CBSE Board

Class 10 | English

CHAPTER-2 | Nelson Mandela

QUIZ-01



- 1. What does Nelson Mandela mean by "an extraordinary human disaster" in his speech?
 - A. Economic inequality in South Africa
 - B. The policy of apartheid
 - C. The effects of colonization
 - D. The Anglo-Boer War

(B)

- **Explanation:** Mandela refers to apartheid as an extraordinary human disaster that caused prolonged suffering, dividing people based on race and denying basic human rights.
- 2. Why were two national anthems sung during the inauguration ceremony?
 - A. To symbolize unity and reconciliation
 - B. To highlight cultural diversity
 - C. To honor international leaders
 - D. To mark the end of apartheid

(A)

- Explanation: Singing both "Nkosi Sikelel' iAfrika" and "Die Stem" represented the unity of South Africa's diverse races and reconciliation after decades of division.
- 3. What was symbolized by the military display at Mandela's inauguration?
 - A. The end of apartheid-era policies
 - B. The military's loyalty to democracy
 - C. Strength and independence of South Africa
 - D. A tribute to Mandela's leadership
- Explanation: The military's precise display symbolized their loyalty to the new democratic government, signifying a peaceful transition of power.
- 4. According to Mandela, what unintended effect did decades of oppression and brutality have?
 - A. Creation of a fractured society
 - B. Strengthening of national unity
 - C. Production of leaders with extraordinary character
 - D. Economic downfall of South Africa (C)
- **Explanation:** Mandela highlights that oppression and brutality produced leaders with exceptional courage, wisdom, and generosity, inspiring others in the struggle for freedom.
- 5. What does Mandela mean by "freedom is indivisible"?
 - A. Freedom must be fought for collectively
 - B. No one is truly free unless everyone is free
 - C. Freedom applies only to individuals, not communities
 - D. Freedom is a natural state of humanity
- **Explanation:** Mandela explains that true freedom can only exist when all individuals are free, as the chains on one person affect everyone else.

- 6. How did Mandela's understanding of freedom change as he grew older?
 - A. He realized it was about personal gains
 - B. He saw it as the right to disobey societal norms
 - C. He evolved from seeking personal to collective freedom
 - D. He believed freedom was an unattainable ideal

Explanation : Mandela's view of freedom matured from seeking personal liberties to advocating for the collective freedom and dignity of his people.

- 7. What is Mandela's perspective on oppressors in his speech?
 - A. They deserve punishment
 - B. They are victims of their own hatred
 - C. They should be excluded from society
 - D. They are born with prejudice

(B)

- *Explanation*: Mandela believes oppressors are also imprisoned by their hatred and prejudice, which robs them of their humanity and freedom.
- 8. What does Mandela describe as South Africa's greatest wealth?
 - A. Its mineral and gem resources
 - B. Its cultural diversity C. Its people
 - D. Its natural beauty

(C)

- **Explanation:** Mandela emphasizes that the courage, wisdom, and resilience of South Africa's people surpass all material wealth.
- 9. What does Mandela say about the ability to hate or love?
 - A. Hatred is more natural than love
 - B. Love comes more naturally to the human heart than hatred
 - C. People are born with the capacity to hate
 - D. Love and hate are equally natural (B)
- **Explanation:** Mandela asserts that love is a natural human trait, while hatred is something that is learned and can therefore be unlearned.
- 10. What does Mandela mean by "twin obligations"?
 - A. Obligations to fight apartheid and support his family
 - B. Duties to oneself and society
 - C. Duties to his family and community
 - D. Obligations to his career and political ideals (C)
- *Explanation:* Mandela describes the dual responsibilities of a person: obligations to family and obligations to one's community and country.