

Case study based questions
10th English

A Triumph of Surgery

Passage - 1

5 Marks

Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

“Oh, I did for a bit, but he seemed to be so weak I had to relent. He does love cream cakes and chocolates so. I can’t bear to refuse him.”

Q1. (2) I' is Mrs. Pumphrey and 'he' is Tricki, her pet dog.

Q2. (4) These words tell us that her dog Tricki was a pampered tog who was overfed by his mistress.

Q3. (1) Mrs. Pumphrey cut down on giving Tricki sweet foods, but only for a bit of time.

Q4. (3) Mrs. Pumphrey couldn’t bear to refuse her dog Tricki.

Q5. (2) No, the surgeon had told Mrs. Pumphrey that he was not supposed to have so many sweet foods.

Passage - 2

5 Marks

Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

“Poor old lad,” I said. “You haven’t a kick in you but I think I know a cure for you.”

Q1. (1) The speaker, Dr. Herriot had decided that the dog needed a strict diet and nothing else.

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Q2. (3) These words describe the health condition of Tricki who was listless because of bouts of vomiting and breathlessness.

Q3. (4) The speaker of this line is Dr. Herriot, the veterinary surgeon.

Q4. (1) The speaker is referring to Tricki, an overweight dog.

Q5. (2) The 'poor old lad' needed a cure because being overfed and given many sweet foods had caused him to fall ill.

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I was really worried about Tricki this time. I had pulled up my car when I saw him in the street with his mistress and I was shocked at his appearance. He had become hugely fat, like a bloated sausage with a leg at each corner. His eyes, bloodshot and rheumy, stared straight ahead and his tongue lolled from his jaws.

Q1. (4) 'I' refers to the veterinary doctor who is the narrator of the story. The 'mistress' is Mrs. Pumphrey who was the owner of Tricki.

Q2. (1) He was worried to see the appearance of Mrs. Pumphrey's dog who had become hugely fat and had bloodshot and rheumy eyes.

Q3. (3) Here, 'I' is Mr. Herriot. He had pulled up his car when he saw Tricki with his mistress in the street. He was shocked at his appearance.

Q4. (1) Mr. Herriot was shocked to see Tricki as he had become hugely fat, like a bloated sausage with a leg at each corner. His eyes, bloodshot and rheumy, stared straight ahead and his tongue lolled from his jaws.

Q5. (2) bloated sausage

Passage - 2

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Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

Mrs. Pumphrey hastened to explain, “He was so listless, Mr Herriot. He seemed to have no energy. I thought he must be suffering from malnutrition, so I have been giving him some little extras between meals to build him up, some malt and cod-liver oil and a bowl of Horlicks at night to make him sleep – nothing much really.”

Q1. (3) Mrs. Pumphrey wanted to explain the critical condition of her pet dog, Tricki, to Dr. Herriot.

Q2. (1) She was giving Tricki malt, cod-liver oil and a bowl of Horlicks to make him energetic.

Q3. (4) Mrs. Pumphrey thought that Tricki was suffering from malnutrition.

Q4. (2) Mrs. Pumphrey hastened to explain Tricki’s diet because she had fed him extra meals despite the doctor’s advice not to.

Q5. (1) No, the extra food only made Tricki fatter and more ill.
