Chapter 7

Birth

READING WITH INSIGHT

Q. 1 "I have done something; oh, God! I've done something real at last." Why does Andrew say this? What does it mean?

Answer:

Andrew said these words in the excitement of saving the lives of both mother and the child. Before the operation, Andrew was very sad thinking about the pain that his girlfriend has given him. When he successfully delivered the baby out, he found the baby was dead. Then he decided to cure the mother first and he does. After that, he keenly observes the baby and finds out the problem. He then immediately does the necessary treatment and brings the baby back to life. Thus, he does something real. Hence it means that till then he was in his thoughts and that moment he did something real.

Q. 2 There lies a great difference between textbook medicine and the world of a practicing physician. Discuss.

Answer:

Textbooks surely do not have all the medicine that is required to cure the diseases of mankind. They include only the basic and ancient methods and medicine. The world is progressing day by day. There are a lot of new equipment and medicine coming into existence. Hence the practicing physician can know their usage and methods of handling, which means they learn something that is beyond their textbook syllabus. Hence there is a lot of difference between textbook medicine and the world of practicing physicians.

Q. 3 Do you know of any incident when someone has been brought back to life from the brink of death through medical help? Discuss medical

procedures such as organ transplant and organ regeneration that are used to save human life.

Answer:

Yes, I heard news about heart transplantation of a person in Hyderabad. The heart of a brain dead person in Bangalore was transported within 2hrs to Hyderabad. Everyone thought it would be impossible, but it was made possible by the doctors.

Due to the improvement in science and technology, there is a vast development in medical field. Some operations which were not even imagined are taking place now. Organ transplantation, organ regeneration, dialysis is some of such things. Organ transplantation is a method in which the damaged organ of one person is replaced by other donor's organ. In organ regeneration method the injured organs are treated with some drugs that help the organ to cure and become normal. There is a lot of study going on in this field today. It is expected that the complete research in this field can grow the cut body parts like limbs.