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5 x 1 = 5

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1. Why couldn't the narrator find a villager to carry his trunk? 2. What was the narrator?
3. Who was carrying the trunk? A) the narrator B) the narrator's father C) a porter
4. What made the narrator shun his physical labour? A) his education B) weight of the trunk C) spare time
5. The synonym used for the word 'trunk' is A) field B) chest C) porter

(6-8) Read the following stanza [A plea for India] and answer the questions.

3 x 1 = 3

Let's ignore the selfish call of each region, and listen for once to the call of the nation. Why do we spend our time bickering when so any tasks need finishing? Don't we have better things to do	Than indulge in creating problems anew? Is all this violence needed with the people being cheated? Who will return this only son whom she loves a ton?
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6. 'Love a ton' means A) love very much B) not true affection C) hate very much
7. How are the calls of the regions? A) strong B) selfish C) cheating
8. Who are being cheated? A) sons B) mothers C) people

9. Match the following one-word substitutes in Part-A with the meanings in Part-B.

4 x ½ = 2

PART - A

PART- B

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| 1. autobiograph [] | (a) a person who believes in fate | (e) one who hates women |
| 2. spendthrift [] | (b) a position for which no salary is paid | |
| 3. honorary [] | (c) one who spends too much | |
| 4. fatalist [] | (d) one who believes in God. | (f) a life history written by oneself |

10. Read the following passage carefully and frame 'Wh' questions to get the underlined parts as answers. 5x2=10

Nick put the engagement ring (A) on Kanae's finger with his mouth and then said the most beautiful words every girl wants to hear coming from her man's mouth: 'Baby, I love you.' (B) Nick And Kanae got married on February 12, 2012 and (C) on February 13, 2013 they were blessed with the birth of a (D) healthy baby boy with full body. Nick and Kanae wrote an inspirational book, (E) 'Love without Limits' together and it was published in 2014.

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