

II SEMESTER ENGLISH LITERATURE

Std 4 LN.12 EKLAVYA (prose)

Question 1

1. What was Eklavya's burning desire?

- a) To be a king
- b) To be a soldier
- c) To become a disciple of Dronacharya
- d) To rule Hastinapura

2. Who was the great mentor of archery in Hastinapura?

- a) Arjuna
- b) Eklavya's father
- c) Dronacharya
- d) Bhishma

3. Why did Dronacharya refuse to teach Eklavya?

- a) Because he was very busy
- b) Because Eklavya was a tribal boy (a Shudra)
- c) Because Arjuna objected
- d) Because he was too young

4. What did Eklavya make from the mud of a river?

- a) A bow and arrow
- b) A statue of Dronacharya
- c) A hut
- d) A weapon

5. How did Eklavya practise archery?

- a) By watching Arjuna
- b) By worshipping and practising before his Guru's statue
- c) By copying other princes
- d) By self-reading books

6. What did Eklavya do when the dog disturbed his practice?

- a) He chased it away
- b) He injured it
- c) He filled its mouth with arrows without hurting it
- d) He ignored it

7. What did Dronacharya demand as Guru Dakshina?

- a) Eklavya's bow
- b) Eklavya's life
- c) The thumb of Eklavya's right hand
- d) A bag of gold

8. How did Eklavya respond to Drona's demand?

- a) He refused
- b) He argued
- c) He silently cut off his thumb and gave it
- d) He ran away

9. Who was shocked at Dronacharya's cruel demand?

- a) The princes
- b) Even Arjuna
- c) The villagers
- d) Eklavya's father

10. What quality of Eklavya is most admired?

- a) His anger
- b) His loyalty and obedience
- c) His wealth
- d) His tricks

11. Arrange the following events in the correct sequence:

- a) Eklavya made a statue of Dronacharya and practised archery in front of it.
- b) Eklavya requested Dronacharya to accept him as a disciple.
- c) Eklavya's father sent him to Dronacharya's Gurukul.



d) Eklavya became a skilled archer, even better than Arjuna.

1. c - b - a - d 2. b - c - a - d 3. c - a - b - d 4. b - a - d - c

12. Which of the following statements are TRUE about Eklavya?

a) He was the son of a tribal chief.

b) His only desire was to become a disciple of Dronacharya.

c) Dronacharya happily accepted Eklavya as his student.

d) Eklavya practised archery daily before the statue of his Guru.

1. a, b, d 2. a, c, d 3. b, c, d 4. a, b, c

13. Read the following statement and Select the correct answer from the given options

(i) Eklavya wanted to learn archery from Guru Dronacharya.

(ii) Eklavya admired Dronacharya as the greatest teacher of archery

a. i and ii are true,

b. i and ii are true.

c. i is true, but ii is false.

d. i is false, but ii is true

14.. Read the following statement and Select the correct answer

(i) Dronacharya refused to teach Eklavya.

(ii) Dronacharya was committed to training only the princes of Hastinapura.

a. i and ii are true,

b. i and ii are true.

c. i is true, but ii is false.

d. i is false, but ii is true

Question 2 (2marks)

1. 'Please accept me as your disciple and teach me the wonderful art of archery.'

a. Who said these words and to who?

b. Was the speaker accepted as a disciple? why?

c. How did the speaker learn the art of archery?

2. 'Thanks to it I have become a good Archer.'

a. Who said these words and to whom?

b. What does 'it' refer to?

c. How did 'it' help the speaker become a good Archer?



3. *'Here is my Guru Dakshina.'*

a. *Who said these words and to whom?*

b. *What was the Guru Dakshina?*

c. *How did the speaker give his Guru Dakshina?*

d. *What do we understand about the speaker's character from the action?*

Question 3 (3marks)

Extract

"Dronacharya sighed. 'Eklavya... if you are a tribal hunter, you must be a Shudra, the lowest social community. I am a Brahmin, the highest caste in the kingdom. I cannot teach a Shudra boy.'"

1. *Why was Eklavya not happy?*

2. *What did Eklavya see when he reach Dronacharya's Gurukul?*

3. *Why was the innocent tribal boy deeply hurt?*

4. *Why was Arjuna angry?*

Extract

"Your aim is truly remarkable!" Drona praised Eklavya and asked, 'Who taught you archery?' Eklavya was thrilled to hear Drona's praises. 'I learnt it from you, my master. You are my Guru,' Eklavya replied humbly."

1. *Who praised Eklavya's archery skills?*

2. *Why was Eklavya thrilled?*

3. *How did Eklavya learn archery from Drona without being his student?*

