

# Most expected questions and answers for SSLC Exam preparation

## Part 1

### GENTLEMAN OF RIO EN MEDIO

1. Why do you think Don Anselmo did not sell the trees in the orchard?

Ans: Don Anselmo planted a tree when a child was born in the village. So, the trees belonged to the children.

2. How do you say that Don Anselmo was a man of principles?

Ans: Don Anselmo refused to take extra amount from the Americans. He told that he had agreed to sell the land for 1200 dollars. This shows that he was not after the money.

3. Don Anselmo and the Americans were generous in their own way. Give reasons.

Ans: Don Anselmo refused to take extra amount from the Americans. He told that he had agreed to sell the land for 1200 dollars. And the Americans bought the trees from the children of the village. However, the trees in the land legally belonged to Americans.

### DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR

1. How can you say that Ambedkar had a great thirst for books?

OR

Dr. B R Ambedkar was a voracious reader. Justify.

Ans: Ambedkar bought books by curtailing his daily needs. When he was in New York he is said to have purchased 2000 old books. At the time of Second Round Table Conference in London, he bought plenty of books. He needed 32 boxes to send them to India.

2. Why did Nehru choose Dr. Ambedkar as the first Law Minister?

Ans: Ambedkar had a great skill in law and legislation. He had the vision of social justice. Therefore, Nehru chose him to be the Law Minister of India.

3. How did Mahatma Phule influence Ambedkar?

Ans: Ambedkar was greatly influenced by the life and work of Mahatma Phule. He was working for a classless society and for women's uplift.

4. Why does Nehru describe Dr. B.R. Ambedkar as a symbol of revolt?

Ans: Before independence, the Depressed Classes were illiterate. Their condition was miserable. Dr. B. R. Ambedkar raised his voice against this discrimination and improved the condition of the Depressed Classes.

### THE CONCERT

1. Why do you appreciate Smita?

Ans: Smita always did the work with Anant. To fulfill the desire of Anant, she requested Pandit Ravi Shankar to come to her house and play the sitar for Anant.

2. What makes you appreciate Pandit Ravi Shankar and Ustad Allah Rakha?

Ans: Pandit Ravi Shankar and Ustad Allah Rakha were busy musicians. On hearing the story of Anant, they went to Smita's house and played for the dying boy Anant. They deserve our appreciation.

### 3. They had Smita and her family come to Bombay? Who did they stay with?

Ans: Smita's brother, Anant, had been struck with cancer. They had come to Bombay so that he could be treated at the cancer hospital in the city. They stayed with Aunt Sushila

### 4. How do you say that Anant was a talented boy?

Ans: Anant was the best table-tennis player in the school and the fastest runner. He was learning to play the sitar and was already able to compose his own tunes to the astonishment of his guru.

## SCIENCE AND HOPE OF SURVIVAL

### 1. Why did the President of Russian Academy of Sciences summon Borok?

Ans: The super powers in the world had sufficient nuclear weapons to destroy lives. People lived under the threat of complete destruction. There was necessity to put a ban on the use of nuclear weapon tests. So, Borok was asked to find out a solution for saving the world from destruction by nuclear weapons.

### 2. How, according to Borok, is survival of civilization threatened?

Ans: According to Borok, our civilization is threatened by natural and man-made disasters. Some of them are earthquakes, environmental catastrophes, and self-inflicted destruction of mega cities, economic and social crisis.

### 3. Why did the super Powers meet in Geneva?

Ans: There was the threat of Mutually Assured Destruction. As nuclear tests continued, stronger bombs were being made. The three super powers wanted to come to an agreement, putting a ban on the nuclear weapon test to save themselves and the world.

### 4. According to Borok, scientists are the most practical people in the world.

Ans: All new technologies, all new brands of industry are the result of research by scientists. It is through their work that we have medicines, electronics, synthetic fibres, new sources of energy, modes of transport and the green revolution. This proves that scientists are the most practical people.