

COMPREHENSION NO.2

Read the passage and answer the following questions:

One day, King Akbar asked a question in his court that left everyone in the courtroom puzzled. As they all tried to figure out the answer, Birbal walked in and asked what the matter was. They repeated the question to him. The question was, "How many crows are there in the city?"

Birbal immediately smiled and went up to Akbar. He announced the answer; he said there were twenty-one thousand, five hundred and twenty-three crows in the city. When asked how he knew the answer, Birbal replied, "Ask your men to count the number of crows. If there are more, then the relatives of the crows must be visiting them from nearby cities. If there are fewer, then the crows from our city must be visiting their relatives who live outside the city." Pleased with the answer, Akbar presented Birbal with a ruby and pearl chain.

Having an explanation for your answer is just as important as having an answer.

1. What is the name of the king in the story?
 - a. Jehangir
 - b. Aurangzeb
 - c. Akbar
 - d. Babur

2. Which word in the passage means 'unable to understand'?
 - a. Courtroom
 - b. Puzzled
 - c. Figure
 - d. Repeated

3. Who stays in a courtroom?
 - a. Ministers
 - b. Queens
 - c. Servants
 - d. Musicians

4. Which bird was the king asking about?
 - a. Emu
 - b. Pigeon
 - c. Peacock
 - d. Crow

5. What was the number of the crows Birbal said?
 - a. 21,235
 - b. 21,325
 - c. 21,352
 - d. 21,523

6. What was Birbal's reply if there is less number of crows in the city?
 - a. The crows have died
 - b. The crows have gone to visit their relatives
 - c. The crows are hidden
 - d. The crows are killed and eaten

7. How did Birbal know the answer?
- a. He counted the number of crows
 - b. He gave a smart reply
 - c. He nervously guessed a number
 - d. None of these
8. What is the synonymous word of 'satisfied'?
- a. Pleased
 - b. Replied
 - c. Announced
 - d. Smiled
9. What did the king gift Birbal?
- a. Ruby and Emerald chain
 - b. Pearl and Ruby chain
 - c. Ruby and Gold chain
 - d. Ruby and Diamond chain
10. What is the moral of the story?
- a. Having an explanation is not so important
 - b. Having an explanation is equally important
 - c. Explanation isn't even required
 - d. None of these
