

Grandma Climbs A Tree

Multiple choice questions

- 1). The Grandma was called genius because
A. she could climb trees very quickly B. spent her old age gracefully
C. she loved trees D. she lived on trees
- 2). The grandma was happier in
A. town B. village C. trees D. field
- 2). The grandma in her bed felt like a
A. heaven B. joyful place C. comfortable place D. a hell
3. All that grandma wanted was
A. A house on the tree top B. good house C. a simple house D. natural living
4. The responsibility of building a house on tree top was taken up by-
A. the poet B. poet's father C. her neighbors D. loving relatives
5. Building a house on tree top was assisted by
A. neighbors B. her relatives C. her husband D. the poet
6. The neighbors told the Grandma stop climbing trees because they wanted to_
A. stop her B. spend her old age gracefully C. give her rest D. test her
- 7) The grandma was taught climbing trees from her
A. loving brother B. loving mother C. loving son D. loving husband
- 8) When grandma climbed a tree for the last time she was
A. six B. hundred C. sixty two D. eighty
- 9) When the doctor took Granny's temperature ,he suggested her_
A. not to climb trees B. live gracefully C. a quiet week in bed D. healthy food habits
- 10) When the doctor suggested granny a quiet week in bed, the family members felt _.
A. sighed with relief B. angry with the granny C. rejoiced D. unhappy
- 11) 'My dad knew his duties'. His duty was _____.
A. take care of his mother
- 12) Finally the granny upheld her right to _____.
A. residing in a tree B. drink sherry C. live as she wished D. spend her old age graceful
- 16) "It was like a brief season in the hell" The figure of speech employed here is_
A. personification B. metaphor C. simile D. synecdoche

Answer the following questions in two or three sentences (2 marks)

1) The poet Ruskin Bond does not call his grandmother 'childish'. What else was she according to him? Why does he consider her to be so? or What is the uncommon quality of the grandmother? How does the term this uncommon quality?

Ans: The poet Ruskin Bond calls his grandma a 'genius' because she could climb trees very quickly. It may be a spreading tree or tall tree she could climb up quickly even at the age of sixty-two.

2) How do you say that grandma had been in the habit of climbing trees for a very long period? Justify this quoting the lines from the poem.

Ans: Yes, The grandma had been the habit of climbing trees for a long time. She learnt climbing the from her loving brother when she was six. Having learned to climb from a loving brother when she was six.

3) What did the neighbor's advise the Grandma? How did she respond them?

Ans: The neighbors advised that the grandma should stop climbing the trees as she was growing old. They suggested that old people should spend their old age gracefully. But the grandma did not listen to their advice. She would laugh say that "I'll grow disgracefully. I can do it better".

4) Others feared that granny would fall from a tree one day or the other. Did this happen? Or did something else happen?

Ans: Yes, others feared that granny would fall from a tree one day or the other. It did not happen. One day something different happened. When the poet and his family were in the town, she climbed up a tree but could not come down. She was suffering from fever. The doctor checked her temperature and suggested her bed rest for a week.

5) What did the doctor recommend Grandma? What was the reaction of the kids to this advice?

Ans: The doctor checked granny's temperature and recommended her bed rest for a week. The kids sighed with a relief that she would not climb up trees and risk her life.

6) 'My dad knew his duties'. What did he think his duty was?

Ans: 'My dad' (the poet's father /granny's son) knew his duties. He thought his duty was to fulfill his mother's wish. He built a house on the tree top for his mother with the help from the poet.

7) Both the poet and his father were considerate towards Grandma. Substantiate the statement.

Ans : The poet and his father were considerate towards grandma. They built a house on a tree-top with windows and a door. My dad knew his duties. He said, That's all right-

8. How did Grandma feel while she lays in bed?

Ans.: Grandma felt miserable as she lay in bed. She loved to look at the dancing leaves. For her, it was like a brief season in hell.

Extracts (3 marks)

1) "Ever since childhood, she'd had this gift For being happier than in a lift;"

a) Who does 'she' refer to ?

Ans : She refers to Granny

b) What was the gift she had?

Ans: Climbing the tree was the gift she had.

c) Where was she happier?

Ans: She was happier in a tree than in city life.

2) She would laugh and say, 'Well I'll grow disgracefully, I can do it better' and we had to agree;

A) Who said this to whom?

Ans: Granny said this to her neighbors.

B) What was disgraceful?

Ans- Climbing tree at the age of 62 was disgraceful

c) Why did she say so?

Ans: She had a passion of climbing tree and she would be happier on it

3) But it was feared by all that one day she'd have terrible fall. The outcome was different.

A) Who does all refer here?

Ans- Neighbors.

b. Why do they fear of her fall ?

Ans- she was 62 years old so she would fall.

c) What was the different outcome?

Ans- She climbed the tree successfully

4) The doctor took Granny's temperature and said, 'I strongly recommend a quiet week in bed'

A) Who had fever?

Ans: Granny had fever.

B) Why was she suggested rest for a week?

Ans: Because Granny had high fever.

c) What was the response from others?

Ans-The kids felt a sigh of relief that she would not climb up trees.

5) Poor Granny! For her, it was like a brief season in hell.

A) What was felt like a hell?

Ans: A week in bed was felt like a hell by Granny.

B) Why did she feel like hell?

Ans: Granny felt that bed rest was like a hell to her.

c) What was heaven to her?

Ans- She was happy in climbing trees. It was like a heaven to her.

6) My dad knew his duties. he said, that's all right. You'll have what you want, dear I'll start work tonight.

a) Who does 'my dad' refer to?

Ans: 'my dad' refers to the poet's father.

b) What did he consider his duty was? He considered his duty was to build a tree -house for his mother.

c) Whom does the word dear referred here?

Ans: The poet's Granny

7) She sits there in state and drinks sherry with me. Upholding her right to reside in a tree.

a) Who do 'she' and 'me' refer to?

ans: 'she' refers to Granny and 'me' refer to the poet Ruskin Bond.

B) -What was her state?

Ans: She was in a happy state.

c) What does it tell?

Ans : It tells she enjoyed being on the tree house

Answer in the paragraph

1. Write the summary of the poem Grandma climbs a tree.

The poem 'Grandma Climbs a Tree' is written by Ruskin Bond. He calls his grandmother as "genius" because she could climb a tree. Even at the age of 62, she was passionate to climb a tree and learn it from her loving brother at the age of six. Everybody feared that granny would fall from a tree one day.

One day she climbed a tree but could not come down. After the rescue the doctor recommended her rest for a week. But for granny it was like brief season in hell. She demanded a house to be built in a tree. The poets father who was dutiful, fulfill his mother's wish, so that granny moved up and enjoyed as her wish.