



MODEL QUESTION 16

Unit: 9, lesson: 3

Read the following passage and answer the questions following it:

Have you ever thought of a very delicate career? Have you dreamt of a rosy environment full of colour and fragrance? How much would you love it if you were placed in a house full of flowers to deal all day? I'm just going to give you some clues for a way of business, a job. Yes. Daises, violets, tulips, marigolds, dahlias, bellies, jasmines, roses and all those things of beauty can also earn you a living if you handle them professionally. In fact, a florist's career is rather a good choice as an unconventional job for many around the world. Wherever you see eye-catching floral displays, you actually see the professional performance of a floral designer. They are also known as florists and they create superb arrangements with flowers. Using both real and artificial flowers with other greeneries, florists prepare flower displays for a variety of events such as weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, marriage days, Valentine's Day, official receptions and even funerals. Every flower is with its distinct colour, design, significance and meaning which flower designers have to know well. There are conventions and significance associated with flowers. We know that conventionally roses are meant for romance and anniversaries and tulips for birthdays. Although formal education or a diploma is not always essential, florists must have a good taste, good eye for colours, shapes and proportion. They have to have good sense for selecting flowers, ribbons and other accessories to make beautiful arrangements. Professional florists are knowledgeable about not only flowers but also designs and techniques. Most florists learn the trade mainly through apprenticeship in a previous flower farming job and also by attending formal floral schools and courses. However, a true passion for flowers and a bit of aesthetic sense are all that can make a florist's career successful. Flower designers earn fairly handsome money. But the bonus is that they belong to a fresh fun job. They work in flowers all day long in a nice atmosphere with fresh air, pleasant smells and vivid colours around. But there is a disadvantage too, if you are inclined to see so. Florists deal with flowers, but miss their honey!

1. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives.

1x7=7

- a) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **rosy** used in the passage?
i. livid ii. florid iii. pale iv. ashy
- b) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **handle** used in the passage?
i. humanity ii. certain iii. hurdle iv. manage
- c) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **fragrance** used in the passage?
i. fetor ii. stench iii. aroma iv. reek
- d) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **clue** used in the passage?
i. hint ii. care iii. confliction iv. oblivion
- e) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **unconventional** used in the passage?

- i. imperious ii. conformist iii. heterodox iv. orthodox
- f) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **floral** used in the passage?
- i. flowery ii. flame iii. gigantic iv. smell
- g) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **superb** used in the passage?
- i. rotten ii. poor iii. atrocious iv. awesome
- h) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **funerals** used in the passage?
- i. a ceremony of dead person buried ii. a ceremony of birth day
iii. a ceremony of enjoying new year iv. a ceremony of farewell
- i) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **distinct** used in the passage?
- i. parallel ii. similar iii. alike iv. distinguishable
- j) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **significance** used in the passage?
- i. valueless ii. smallness iii. slightness iv. import
- k) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **conventions** used in the passage?
- i. cooperation ii. convocation iii. co-relation iv. co-incidence
- l) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **formal** used in the passage?
- i. ceremonial ii. indirect iii. unconventional iv. Recreation
- m) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **proportion** used in the passage?
- i. zest ii. adjust iii. allot iv. violence
- n) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **ribbons** used in the passage?
- i. rip ii. revel iii. rebellion iv. Recreation
- o) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **apprenticeship** used in the passage?
- i. vet ii. coadjutor iii. veteran iv. old-timer
- p) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **aesthetic** used in the passage?
- i. attractive ii. hideous iii. unpretty iv. ugly
- q) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **vivid** used in the passage?
- i. foggy ii. hazy iii. vogue iv. pictorial
- r) Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word **inclined** used in the passage?
- i. unnamable ii. willing iii. decline iv. injury
- s) The word “**floral**” is a/an _____



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- i) noun ii) adjective iii) adverb iv) verb

t) Which statement is correct?

- (i) Good taste is essential to be successful in floral carrier
- (ii) Passion is essential to be successful in floral carrier
- (iii) Aesthetic sense is essential to be successful in floral carrier
- (iv) Good eye for colours is essential to be successful in floral carrier

u) In the passage **Roses** are meant for _____

- (i) color (ii) romance (iii) to celebrate new year (iv) romance and anniversaries

2. Answer the following questions.

2x5=10

- a. How is the career of a florist?
- b. What qualities do you need to have for a florist's job?
- c. How does most florists learn the trade?
- d. What is the extra advantage of a florist's job?
- e. What do you mean by florist?

Pritilata was born in Chittagong on 5 May 1911. She was a meritorious student at Dr Khastagir Government Girls' School in Chittagong and Eden College, Dhaka. She finally graduated in philosophy with distinction from Bathune College in Kolkata. In her college days, Pritilata was an activist in the anti-British movement. All through her life, she dreamt of two things: a society without gender discrimination, and her motherland without British colonial rule. So she received combat training to fight against the British rule. Soon after, Pritilata became the head teacher of Nandankanon Aparna Charan School in Chittagong. Gradually she involved herself in Surya Sen's armed resistance movement. Surya Sen was a famous anti-British movement organizer and activist in Chittagong area that time. In 1932, Surya Sen planned an attack on the Pahartali European Club. The club was well-known for its notorious sign Dogs and Indians not allowed. Surya Sen assigned Pritilata to lead a team of 10-12 men to attack the Club. The raid was successful but Pritilata dressed as a man failed to get out of the Club. She committed suicide by taking potassium cyanide to avoid arrest. She proved that women can work like men. She also proved that women too needed to be prepared to sacrifice their lives for the freedom from the British colonial rule. Her dream came true. The British rule came to an end though she couldn't see it during her lifetime.

3. From your reading of the above passage, fill in the blank with suitable word.

1 × 5 = 5

Pritilata was born in Chittagong in 1911. She was a heroic lady who (a)_____ her life in order to fight against in British colonial rule in India. She got (b)_____ in secret anti-British movement. She joined with Surya Sen who was a famous anti-British movement (c)_____. According to a plan Pritilata was assigned to lead a team of 10-12 members to (d)_____ a club. The attack was successful but she was not able to come out of the club. In order to (e)_____ arrest she committed suicide by taking cyanide.

