Unseen Passage for Class 4 with Answers

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A. Passage 1 (a story)

Read the story and answer the questions.

The Lost Puppy

1 One rainy evening, Kabir was walking home from his tuition class when he heard a soft crying sound. Under a parked scooter sat a tiny brown puppy, wet and shivering. It had a red collar around its neck.

2 Kabir wrapped the puppy in his jacket and carried it home. His mother gave it warm milk, and his little sister dried it with an old towel. Soon the puppy stopped shivering and wagged its tail.

3 "It has a collar, so it must belong to someone," said Kabir's mother. Kabir looked closely and found a small tag with a phone number. He called the number at once. A worried girl named Simran answered. She had been searching for her puppy, Coco, all evening.

4 Half an hour later, Simran and her father came to Kabir's house. When Coco saw Simran, it jumped into her arms. Simran thanked Kabir again and again. Kabir felt proud and happy that he had helped.

1. What was the weather like that evening? (a) sunny (b) rainy (c) foggy
2. Where was Kabir coming from?

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3. Where did Kabir find the puppy?

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4. Describe the puppy when Kabir found it.

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5. How did Kabir's mother and sister help the puppy?

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6. True or false: The puppy had no collar.
7. How did Kabir find the owner?

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8. What was the puppy's name?

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9. Find a word in paragraph 1 that means "shaking because of cold".

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10. Find a word in paragraph 3 that is the opposite of "relaxed".

11. How did Kabir feel at the end, and why?

B. Passage 2 (facts)

Read the passage and answer the questions.

The Banyan Tree

1 The banyan is the national tree of India. It is a huge tree with thick branches that spread out very wide. Many villages have a banyan tree at their centre, where people sit in its cool shade and talk.

2 The banyan tree has a special kind of root. Thin roots grow down from its branches and hang in the air. When they reach the ground, they grow thick and strong, like new trunks. These roots hold up the heavy branches. Because of them, one old banyan tree can spread so wide that it looks like a small forest.

3 The banyan gives food and shelter to many creatures. Birds, bats and monkeys eat its small red fruits, which are a kind of fig. Birds build nests in its branches. The banyan can live for hundreds of years, so it is a symbol of a long life.

1. Which is the national tree of India?

2. Why do people in villages sit under the banyan tree?

3. Where do the special roots of the banyan grow from? (a) the leaves (b) the branches (c) the fruits
4. What happens when these roots reach the ground?

5. How do these roots help the tree?

6. True or false: A banyan tree can look like a small forest.
7. Name three creatures that eat the fruits of the banyan.

8. Fill in the blank: The fruits of the banyan are a kind of _____.
9. Why is the banyan a symbol of a long life?

10. Find a word in paragraph 1 that means "very big".

11. Find a word in paragraph 3 that means "a safe place to live or stay".

Answer Key

A. Passage 1 (a story)

1. (b) rainy
2. He was coming home from his tuition class.
3. He found it under a parked scooter.
4. It was a tiny brown puppy, wet and shivering, with a red collar.
5. His mother gave it warm milk, and his sister dried it with an old towel.
6. False. It had a red collar around its neck.
7. He found a tag with a phone number on the collar and called the number.
8. The puppy's name was Coco.
9. shivering
10. worried
11. He felt proud and happy because he had helped the puppy go back to its owner.

B. Passage 2 (facts)

1. The banyan is the national tree of India.
2. They sit in its cool shade and talk.
3. (b) the branches
4. They grow thick and strong, like new trunks.
5. They hold up the heavy branches.
6. True
7. Birds, bats and monkeys eat its fruits.
8. fig
9. Because it can live for hundreds of years.
10. huge
11. shelter

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