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Founder, MISSION GYAN**Chapter-5 | The Snake
and the Mirror****Worksheet-2****Multiple Choice Questions**

1. **How many times did the doctor hear that sound?**
(a) Four (b) Three
(c) One (d) Two
2. **What does the narrator do in paragraphs 4 and 5?**
(a) Make fun of his own vanity. (b) Describe his appearance in detail.
(c) Express pride in the way he looked. (d) Convey satisfaction at his success in life.
3. **What is true about the narrator's encounter with the snake?**
(a) He saw himself much more clearly than before.
(b) It made him realise that he had a lot more to accomplish.
(c) It gave him a chance to recognise his absolute faith in God.
(d) He understood that he was not as brave as he thought he was.
4. **What was the second and the earth-shaking decision made by the doctor?**
(a) To always keep smile on his face. (b) To marry with a fat girl.
(c) To marry with a slim girl. (d) To always wear coat pants.
5. **The narrator said the sound was a familiar one. Who made that sound?**
(a) All of these (b) Rat
(c) Cat (d) Snake
6. **Where did the narrator have his meal?**
(a) Hotel (b) Home
(c) Mall (d) Restaurant
7. **What time did he returned to his room?**
(a) about nine o' clock (b) about ten o' clock
(c) about eight o' clock (d) about eleven o' clock
8. **What kind of weather was it?**
(a) summer night (b) winter night
(c) spring night (d) autumn night

9. Why had he to light a kerosene lamp?

- (a) Because electricity is coming (b) Because electricity is not coming
(c) Fault in electricity (d) House was not electrified

10. What kind of roof did the room have?

- (a) Wood roof (b) Metal roof
(c) Tiled roof (d) Concrete roof

Fill in the blanks :

11. There was a regular traffic of _____ to and from the beam.
12. He put his bed _____ .

True / False

13. The word 'lyrical' best describes the style of the author's writing in the text.
14. There were three windows in the room.

Very Short Type Questions

15. Why did the doctor live in a small, poor house?
16. What two important and earthshaking decisions did the doctor take while he was looking into the mirror?

Short Type Questions

17. What made the doctor narrate his encounter with a snake?
18. Why did the snake leave the doctor's arm?

Essay Type Questions

19. What kind of a room was the doctor living in?
20. I was a poor, foolish and stupid doctor. Justify the statement in the light of the story, The Snake and the Mirror.

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21. **Assertion (A) :** The snake left the doctor and moved towards the mirror.
Reason (R) : The snake was fascinated by its own reflection in the mirror.
(a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
(b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(c) A is true, but R is false.
(d) A is false, but R is true.



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Answer & Solution

1. (b)

The Doctor heard the familiar sound of the rats. He thought it was the regular traffic of rats to and from the beam. He heard the sound thrice. The sound stopped when the doctor resumed his seat in the chair with many thoughts passing through his mind. The sound stopped because the rats might have seen the snake.

2. (a) Make fun of his own vanity.

3. (a) He saw himself much more clearly than before.

4. (a)

The second and the earth-shaking decision made by the doctor was to always keep a smile on his face.

5. (b)

There were a lot of rats in his room which created a sound all the time. That's why the narrator was familiar with that sound.

6. (a) Restaurant

7. (b) about ten o'clock.

8. (a) Summer night

9. (d) house was not electrified

10. (c) Tiled roof

11. Rats

12. Closer to the wall

13. True

14. False

15. The room that the doctor was living in was a small, poor, uncomfortable and unhygienic one. Since his medical practice was not yet well-established, he did not earn much and could not afford a better place.

16. The doctor made two decisions after looking at himself in the mirror. The first was that he would shave daily and grow a thin moustache in order to look more handsome as he was still unmarried and was in a reputed medical profession. The second decision was that he would marry a rich and fat doctor.

17. The doctor and some of his friends happened to discuss snakes. The topic reminded the doctor of his own encounter with a deadly snake and he narrated the incident to his friends. The doctor was frightened when the snake coiled around his body with its taut hood barely three or four inches away from his face.

18. The snake left the doctor's arm because it saw its reflection in the mirror and was fascinated by it and so wanted to enjoy its own reflection by having a closer look. The doctor thought that maybe the snake wanted to look at itself and have a closer look at its appearance.
19. The room that the doctor was living in was a small, poor, uncomfortable and unhygienic one. He was a homoeopath. He did not earn much and could not afford a better place. He was living in a rented room. That room was without electricity and was on the outer side of the house and one of its walls opened into the yard. It had two windows. Its roof was tiled and had long supporting gables which rested on a beam on the wall. There were rats in the room which constantly made noises. The doctor's description of the room shows that he was not happy with that poor accommodation. But he had decided to shift to some other house after his encounter with the snake. It was such a horrifying experience that he had to run to a friend's house to save his life.
20. The author uttered these words. He was right in using these words. His financial condition was not sound. He was living in a rented room and had no facility there. He endured the company of rats. When the snake was about to strike him, he thought about medicines. The doctor felt foolish and weak when he was in grip of a frightful snake, he realised that there was no medicine in the room for the snake bite, which was a distinct possibility at that moment. He felt helpless and frightened. He smiled feebly at his stupidity. So he cursed his poverty and declared himself foolish for not keeping any medicine. It shows that the author acted in a stupid manner. Thus we can say that the words used by the author for himself are justified..
21. (a)
The snake saw its reflection in the mirror and appeared to be captivated by it. This distraction caused it to unwind itself from the doctor's arm and crawl toward the mirror, giving the doctor a chance to escape. Hence, both statements are true and R correctly explains A.

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