RBSE CLASS-9 | ENGLISH (Moments)

Chapter-6 | Weathering the Storm in Ersama





Multiple Choice Questions

1.	What was the first natural disaster Prashant had experienced in his life?	
	(a) A drought	(b) A super cyclone
	(c) A tsunami	(d) An earthquake
2.	Where did Prashant take shelter during the cyclone?	
	(a) In his village school	(b) On a boat
	(c) On the roof of a brick house	(d) In a government building
3.	What helped Prashant and others surv	vive for the first few days?
	(a) Helicopter relief	(b) Stored food
	(c) Fallen coconut trees	(d) Help from neighbors
4.	What sight caused Prashant to cry out loud on the way to his village?	
	(a) Destruction of crops	(b) Dead animals
	(c) Floating human bodies	(d) Government apathy
5.	What was Prashant's emotional state upon reaching his village?	
	(a) Relieved	(b) Joyful
	(c) Hopeless and anxious	(d) Confused
6.	What role did Prashant take in the cyclone shelter?	
	(a) A nurse	(b) A teacher
	(c) A community leader	(d) A relief worker
7.	How many people had gathered at the	e Red Cross shelter?
	(a) About 500	(b) Over 2500
	(c) Around 1000	(d) About 3000
8.	What did the villagers cook to feed themselves after getting rice?	
	(a) Khichdi	(b) Boiled rice
	(c) Porridge	(d) Nothing

- 9. Why did Prashant oppose the idea of orphanages and institutions?
 - (a) They were expensive
 - (b) They lacked discipline
 - (c) Children needed love and care in their community
 - (d) They were far away from villagers.
- 10. What change came over Prashant after helping others?
 - (a) He became rich.

(b) He healed emotionally.

(c) He moved to the city.

(d) He became famous.

Fill in the blanks:

- **11.** Prashant used a ______ to test the depth of water while walking to his village.
- **12.** The villagers lived on tender ______before receiving any outside help.

True / False

- 13. Prashant's friend's house was made of bamboo and collapsed in the strom.
- **14.** The cyclone hit the town of Erasma in the year 1995.

Very Short Type Questions

- **15.** When did Prashant decide to go back to his village?
- **16.** What was Prashant's age at the time of the cyclone?

Short Type Questions

- 17. What impact did the cyclone have on Prashant's village?
- **18.** How did Prashant involve others in managing the relief work?

Essay Type Questions

- **19.** Why was the presence of coconut trees on the roof a blessing?
- **20.** Describe the transformation in Prashant's role from a cyclone survivor to a community leader.

HOTS

- 21 Assertion (A): Prashant's actions helped the community recover emotionally.

 Reason (R): He focused only on food and shelter distribution.
 - (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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Worksheet-2

Answer & Solution



1. (b)

The super cyclone of October 1999 was the first disaster Prashant witnessed.

2. (c)

He stayed on the roof of his friend's brick house during the cyclone.

3. (c)

The coconuts from fallen trees sustained them initially.

4. (c)

He saw corpses of people and animals floating in the flood waters.

5. (c)

He feared the worst and felt emotionally devastated.

6. (c)

He assumed leadership and coordinated relief activities.

7. (b)

2,500 people had taken refuge in the shelter.

8. (b)

They lit fires using fallen tree branches and cooked the rice.

9. (c)

He believed children should grow up in a loving environment, not in isolated institutions.

10. (b)

By helping others, he found purpose and healed from his emotional pain.

- **11.** stick
- 12. coconuts

- **13.** False
- **14.** False
- **15.** Prashant decided to go back to his village two days after the rain ceased, which seemed to him like two years.
- **16.** Prashant was nineteen years old at the time of the cyclone.
- **17.** Eighty-six lives were lost, and all ninety-six houses were destroyed. The entire village was devastated.
- **18.** He formed groups of youth and elders to gather food, clean the shelter, and care for the sick and injured.
- **19.** The tender coconuts from the fallen trees provided food for the family stranded on the roof.
- 20. Initially a victim himself, Prashant took charge of the situation at the shelter. He led food and sanitation efforts, arranged care for orphans, and motivated villagers to help themselves. His leadership brought relief and emotional healing to the community, making him a symbol of hope and resilience.
- 21. (c)

While food and shelter were important,
Prashant also focused on emotional
recovery by organizing games, involving
widows in community work, and resisting
orphanages to ensure emotional healing.