

## CHAPTER 3

### PLATFORM NO. 8

#### **True/False Questions**

1. The story takes place at platform no. 8 in Ambala station. (True / False)
2. The woman who met Akshay wore a black sari. (True / False)
3. The woman ordered samosas and jalebis for Akshay at the station dining room. (True / False)
4. The train arrived on time at midnight. (True / False)
5. Akshay kissed the woman goodbye on the cheek. (True / False)

#### **Fill in the Blanks**

1. Akshay was waiting for the \_\_\_\_\_ bound train at Ambala station.
2. The woman wore a \_\_\_\_\_ sari and had dark, kind eyes.
3. The woman clutched Akshay's arm when a boy took a shortcut across the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Mayank's mother warned Akshay never to talk to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The woman stood on the platform in a \_\_\_\_\_ crowd as the train departed.

#### **Multiple Choice Questions**

1. Why did the woman clutch Akshay's arm?
  - a) She saw a suspicious character
  - b) A boy was crossing the rails

- c) The train was approaching
  - d) Akshay tried to run away
- 2. What food did the woman order for Akshay?**
- a) Sandwiches and juice
  - b) Samosas and jalebis
  - c) Pizza and fries
  - d) Chai and biscuits
- 3. How did Mayank's mother describe strangers at the station?**
- a) Helpful and kind
  - b) Suspicious characters
  - c) Friendly travelers
  - d) Boring people
- 4. What did Akshay feel toward Mayank's mother?**
- a) Admiration
  - b) Fear
  - c) Hatred
  - d) Indifference
- 5. Why did the woman claim to be Akshay's mother?**
- a) To avoid embarrassment
  - b) To trick Mayank's mother
  - c) To protect Akshay's reputation
  - d) To make a joke

6. What did Akshay do before the train left?
- a) Waved enthusiastically
  - b) Kissed the woman's cheek
  - c) Ignored the woman
  - d) Cried loudly
7. What did Mayank's mother give him?
- a) A cricket bat and chocolates
  - b) A book and a pen
  - c) A toy and snacks
  - d) A sweater and shoes
8. How did the woman react when asked if she was Akshay's mother?
- a) She denied it
  - b) She laughed nervously
  - c) She confirmed it calmly
  - d) She walked away
9. What emotion did Akshay feel toward the woman at the end?
- a) Anger
  - b) Gratitude
  - c) Indifference
  - d) Fear
10. What was the woman's demeanor throughout the story?
- a) Harsh and critical

- b) Gentle and kind
- c) Nervous and anxious
- d) Playful and loud