The Tale of Custard the Dragon

Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow by choosing the most appropriate alternative from those given below:

(1)

Belinda embraced him, Mustard licked him, No one mourned for his pirate victim. Ink and Blink in glee did gyrate Around the dragon that ate the pirate.

Question 1.

Who composed these lines?

- (a) Robert Frost
- (b) W.B. Yeasts
- (c) Robin Klein
- (d) Ogden Nash

▼ Answer

(d) Ogden Nash

Question 2.

Belinda embraced the dragon whose name was

- (a) Mustard
- (b) Custard
- (c) Ink
- (d) Blink

▼ Answer

(b) Custard

Question 3.

The dragon had swallowed

- (a) the pirate
- (b) a drink
- (c) some liquor
- (d) none of the above

▼ Answer

(a) the pirate

Question 4.

The word 'mourned' means

- (a) pleased
- (b) rejected
- (c) lamented
- (d) dejected
- ▼ Answer
- (c) lamented







Suddenly, suddenly they heard a nasty sound, And Mustard growled and they all looked around, Meowch! cried Ink, and oh! cried Belinda, For there was a pirate, climbing in the winda.

Question 1.

Who composed these lines?

- (a) Robert Frost
- (b) Robin Klein
- (c) Ogden Nash
- (d) none of above

▼ Answer

(c) Ogden Nash

Question 2.

The animals and Belinda heard a

- (a) jingle voice
- (b) twinkling sound
- (c) pleasant noise
- (d) threatening sound

▼ Answer

(d) threatening sound

Question 3.

Someone climbing in the window was

- (a) a thief
- (b) a serpent
- (c) a pirate
- (d) a cobra

▼ Answer

(c) a pirate

Question 4.

'Winda' here stands for

- (a) wind
- (b) window
- (c) winner
- (d) winning

▼ Answer

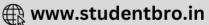
(b) window

(3)

Now the name of the little black kitten was Ink, And the little grey mouse, she called him Blink, And the little yellow dog was sharp as Mustard, But the dragon was a coward, and she called him Custard







Question 1.

- 'She' here refers to
- (a) kitten
- (b) Belinda
- (c) mouse
- (d) none

▼ Answer

(b) Belinda

Question 2.

Name of the characters in this stanzas are

- (a) little black kitten
- (b) little grey mouse
- (c) little yellow dog
- (d) all the above

▼ Answer

(d) all the above

Question 3.

What does she call the dragon?

- (a) Mustard
- (b) Custard
- (c) Ink
- (d) Blink

▼ Answer

(b) Custard

Question 4.

The word 'coward' means

- (a) timid
- (b) courageous
- (c) fearless
- (d) cowboy

▼ Answer

(a) timid

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Belinda is as brave as a barrel full of bears, And Ink and Blink chase lions down the stairs, Mustard is as brave as a tiger in a rage, But Custard keeps crying for a nice safe cage.

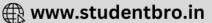
Question 1.

Who composed these lines?

- (a) Robert Frost
- (b) W.B. Yeasts
- (c) Robin Klein
- (d) Ogden Nash







▼ Answer

(d) Ogden Nash

Question 2.

Mustard was also as brave as

- (a) a barrel
- (b) a tiger
- (c) a lion
- (d) a cobra

▼ Answer

(b) a tiger

Question 3.

Custard's only request was for a

- (a) cup of coffee
- (b) safe cage
- (c) home
- (d) drink

▼ Answer

(b) safe cage

Question 4.

The word 'rage' means

- (a) anger
- (b) love
- (c) hatred
- (d) respite

▼ Answer

(a) anger

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The pirate gaped at Belinda dragon And gulped some grog from his pocket fiagon, He fired two bullets, but they didn't hit, And custard gobbled him, every bit.

Question 1.

The pirate gaped at the dragon when

- (a) he grabbed him
- (b) he saluted him
- (c) he ate him
- (d) he saw him

▼ Answer

(d) he saw him

Question 2.

He attacked the dragon by







- (a) pouncing upon him
- (b) catching his neck
- (c) firing two bullets
- (d) making an effort
- **▼** Answer
- (c) firing two bullets

Question 3.

To prepare himself for the fight, the pirate

- (a) gulped some liquor
- (b) had some breath
- (c) shouted a war cry
- (d) made up his mind
- **▼** Answer
- (a) gulped some liquor

Question 4.

The word 'gobbled' means

- (a) played awkwardly
- (b) had nothing to do
- (c) took a glance
- (d) ate hurriedly
- ▼ Answer
- (d) ate hurriedly

(6)

Custard the dragon had big sharp teeth, And spikes on top of him and scales underneath, Mouth like a fireplace, chimney for a nose, And realio, trullo daggers on his loes

Question 1.

Who composed these lines?

- (a) Ogden Nash
- (b) Carl Sandburg
- (c) W.B. Yeats
- (d) Robert Frost
- **▼** Answer
- (a) Ogden Nash

Question 2.

The teeth of Custard were

- (a) small but sharp
- (b) long and pointed
- (c) big but blunt
- (d) big and sharp
- **▼** Answer







(d) big and sharp

Question 3.

The dragon had beneath him

- (a) hard paw
- (b) hard skin
- (c) a tortoise
- (d) a pirate

▼ Answer

(b) hard skin

Question 4.

The word 'spikes' means

- (a) nails
- (b) thorns
- (c) sharp pointed object
- (d) none

▼ Answer

(c) sharp pointed object

