

# **DPP(MCQ)-ISC-TO BUILD A FIRE- CLASS XII ENGLISH-LITERATURE**

## **EXERCISE A**

1

In what current state does the story take place?

- THE YUKON
- NEW YORK
- NORTH DAKOTA
- ALASKA

2

What is the man's name?

- JACK
- TEDDY
- WE NEVER FIND OUT
- MANNY

3

What is the name for a "newcomer in the land"?

- INGENUE
- DEBUTANTE
- CHECHAQUO
- OUTSIDER

4

At what temperature does the old-timer tell the man is it dangerous to travel alone?

- SEVENTY DEGREES FAHRENHEIT BELOW ZERO
- FIFTY DEGREES FAHRENHEIT BELOW ZERO
- ZERO DEGREES FAHRENHEIT
- THIRTY-TWO DEGREES FAHRENHEIT

5

What kind of dog travels with the man?

- A HOUND
- A WOLF
- AN ENGLISH COCKER SPANIEL
- A HUSKY

6

Where is the man meeting "the boys"?

- IDITAROD
- HENDERSON CREEK
- ANCHORAGE
- NOME

7

What is the man not "quick and alert" in, according to London?

- THE THINGS OF LIFE
- THE SIGNIFICANCES OF LIFE
- THE PASSIONS OF LIFE
- THE HEARTACHES OF LIFE

8

The man first worries about frostbite for which body parts?

- NOSE AND CHEEKBONES
- LIPS
- FINGERS
- EARS

9

Why is the man's beard colored amber?

- BECAUSE HIS FOOD HAS RUN INTO IT
- BECAUSE HIS RUM HAS RUN INTO IT
- IT IS THE NATURAL COLOR
- BECAUSE HIS TOBACCO HAS RUN INTO IT

10

What does the man wish he had brought for his cheeks?

- A NOSE STRAP
- A SCARF
- FUR
- HOT OIL

11

What is the man fearful of as he walks along the trail?

- HIDDEN SPRINGS
- MOOSE
- WET SNOW

- BEARS

12

What does the dog do when it wets its feet and legs?

- IT BITES AT THE ICE BETWEEN ITS TOES
- IT BUILDS A FIRE
- IT BURROWS INTO THE SNOW
- IT WHINES

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What does the man frequently do with his hands to warm them up?

- HE RUBS THEM AGAINST THE DOG'S FUR
- HE BLOWS ON THEM
- HE BUILDS A FIRE
- HE BEATS THEM AGAINST HIS LEGS

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Where is the old-timer from?

- HENDERSON CREEK
- MICHIGAN
- SULPHUR CREEK
- NORTH DAKOTA

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What condescending word does the man first use for the old-timer when thinking about him?

- "HARDY"
- "FEMININE"
- "WEAK"
- "WOMANISH"

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How, according to London, does the dog know about the danger of the cold?

- IT HAS STUDIED THE LAND
- IT HAS INHERITED KNOWLEDGE OF THE COLD
- IT HAS LEARNED FROM THE MAN
- IT HAS LIVED IN THE COLD FOR YEARS

17

What two words does London use in describing both accidents?

- "IT CAME"
- "IT HAPPENED"
- "IT WENT"
- "IT OCCURRED"

18

Where does the man get wet up to?

- HIS CHEST
- HIS WAIST
- HIS KNEES
- HIS FEET

19

Why is the man initially angry about wetting himself?

- HE FEARS FROSTBITE
- IT WILL DELAY HIM
- HE HATES WATER
- HE WANTED TO PROVE HE COULD HANDLE THE YUKON ON HIS OWN

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What can the reader view the story's title as?

- AN INSTRUCTION MANUAL
- A POETIC PHRASE
- AN IMPERATIVE
- A GRAMMAR LESSON ON INFINITIVES

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How does London describe the second accident?

- AS THE MAN'S "FAULT"
- AS A "MISTAKE"
- AS AN "ERROR"
- AS A "PROBLEM"

22

How does London describe the tree's avalanche?

- AS A "SERIES OF LINKS"
- AS A "PROCESS"
- AS A "PROJECTION"
- AS A "SERIES OF CAUSES"

23

How many matches does the man light at once?

- 100
- SEVENTY
- TEN
- FIFTY

24

Why does the man drop the matches?

- HE DOES NOT NEED THEM ANY MORE
- HE FEELS THEY ARE BURNING HIS FLESH
- HE SEES THEY ARE BURNING HIS FLESH
- HE IS AFRAID OF USING THEM ALL UP

25

Why does the second fire go out?

- THE SNOW FALLS ON IT AGAIN
- THE MAN SNUFFS IT OUT AS HE TRIES TO PROTECT IT FROM A PIECE OF MOSS
- THE DOG RUNS OVER IT
- THE MAN GETS IT WET

### **EXERCISE B**

Question 1. Where did the story take place?

- Antarctica
- Alaska
- Yellowstone Park
- the Yukon Territory

Question 2 Q. What does the man THINK the temperature outside is?

- 0 degrees
- -50 degrees
- 32 degrees
- -20 degrees

Question 3 Q. Why did the man make a second fire?

- to dry his socks and moccasins
- to give his dog a break
- to prepare his lunch
- to wait out the cold

Question 4 Q. The relationship between the man and his dog was most like that of...

- two old friends
- master and slave
- father and son
- teammates

Question 5 Q. According to the old-timer on Sulphur Creek, what was the man's biggest mistake?

- traveling alone
- stopping too long at lunch time
- failing to bring extra clothes and supplies
- not watching for hidden springs

Question 6 Q. What does the dog appreciate about the man?

- his drive to keep going
- his comforting presence
- his ability to make fire
- his willingness to take risks

Question 7 Q. Where is the man heading to?

- home to his family
- the camp to the rest of the boys
- to a dogsled race

- the north pole

Question 8 Q. anesthetic

- a hand or a foot
- a drug used to kill pain or make a patient unconscious
- something attached to a larger object
- a wavelike shape

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