

The Talkative Barber

1. How many brothers did the Barber have?

Solution:

The barber had six brothers.

2. Why was the Sultan in a hurry?

Solution:

Sultan invited some of his friends to a feast at noon. Hence, he was in a hurry to leave.

3. Why did the barber take so long to shave the Sultan?

Solution:

The barber was busy talking all the time. Therefore, he took so long to shave the Sultan.

4. Write True or False.

(i) The Barber was shaving the Sultan's beard. _____

(ii) The Sultan gave him three gold coins. _____

(iii) The Barber refused to leave the Sultan's palace. _____

(iv) There were seven brothers altogether in the Sultan's family. _____

Solution:

(i) False

(ii) True

(iii) True

(iv) False

5. Why did the Barber want a lot of food?

Solution:

The Barber had invited four or five friends for a meal at his house but had forgotten about the preparations to be made. Hence, he wanted a lot of food.

6. Did the Sultan enjoy the Barber's talk? Why do you say so?

Solution:

No, the Sultan didn't enjoy the Barber's talk because he was ready to give all the food prepared for him in order to get rid of the Barber.

7. Which part of the story did you find the funniest?

Solution:

The funniest part of the story was when the Barber started to examine the dishes leaving behind the Sultan's head half shaved.

8. What are the things the Sultan gave to the Barber?

Solution:

Three pieces of gold, all the food prepared for him and the fruits are the things Sultan gave to the Barber.

9. Do you think the Sultan was really very generous? Why do you say so?

Solution:

I am not sure whether the Sultan was really very generous because according to me he showed his generosity to get his head fully shaved.

10. Study the words in the first column and see the changes in them in the second column. The words in Column II are the opposites of the words in Column I.

I	II
important	unimportant
patient	impatient
pleasure	displeasure

Now write the opposites of the following using un-, im-, dis-.

- (i) believe _____
- (ii) shaved _____
- (iii) perfect _____
- (iv) satisfy _____
- (v) polite _____
- (vi) respect _____
- (vii) pure _____
- (viii) expected _____
- (ix) obedient _____

Solution:

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|-----------------|-------------|
| (i) believe | disbelieve |
| (ii) shaved | unshaved |
| (iii) perfect | imperfect |
| (iv) satisfy | dissatisfy |
| (v) polite | impolite |
| (vi) respect | disrespect |
| (vii) pure | impure |
| (viii) expected | unexpected |
| (ix) obedient | disobedient |

11. Fill in the blanks by adding un-, im- or dis- to the words given in the box.

tidy	patient	kind	like
able	appear	possible	

- (i) The teacher got upset with Rani because her work was _____.
- (ii) The dog was _____ to climb the tree to chase the cat.
- (iii) I _____ hot milk, I like it cold.
- (iv) It is _____ to cross the road during peak traffic hours.
- (v) The magician waved his magic wand and made the rabbit _____.
- (vi) The passengers became _____ when the train was late again.
- (vii) It is very _____ to make fun of another person's weaknesses.

Solution:

- (i) The teacher got upset with Rani because her work was **untidy**.
- (ii) The dog was **unable** to climb the tree to chase the cat.
- (iii) I **dislike** hot milk, I like it cold.
- (iv) It is **impossible** to cross the road during peak traffic hours.
- (v) The magician waved his magic wand and made the rabbit **disappear**.

- (vi) The passengers became **impatient** when the train was late again.
(vii) It is very **unkind** to make fun of another person's weaknesses.

12. Notice the highlighted words in the sentence given below.

You ordered me to come, so I will not quit your house till I have shaved you.

While he was shaving me, he could not stop talking.

Now use the joining words given in the box to fill in the blanks.

if	or	till	where	unless	so	while
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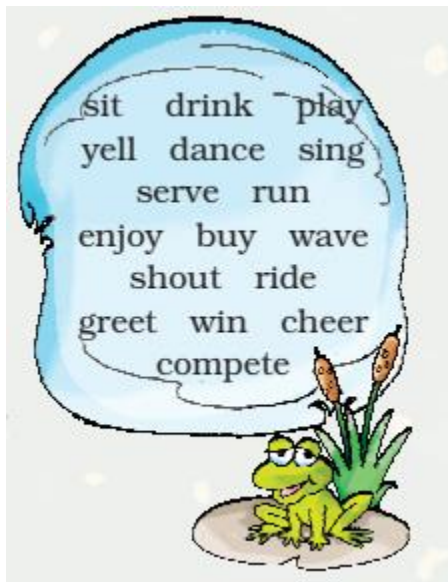
- (i) Please wait with me _____ the bus arrives.
(ii) Do you like football _____ cricket?
(iii) My father packed my lunch _____ my mother combed my hair.
(iv) We will reach on time _____ we go by the car.
(v) Your speech cannot be heard by the audience _____ you use a powerful mike.
(vi) It was a beautiful day _____ they decided to go for a picnic.
(vii) We went to the zoo _____ we saw many animals.

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- (i) Please wait with me **till** the bus arrives.
(ii) Do you like football **or** cricket?
(iii) My father packed my lunch **while** my mother combed my hair.
(iv) We will reach on time **if** we go by the car.
(v) Your speech cannot be heard by the audience **unless** you use a powerful mike.
(vi) It was a beautiful day **so** they decided to go for a picnic.
(vii) We went to the zoo **where** we saw many animals.

13. Look at the words in the bubbles. Write what you do when you are at a

- (i) feast? _____
(ii) race? _____
(iii) cricket match? _____
(iv) cinema? _____
(v) fair? _____
(vi) party? _____



- (i) drink, enjoy, serve
- (ii) run, cheer, compete.
- (iii) play, win, cheer.
- (iv) sit, enjoy.
- (v) buy, shout, ride.
- (vi) dance, sing, greet, play.

14. How does your father/uncle shave his face every day?

He lathers his face with shaving cream, then he uses his razor. He runs it over his face, in even strokes. After this, he washes his face and wipes it to get rid of the lather.

Now describe two of the following processes.

- (i) How to send a letter/e-mail.**
- (ii) How to make a salad.**
- (iii) How to prepare a garden bed to grow flowers.**
- (iv) How to paint a mural or a wall picture.**

Solution:

(ii) Take carrot, radish and cucumber. Wash them thoroughly under running water. Now, cut the vegetables into thin slices. Add salt and lemon juice in it. Finally add the dry fruits for more deliciousness. Make sure not to add too much as they contain sugar. Now, the salad is ready to be served.

(iii) Garden beds need a suitable place. First find out the place for the garden bed. In order to break up and loosen the soil, dig the place thoroughly. Mix compost in the soil to make it more nutrient rich. Level the soil and sow the seeds, then cover the bed with fine soil. After a few days, small plants can be observed in your garden.