# **On the Grasshopper and Cricket**

Read the stanzas carefully and answer the questions that follow. Tick the correct alternative:

## (1)

The poetry of earth is ceasing never: On a lone winter evening when the frost Has wrought a silence, from the stone there shrills The cricket's song, in warmth, increasing ever, And seems to one in drowsiness half lost; The grasshopper's among some grassy hills.

Question 1. Name the poet of the poem 'The Grasshopper and the Cricket'. (a) John Keats (b) William Blake (c) T.S. Eliot (d) Rabindranath Tagore

## ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) John Keats

Question 2.

What happens to the grasshopper during the winter?

- (a) Feels sulky
- (b) Hides in grassy hills
- (c) Sings and gay
- (d) Behaves unpleasantly

## ▼ Answer

Answer: (b) Hides in grassy hills

Question 3. Who sings on a frosty winter day?

(a) Ant

- (b) Cricket
- (c) Grasshopper
- (d) Pigeon

▼ Answer

Answer: (b) Cricket

Question 4. Give meaning of 'drowsiness'. (a) dizziness (b) unconscious (c) sleepy (d) awake

## ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) sleepy

## (2)

The poetry of earth is never dead: When all the birds are faint with the hot sun. And hide in cooling trees, a voice will run From hedge to hedge about the new-mown mead, This is the grasshopper' she takes the lead In summer luxury—he has never done With his delights, for when tired out with fun He rests at ease beneath some pleasant weed.

Question 1. Name the poem. (a) The Ant and the Cricket

- (b) The Grasshopper and the Cricket
- (c) Geography Lesson
- (d) The last bargain

## ▼ Answer

Answer: (b) The Grasshopper and the Cricket

Question 2. Who symbolises the poetry of earth? (a) Grasshopper and cricket (b) Cricket (c) Grasshopper (d) Ant

## Answer

Answer: (a) Grasshopper and cricket

Question 3. How do the birds feel during extreme summer? (a) Faint (b) Pleasant (c) Gay

(d) None of these

## ▼ Answer

Answer: (a) Faint

Question 4.

Which voice runs from hedge to hedge?

(a) Ant's

- (b) Grasshopper's
- (c) Cricket's
- (d) Parrot's

▼ Answer

Answer: (c) Cricket's