

READING COMPREHENSIONS_6

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it.

“Uncle” said Luke to the old Sean, “You seem to be well fed, though I know no one looks after you. Nor have I seen you leave your residence at any time. Tell me how do you manage it?”

“Because” Sean replied, “I have a good feed every night at the emperor’s orchard. After dark, I go there myself and pick out enough fruits to last a fortnight.”

Luke proposed to accompany his uncle to the orchard. Though **reluctant** because of Luke’s habit of euphoric exhibition of **extreme** excitement, Sean agreed to take him along

At the orchard while Sean hurriedly collected the fruits and left, Luke on the other hand at the sight of unlimited supply of fruits was excited and lifted his voice which brought emperor’s men immediately to his side. They seized him and mistook him as the sole cause of damage to the orchard. Although Luke **reiterated** that he was a bird of passage, they **pounded** him **mercilessly** before setting him free.

49. How did old Sean manage to meet his food requirements?

- a) By buying food from the market
- b) His nephew Luke took care of his requirements
- c) Luke brought fruits from the emperor’s orchard for Sean
- d) He picked up fruits from the emperor’s orchard
- e) The emperor provided him with ample supply of fruits

50. Which of the following is not true in the context of the passage?

- a) Sean was a poor and suffering man
- b) Luke came to know about the orchard from his uncle
- c) Sean initially hesitated to take his nephew along
- d) Luke as finally set free

e) Both Sean and Luke collected fruits from Emperor's orchard

51. Why was Sean reluctant to take Luke along?

a) Because he was a selfish man

b) He feared that Luke's reaction may alert the Emperor's men

c) Because Luke could harm him

d) He wanted to bring fruits for Luke himself

e) He knew Luke was a greedy person

52. How often did Sean visit the emperor's orchard?

a) Daily

b) Once a month

c) In a period of two weeks

d) Never, his nephew Luke brought fruits for him

e) Everyday during midnight

53. Luke remitted behind at the orchard because he

a) Was greedy and wanted to collect more fruits

b) Waited for the Emperor's men to arrest him

c) Lost his composure and started expressing his feelings loudly

d) Had waited for his uncle to return

e) Could not move in the dark

Directions (Q. 54-56) Choose the word/phrase which is most nearly the same in meaning of the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

54. Reiterated

a) Pleaded

b) Regurgitated

c) Protested

d) Repeated

e) Recapitulated

55. Extreme

a) End

b) High

c) Severe

d) Serious

e) Moderate

56. Reluctant

a) Disinclined

b) Opposed

c) Against

d) Resistant

e) None of these

Directions (Q. 57-58) Choose the word which is most opposite in meaning of the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

57. Pounded

a) Weighed

b) Released

c) Paid

d) Attended

e) Caressed

58. Mercilessly

a) Calmly

b) Compassionately

c) Mildly

d) Forgivably

e) Sympathetically

49. Option C

50. Option A

51. Option B

52. Option E

53. Option C

54. Option D

55. Option B

56. Option A

57. Option E

58. Option E