Noun)

**Answer:**

Army refers to a group of soldiers, making it a collective noun.

- d.** Wisdom is better than strength. → (Abstract Nouns)

**Answer:**

Wisdom and strength represent qualities or concepts, making them abstract nouns.

**Classify the following words and write them in the columns given below. ( do it in your group)**

A team, Hubli, a nurse, Mohan, a film, bravery, Fathima, Bengal, teacher. Minister, flock, boy, king, school, mountain, Magadha, judgment, crowd, kalidasa, herd, family, country, childhood, poverty, youth, darkness, Ganga, river, Govinda, Lakshmi, girl, tree, animal.

**Answer:**

Classification of Nouns:

<b>Proper Nouns</b>	<b>Common Nouns</b>	<b>Collective Nouns</b>	<b>Abstract Nouns</b>
Hubli	nurse	team	bravery
Mohan	film	flock	judgment
Fathima	teacher	crowd	childhood
Bengal	minister	herd	poverty
Magadha	boy	family	youth
Kalidasa	king		darkness
Ganga	school		
Govinda	mountain		
Lakshmi	river		
	girl		
	tree		
	animal		

**B. Pick out the nouns from this story. Abstract nouns**

A man went to a chemist's shop and said, 'I want some thing for a severe headache'.

The Chemist took a bottle from a shelf, held it under the man's nose and opened it. The smell was so strong that tears came out of the man's eyes and ran down his cheeks.

What did you do that for ? He said angrily.

'But that medicine has cured your headache hasn't it? Said the chemist.

"You fool" said the man. 'It's my wife who has the headache, not me!'

**Answer:**

**Nouns from the Story:**

1. Man
2. Chemist's shop
3. Headache
4. Chemist
5. Bottle
6. Shelf
7. Nose
8. Smell
9. Tears
10. Eyes
11. Cheeks
12. Medicine
13. Wife

**C. Study the following examples and observe the different ways of forming plurals.**

- a. A soldier is a brave man. — Soldiers are brave men.
- b. The leaf fell from the tree. — The leaves fell from the tree.
- c. The lady lost the key — The ladies lost the keys.
- d. The Negro rode on a pony. — The Negroes rode on ponies.
- e. The woman sat on the bench— The women sat on the benches.

**Answer:**

Study of Plural Forms:

1. Soldier → Soldiers

A soldier is a brave man. → Soldiers are brave men.

(Forming plural by adding -s to the noun.)

2. Leaf → Leaves

The leaf fell from the tree. → The leaves fell from the tree.

(Forming plural by changing -f to -ves.)

3. Lady → Ladies



The lady lost the key. → The ladies lost the keys.

(Forming plural by changing -y to -ies.)

4. Negro → Negroes

The Negro rode on a pony. → The Negroes rode on ponies.

(Forming plural by adding -es.)

5. Woman → Women

The woman sat on the bench. → The women sat on the benches.

(Irregular plural form: woman changes to women.)

### **Summary of Plural Forms:**

- Regular plural: Add -s (soldier → soldiers)
- Change -f to -ves (leaf → leaves)
- Change -y to -ies (lady → ladies)
- Add -es (Negro → Negroes)
- Irregular plural: (woman → women)

### **D. Sit in the group and change the following sentences from singular**

a. The nurse carried a baby.

b. The thief stole a knife.

c. The potato is a vegetable.

d. The ox pulled the cart.

e. The child had a bad tooth.

### **Answer:**

### **Changing Sentences from Singular to Plural:**

a. The nurse carried a baby.

→ The nurses carried babies.

b. The thief stole a knife.

→ The thieves stole knives.

c. The potato is a vegetable.

→ The potatoes are vegetables.

d. The ox pulled the cart.

→ The oxen pulled the carts.

e. The child had a bad tooth.

→ The children had bad teeth.

#### **IV. Listen to the passage carefully and answer the following.**

One day Hema plucked a mango and brought it home. Her grandmother gave the larger piece to Raju because he was a boy. Hema protested. After all she brought the mango and she was the elder of the two. She insisted that she had the right over greater share. Her father came to her help and divided the mango equally.

- a. Who brought the mango home?
- b. Why did Hema's grandmother give a larger piece to Raju?
- c. Why did Hema protest?
- d. Who came to help Hema?
- e. Who do you think should have got the larger piece?

#### **Answers:**

- a. Who brought the mango home?

#### **Answer:**

Hema brought the mango home.

- b. Why did Hema's grandmother give a larger piece to Raju?

#### **Answer:**

Hema's grandmother gave a larger piece to Raju because he was a boy.

- c. Why did Hema protest?

#### **Answer:**

Hema protested because she brought the mango and was the elder of the two, so she believed she had the right to the greater share.

- d. Who came to help Hema?

#### **Answer:**

Hema's father came to her help.

- e. Who do you think should have got the larger piece?

#### **Answer:**

Both Hema and Raju should have gotten equal pieces, as Hema brought the mango and was the elder, making it fair for both of them to receive an equal share.

## **V. Communication:**

**A. Interview your Doctor and get the responses for the following questions.**

- a. Why did you become a doctor?
- b. Where is your hospital?
- c. How do you go to the hospital?
- d. Is it a government hospital?
- e. Do you charge for treatment?

**Answer:**

### **Interview with Doctor:**

#### **Question 1.**

Why did you become a doctor?

**Answer**

**Doctor:** I became a doctor because I have always had a passion for helping people and making a difference in their lives. The medical field offers a unique opportunity to improve people's health and well-being, and I wanted to be part of that.

#### **Question 2.**

Where is your hospital?

**Answer**

**Doctor:** My hospital is located in the heart of the city, on [Street Name/Area], near [landmark].

#### **Question 3.**

How do you go to the hospital?

**Answer**

**Doctor:** I usually drive to the hospital in my car. It's not too far from my home, so it's quite convenient.

#### **Question 4.**

Is it a government hospital?

**Doctor:** No, it is a private hospital. We offer a wide range of

services, and our aim is to provide high-quality care in a comfortable environment.

### **Question 5.**

Do you charge for treatment?

### **Answer**

**Doctor:** Yes, we do charge for treatment. The charges vary depending on the type of treatment or consultation. However, we strive to make healthcare affordable for everyone.

## **"Chanakya and Rakshasa": Summary**



The story is about Chandragupta, who became the king of Magadha with the help of a very clever man named Chanakya. Chanakya had almost completed his task of placing Chandragupta on the throne. The only thing left for him to do was to find a wise and able minister to help Chandragupta rule the kingdom.

Chanakya chose Rakshasa, the great minister of the Nanda kingdom, for this position. However, Rakshasa was an enemy of Chandragupta, so Chanakya had to win him over. Chanakya

knew that the kingdom would be safe if Rakshasa became the minister.

Rakshasa was in hiding, and only his dear friend Chandan Das knew his whereabouts. Chandan Das was known for not revealing secrets for anything in the world.

Chanakya came up with a plan to find Rakshasa. He imprisoned Chandan Das and announced throughout the kingdom that if Rakshasa did not return within a fortnight, Chandan Das would be killed. The news of this spread quickly.

A fortnight passed, and there was no sign of Rakshasa. The next day, Chandan Das was taken to the marketplace to be executed. As the order to cut off his head was read out, the crowd waited in silence.

At that moment, a man came rushing and crying, "Stop! Stop! I am Rakshasa, whom you seek. For God's sake, spare Chandan Das." The people rejoiced, and Chanakya received Rakshasa with great honour. Chanakya made him agree to be the Minister of Magadha and offered rich presents to Chandan Das before sending him home.