

- I. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below.

Tigers are found in India and most of the countries of South East Asia. They live in forests and grassy plains where there are plenty of other animals for them to hunt for food. If you see a tiger in the zoo, you may think its coat is brightly coloured and easily seen, but in the jungles and grasslands where it lives, a tiger is hard to see. The sunlight shining through leaves and branches makes patches of bright light and shadow. A tiger's golden coloured coat, with its dark stripes, mixes so well into these patches of sunlight and shadows that it is not easily seen. When it walks through the long forest grass, it is also hard to see, for its hair is the same colour as the blades of yellowish grass and patches of deep shadow.

This camouflage, as we call it, is very important because tigers are hunters and catch other animals for their food. If the animals could see a tiger coming, they would quickly escape. It has strong sharp teeth which it uses for seizing and eating the animals, it catches. A tiger's chief food is deer, wild pigs, monkeys and other small animals, but it will also kill cows. A tiger is also very strong and if it kills a deer or a cow it will often drag the dead animals several yards to the shelter of some bushes where it can eat its meal in peace. Tigers usually hunt and eat at night, and during day time they lie resting hidden in the long grass. Tigers do not like great heat and when it is very hot, they find a resting place by a river or in some wet ground.

Answer the following questions:

- a. Besides India, where are tigers also found?
- b. Why do tigers live in forests and grass plains?
- c. What happens when sunlight comes through leaves and branches in the jungles?
- d. Why does the tiger drag the animals it has killed, to the shelter of bushes?
- e. Complete the following statements:
 - (i) The tiger uses its strong, sharp teeth _____
 - (ii) It is hard to see a tiger in the long forest grass because _____.

II. Read the given poem carefully.

The Muddle Head

I knew a man from Petushkee,
As muddle-headed as could be
He always got mixed up with clothes;
He wore his mittens on his toes,
Forgot his collar in his haste,
And tied his tie around his waist
What a muddle-head was he,
That man who lived in Petushkee!

They told him as he went about, 'you've got your coat on inside out'.
And when they saw his hat, they said: 'You've put a sauce pan on your
head!. What a muddle-head was he, that man who lived in Petushkee!

At lunch, he scratched a piece of bread,
And spread some butter on his head,
He put his walking stick to bed,
And he stood in the rack instead.
What a muddle-head was he,
That man who lived in Petushkee!

On the basis of your reading of the above poem complete the summary
given below:

The poem is about a man from (a) _____. He is a confused man.
He wears his (b) _____ on his toes. He forgets his (c)
_____ in his haste. He put on his coat (d) _____. He ties
his tie around his (e) _____. Instead of hat, he wears a (f)
_____ on his head. At lunch he scratches his (g) _____ and
spread butter on his (h) _____. He himself stands in the (i)
_____ and put his (j) _____ to bed.

