ENGLISH GRAMMAR – UNSEEN PASSAGES 2

Passage 1-

Trees are an essential part of our natural environment. Trees provide us with many benefits. They produce oxygen through photosynthesis, which is essential for our survival. They also absorb carbon dioxide, which is a harmful gas and contributes to climate change. Trees also provide shade to us, which provides relief to all living beings during the hot summer days. Forests provide protection to a wide variety of animals, birds, and insects, many of which depend on trees for food and shelter. Trees also help prevent soil erosion, which is important for maintaining healthy ecosystems. Unfortunately, many forests around the world are being destroyed due to deforestation, trees being cut for commercial purposes. Deforestation has many adverse effects on the environment, including soil erosion, loss of biodiversity, and climate change. It is very important that we should take steps to protect trees and forests. We can plant more trees around us, support reforestation programs, and reduce our consumption of products that contribute to deforestation, such as palm oil. By doing so, we can help ensure a healthy and sustainable future for ourselves and future generations.

Q.1. - What do forests provide protection to? –

Q.2. - What are the benefits of trees mentioned in the passage? –

Q.3. - What is deforestation? –

Q.4. - What are the adverse effects of deforestation on the environment? –

Q.5. - What can we do to protect trees and forests?

Passage 2-

There was a poor person. He would go to the forests and cut wood. It was a rainy day, and dry wood had stopped being available in the forest. The laborer started working by cutting dry bushes, and selling them. Dry bushes were also not going to cooperate for long. He was lying in the shadow of the tree in the afternoon full of anxiety, when a nightingale came to the tree and started singing. Pleased with his singing, the laborer thought of catching him. He thought that he would get money by making people listen to Bulbul's songs. The next day he spread a trap under the tree and caught the nightingale and put it in the cage. "I've got you." He happily said – "Now you will always have to sing for me." "We never sing in the nightingale cage." The nightingale of that song said. "Then I will eat you." The laborer

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threatened – "I have heard that nightingale is very tasty to eat." "No, don't hit me." Nightingale said fearfully – "If you free me, I will tell you three valuable things in exchange for my life. Those three things will be of great use to you." The laborer thought that she is a wonderful bird, surely she will tell such a thing, which will remove his poverty. He freed her. The nightingale immediately flew up and sat on the branch of a tree. He said- "Now listen to my three words. "First, never believe the promise of a prisoner, second, do not get what you want by threats, third is the most valuable thing, don't be sad for what you have lost, and work hard to find a new way." " After that the nightingale flew away singing the song. The laborer kept rubbing his hands. He thought – he got nothing in his hands due to greed.

Q.1. - Who is the protagonist in the story? –

Q.2. - What did the laborer do when he heard the nightingale's song? –

Q.3. - What did the nightingale offer to the laborer in exchange for its life? –

Q.4. - What was the laborer's reaction to the nightingale's advice? –

Q.5. - What lesson can we learn from the story? –

Q.6. - What did the nightingale mean by "don't be sad for what you have lost, and work hard to find a new way"? –

THANK YOU

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