

## CHAPTER-6 | Mijbil the Otter

QUIZ  
PART-02

1. When did the author travel to Southern Iraq?

- A. Spring 1954
- B. Early in the New Year of 1956
- C. Late 1957
- D. Mid-1955 (B)

**Explanation:** The journey is dated to the beginning of 1956.

2. What animal did the author decide to try keeping instead of a dog?

- A. Cat
- B. Parrot
- C. Otter
- D. Rabbit (C)

**Explanation:** He resolved to keep an otter rather than another dog.

3. Why was Camusfearna considered an ideal place for this experiment?

- A. It had a large garden
- B. It was ringed by water a stone's throw from the door
- C. It was close to a vet clinic
- D. It had many visitors (B)

**Explanation:** The cottage's watery surroundings made it eminently suitable.

4. Where did a friend suggest obtaining an otter?

- A. Nile delta
- B. Tigris marshes
- C. Amazon basin
- D. Ganges plain (B)

**Explanation:** The otters were said to be as common as mosquitoes in the Tigris marshes and often tamed by Arabs.

5. In which city did they visit the Consulate-General to collect mail?

- A. Baghdad
- B. Mosul
- C. Basra
- D. Kirkuk (C)

**Explanation:** They went to the Consulate-General in Basra for their European mail.

6. What obstacle occurred on the second day when trying to telephone England?

- A. Line out of order
- B. Exchange closed for a religious holiday
- C. Operator busy signal
- D. Number disconnected (B)

**Explanation:** Day one the line failed; day two the exchange was shut for a religious holiday; day three another breakdown.

7. How long after his friend left did the author's mail arrive?

- A. Two days later
- B. Three days later
- C. Five days later
- D. Seven days later (C)

**Explanation:** The post finally turned up five days after the friend's departure.

8. What did the author find beside the two Arabs in his bedroom?

- A. A wooden crate of fish
- B. A basket with a blanket
- C. A sack that squirmed
- D. A metal cage with a bird (C)

**Explanation:** The sack moved from time to time, indicating a live animal inside.

9. What message accompanied the unexpected delivery?

- A. "Meet me in a week."
- B. "Here is your otter..."
- C. "Your mail is delayed."
- D. "Send money at once." (B)

**Explanation:** A note from the friend read, "Here is your otter..."

10. Which motivation best captures why the author wanted a new pet?

- A. Training for outdoor expeditions
- B. Desire for companionship
- C. Medical therapy
- D. Professional research (B)

**Explanation:** The slides emphasize a yearning for companionship and identifying loneliness.