

The Tsunami Class

Read the passages given below and answer the questions that follow by choosing the right alternative:

(1)

When the tremors stopped, they saw the sea rising. In the chaos and confusion, two of his children caught hold of the hands of their mother's father and mother's brother and rushed in the opposite direction. He never saw them again. His wife was also swept away only the three other children who come with him were saved.

Question 1.

Which incident is talked about here?

- (a) The earthquake
- (b) The Tsunami
- (c) The drought
- (d) The flood

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) The Tsunami

Question 2.

When did Tsunami hit South-India?

- (a) Dec. 26, 2004
- (b) Dec. 26, 2005
- (c) Dec. 25, 2004
- (d) Dec. 25, 2006

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) Dec. 26, 2004

Question 3.

Whose family is being described here?

- (a) Ignacious's
- (b) Tilly's
- (c) Alma's
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) Ignacious's

Question 4.

Who were killed in the incident?

- (a) His two children

- (b) Children's mother
- (c) Mother's brother
- (d) All of them

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) All of them

Question 5.

Who were saved?

- (a) All his children
- (b) Only Ignacious
- (c) His wife
- (d) Only Ignacious and his three children

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Answer: (d) Only Ignacious and his three children

(2)

Ignacious was manager of a cooperative society in Katchal. His wife woke him up at 6 a.m, because she felt an earthquake. Ignacious carefully took his television set off its table and put it down on the ground so that it would not fall and break. Then the family rushed out of the house.

Question 1.

Name the lesson.

- (a) The Last Bargain
- (b) The Tsunami
- (c) The Summit Within
- (d) The School Boy

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) The Tsunami

Question 2.

Who was Ignacious?

- (a) Manager of a co-operative society
- (b) Teacher
- (c) Officer
- (d) Philosopher

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) Manager of a co-operative society

Question 3.

Why did his wife wake him up?

- (a) Because she was going to somewhere
- (b) Because she was not feeling well
- (c) Because she felt an earthquake
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) Because she felt an earthquake

Question 4.

Why did he put the television down on the ground?

- (a) So that it would not fall
- (b) So that it would not break
- (c) So that they could take it out safely
- (d) So that it would not fall and break

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) So that it would not fall and break

Question 5.

What did he and his family do?

- (a) They stayed in the house
- (b) They began to cry
- (c) They all hugged together
- (d) They rushed out of the house

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Answer: (d) They rushed out of the house

(3)

(D) Almas's mother and aunts stood clinging to the leaves of a coconut tree, calling out to her. A wave uprooted the tree, and they too were washed away. Almas saw a log of wood floating. She climbed on to it. Then she fainted. When she woke up. She was in a hospital in Kamorta. From there she was brought to Port Blair. The little girl does not want to talk about the incident with anyone. She is still traumatised.

Question 1.

Which incident is being talked about?

- (a) The earthquake
- (b) The Tsunami
- (c) The draught
- (d) The flood

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) The Tsunami

Question 2.

Whose family is being described here?

- (a) Ignacious
- (b) Meghna's
- (c) Almas's
- (d) Tilly's

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) Almas's

Question 3.

Who were killed in the incident?

- (a) Alma
- (b) Almas's mother
- (c) Almas's aunts
- (d) Both her mother and aunts

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) Both her mother and aunts

Question 4.

How did Alma save her life?

- (a) By swimming.
- (b) By a boat
- (c) By climbing on a log of wood
- (d) With the help of army men

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) With the help of army men

Question 5.

In which hospital was she admitted?

- (a) A hospital in Kamorta
- (b) A hospital in Kambi
- (c) A hospital in Kerala
- (d) A hospital in Karnatka

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Answer: (a) A hospital in Kamorta

Tilly saw the sea slowly rise, and start to foam, bubble and form whirlpools. She remembered that she had seen this in class in a video of a Tsunami that had hit the Hawaiian Islands in 1946. Her geography teacher had shown her class the video, and told them that Tsunamis can be caused by earthquakes, volcanoes and landslides.

Question 1.

Which incident is being talked about?

- (a) Earthquake
- (b) Tsunami
- (c) Flood
- (d) Draught

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) Tsunami

Question 2.

Who saw the sea slowly rise and start to foam?

- (a) Megha
- (b) Alma
- (c) Tilly
- (d) Almas's friend

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) Tilly

Question 3.

Where had she studied about Tsunami?

- (a) Geography lesson
- (b) English lesson
- (c) History lesson
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) Geography lesson

Question 4.

Tilly's Geography teacher told her that Tsunami can be caused by:

- (a) earthquakes
- (b) volcanoes
- (c) land slide
- (d) all of them

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) all of them

Question 5.

What happened in 1946?

- (a) A draught hit the Hawaiian Islands
- (b) A tsunami had hit the Hawaiian Islands
- (c) An earthquake hit Gujrat
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) A tsunami had hit the Hawaiian Islands

(5)

Many people believe that animals possess a sixth sense and know when the earth is going to shake. Some experts believe that animals' more acute hearing helps them to hear or feel the earth's vibration. They can sense an approaching disaster long before humans realise what's going on.

Question 1.

What is the belief about animals?

- (a) They possess a sixth sense
- (b) They are fast
- (c) They are active
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) They possess a sixth sense

Question 2.

What do some experts believe about animals?

- (a) They are active
- (b) They are cruel
- (c) That they have a more acute hearing power
- (d) They can run fast

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) That they have a more acute hearing power

Question 3.

Who realised the approaching danger fast?

- (a) Human beings
- (b) Animals
- (c) Birds
- (d) All of them

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) Animals

Question 4.

Give the meaning of 'approaching'.

- (a) going far
- (b) helping
- (c) taking care
- (d) coming near

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) coming near

Question 5.

Give the opposite of 'believe'.

- (a) misbelieve
- (b) disbelieve
- (c) not believing
- (d) trust

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) disbelieve

(6)

Before the giant waves slammed into the coast in India and Sri Lanka, wild and domestic animals seemed to know what was about to happen. They fled to safety. According to eyewitness accounts, elephants screamed and ran for higher ground; dogs refused to go outdoors; flamingoes abandoned their low-lying breeding areas, and zoo animals rushed into their shelters and could not be enticed to come back out.

Question 1.

Which parts of India did the Tsunami hit?

- (a) Kerala
- (b) Tamil Nadu and Kamatka
- (c) Andaman-Nicobar Islands and Coastal areas of Tamil Nadu
- (d) Kamatka and Sri Lanka

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Answer: (c) Andaman-Nicobar Islands and Coastal areas of Tamil Nadu

Question 2.

Who realised the approaching danger first?

- (a) Animals
- (b) Birds

- (c) Human beings
- (d) Insects

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) Animals

Question 3.

What did they do?

- (a) They remained indoors
- (b) They were hit by Tsunami
- (c) They started crying
- (d) They fled safety

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) They fled safety

Question 4.

Why do the dogs refuse to go on outing that day?

- (a) They were inactive
- (b) They were ill
- (c) They smelt Tsunami
- (d) They were ill, fed

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) They smelt Tsunami

Question 5.

Give the meaning of 'fled'.

- (a) come back
- (b) ran away
- (c) walked slowly
- (d) hit

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) ran away
