

# English Marigold Textbook - Class 5th (Units 1 to 5)

## Short Questions and Answers (15 per Unit)

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### Unit 1: Ice-Cream Man & Wonderful Waste!

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	In which season is ice-cream most popular?	Ice-cream is most popular in the <b>summer</b> season.
2.	Who feels joyful on seeing the Ice-cream Man?	The <b>children</b> feel joyful on seeing the Ice-cream Man.
3.	Name two flavours of ice-cream mentioned.	<b>Vanilla, chocolate, and strawberry</b> are the flavours mentioned.
4.	What is the ice-cream cart compared to in the poem?	The ice-cream cart is compared to a <b>flower-bed</b> .
5.	What are the two things the Ice-cream Man is selling?	He is selling <b>ice-cream</b> and <b>chilled drinks</b> (frosty-fizz).
6.	What preparations were being made in the palace?	Preparations for a <b>grand feast</b> were being made.
7.	Why did the Maharaja go into the kitchen?	He went to <b>inspect</b> the dishes being prepared for the feast.
8.	What did the cook plan to do with the vegetable scraps?	The cook planned to <b>throw away</b> the vegetable scraps.
9.	What new dish did the cook make?	The cook made a new dish called <b>Avial</b> .
10.	What ingredient did the cook add to give the dish a good colour?	He poured a few spoonfuls of <b>coconut oil</b> .
11.	What does the name 'Avial' mean?	Avial became the name of a famous dish in <b>Kerala</b> .
12.	Where was Rip Van Winkle's village situated?	The village was situated at the <b>foothills of the Kaatskill mountains</b> .
13.	Who was Rip Van Winkle's constant companion?	His dog, <b>Wolf</b> , was his constant companion.
14.	Why did the children of the village love Rip?	They loved him because he <b>played with them</b> and told them stories.
15.	What did the Maharaja tell the cook to do with the scraps?	He told the cook to find a way to <b>use the vegetable scraps</b> instead of throwing them away.

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### Unit 2: Teamwork & Flying Together

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	What is the main idea of the poem 'Teamwork'?	The poem highlights the <b>importance of working together</b> to achieve a goal.
2.	What can we share in teamwork?	<b>Joy</b> and success can be shared in teamwork.

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3.	What happens when 'nobody passes the baton'?	The <b>race can't be run</b> or completed.
4.	Where did the geese live?	The geese lived in the leafy branches of a <b>tall tree</b> in a forest.
5.	Who was part of the flock of geese?	A <b>wise old bird</b> was part of the flock.
6.	What did the wise old bird see at the base of the tree?	He saw a <b>small creeper</b> at the base of the tree.
7.	Why did the old bird advise the other birds to destroy the creeper?	He knew it would grow big and strong, helping a <b>hunter climb</b> the tree.
8.	Did the young geese listen to the old bird?	<b>No</b> , they did not listen and ignored the advice.
9.	How did the hunter climb the tree?	The hunter climbed the tree with the help of the <b>strong creeper</b> .
10.	Why did the geese cry "Help! Help!"?	They cried out because they were <b>trapped in the hunter's net</b> .
11.	What did the wise old bird tell the trapped geese to do?	He told them to <b>pretend to be dead</b> .
12.	What did the hunter do when he thought the geese were dead?	He began to <b>throw the geese out of the net</b> one by one.
13.	How did the geese finally escape?	They <b>flew away all at once</b> when the hunter threw the last one down.
14.	What is the moral of 'Flying Together'?	The moral is the <b>importance of unity</b> and listening to elders.
15.	What happens when we work alone?	Our <b>dream doesn't work</b> unless we coordinate with others.

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### Unit 3: My Shadow & Robinson Crusoe Discovers a Footprint

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	What is the only thing the child's shadow does not know how to play?	The shadow does not know how to play <b>at all</b> .
2.	What is the funniest thing about the shadow?	The funniest thing is the way the shadow <b>likes to grow</b> .
3.	When is the shadow not seen at all?	The shadow is not seen when the <b>sun is absent</b> .
4.	When is the shadow tallest?	The shadow is tallest in the <b>morning</b> (when the sun is low).
5.	Who is the poet of the poem 'My Shadow'?	The poet is <b>Robert Louis Stevenson</b> .
6.	Where was Robinson Crusoe?	He was <b>alone on an island</b> .
7.	What did Robinson Crusoe discover on the sand?	He discovered the <b>footprint</b> of a man.
8.	What made Robinson Crusoe think it was a footprint?	It had the distinct shape of a foot— <b>toes, heel, every part of a foot</b> .

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9.	Why was Robinson Crusoe afraid?	He was afraid because it proved that <b>someone else lived on the island</b> .
10.	Why was Crusoe sure it was not his footprint?	It was <b>larger</b> than his own, and he hadn't been to that part of the beach recently.
11.	What did Robinson Crusoe mistake bushes and trees for?	He mistook them for a <b>man following him</b> .
12.	Why did Robinson pray?	He prayed for <b>protection</b> because he feared savages might attack him.
13.	What did he decide to check the next day?	He decided to go back and <b>check the footprint</b> again.
14.	What did he find when he went back to the sea?	He found <b>no other footprint</b> or sign of anyone.
15.	What did Crusoe's fear finally lead him to do?	His fear made him run back to his <b>cave for safety</b> .

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## Unit 4: Crying & My Elder Brother

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	What does the poet say about crying?	He says you should <b>cry till your pillow is soaked</b> and then jump in the shower.
2.	What should you do after a good cry?	You should <b>open your window</b> and say, "Ha, ha!"
3.	Who is the poet of the poem 'Crying'?	The poet is <b>Galway Kinnell</b> .
4.	What did Munna (the younger brother) like to do all day?	Munna liked to <b>play games</b> like marbles, kabaddi, and flying kites.
5.	What did Bhaiya (the elder brother) do all day?	Bhaiya was involved in <b>studying</b> all day.
6.	How many years older was Bhaiya than Munna?	Bhaiya was <b>five years older</b> than Munna.
7.	In which class was Bhaiya studying?	Bhaiya was studying in <b>Class Five</b> .
8.	What subject did Bhaiya struggle with the most?	He struggled with <b>English</b> and the geometry part of Mathematics.
9.	Why was Munna not happy with the timetable?	The timetable made by Bhaiya <b>had no time for play</b> .
10.	What game were both brothers playing when Munna scored high marks?	They were playing a game of <b>marbles</b> .
11.	How did Munna feel when his brother scolded him for wasting time?	He felt <b>disappointed</b> or sad.
12.	What was Bhaiya's main argument for having to study hard?	He said that one must <b>build a strong foundation</b> by studying hard.
13.	What did Bhaiya compare their father's income to?	He compared their father's income to <b>hard-earned money</b> .
14.	What happens to Bhaiya in the end?	He <b>fails</b> his exams (though he scores fewer marks than Munna, which Munna does not admit).
15.	What activity were Munna and Bhaiya doing when Bhaiya finally loosened up a little?	They were <b>flying a kite</b> on the roof.

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## Unit 5: Rip Van Winkle

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	What kind of person was Rip Van Winkle?	He was a <b>kind, good-natured</b> , but very <b>lazy</b> man.
2.	What was Rip's greatest fault?	His greatest fault was his <b>laziness</b> .
3.	What was the name of Rip's dog?	The name of his dog was <b>Wolf</b> .
4.	What did Rip often do instead of working on his farm?	He would <b>idle away his time</b> fishing, hunting, and telling stories.
5.	Why did Rip go up the Kaatskill mountains?	He went up to <b>escape his wife's nagging</b> and to hunt.
6.	Who did Rip meet high up on the mountain?	He met a <b>short, peculiar old man</b> carrying a heavy barrel.
7.	What were the strange men on the mountain playing?	They were playing a game called <b>ninepins</b> .
8.	What was strange about the men's faces and their game?	Their faces were <b>serious</b> and the game was played in <b>total silence</b> .
9.	What happened after Rip drank the contents of the barrel?	He <b>fell into a deep sleep</b> .
10.	How long did Rip sleep on the mountain?	Rip slept for <b>twenty years</b> .
11.	What was the first change Rip noticed when he woke up?	His <b>beard</b> had grown a foot long and was <b>white</b> .
12.	When Rip came back to his village, what did the villagers stare at?	They stared at his <b>long white beard</b> and his <b>old clothes</b> .
13.	Why was the village different when Rip returned?	The people were <b>different</b> , and everything looked <b>new</b> and <b>changed</b> .
14.	Who finally recognised Rip?	An <b>old woman</b> , who was his former neighbour, recognised him.
15.	What did Rip learn had changed while he was asleep?	He learned that the <b>country had become independent</b> (from King George III to General Washington) and his <b>wife was dead</b> .

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1.	Ice-cream is popular in the cold winter season.	<b>False</b>
2.	The ice-cream cart is compared to a flower bed in the poem.	<b>True</b>
3.	The Ice-cream Man is selling both ice-cream and hot tea.	<b>False</b>
4.	The Maharaja was preparing for a wedding feast in the palace.	<b>False</b>
5.	The cook initially planned to throw away the vegetable scraps.	<b>True</b>

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6.	The cook used the vegetable scraps to invent a new dish called Sambar.	<b>False</b>
7.	The new dish, Avial, became famous all over Kerala.	<b>True</b>
8.	The Maharaja was angry when he saw the vegetable scraps in the kitchen.	<b>True</b>
9.	The children cluster around the ice-cream man like honey-bees.	<b>True</b>
10.	Groundnut, wood, and broken bangles are all ingredients of Avial.	<b>False</b>

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## Unit 2: Teamwork & Flying Together

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	The poem 'Teamwork' suggests that joy is complete when shared.	<b>True</b>
2.	In a relay race, the goal is to run without passing the baton.	<b>False</b>
3.	A flock of wild geese lived on the ground in a forest.	<b>False</b>
4.	The wise old bird warned the others to destroy the creeper when it was young and tender.	<b>True</b>
5.	The younger geese immediately followed the wise old bird's advice.	<b>False</b>
6.	The hunter climbed the tree with the help of a ladder.	<b>False</b>
7.	The geese cried 'Help! Help!' because they were hungry.	<b>False</b>
8.	The wise old bird's plan was for all the geese to pretend to be dead.	<b>True</b>
9.	The hunter thought the dead birds were useless and threw them to the ground.	<b>True</b>
10.	The moral of 'Flying Together' is that it is important to always be quiet.	<b>False</b>

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## Unit 3: My Shadow & Robinson Crusoe Discovers a Footprint

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	The speaker's shadow always remains the same height.	<b>False</b>
2.	The shadow sometimes jumps into bed before the speaker does.	<b>True</b>
3.	The speaker finds the way the shadow grows to be the funniest thing.	<b>True</b>
4.	Robinson Crusoe was alone on a ship at sea.	<b>False</b>
5.	Crusoe discovered the clear print of a human hand on the sand.	<b>False</b>
6.	Crusoe was sure the print was not his because it was much larger than his foot.	<b>True</b>
7.	Crusoe was very happy to see the footprint as it meant he was not alone.	<b>False</b>
8.	He mistook bushes and trees for a man following him due to his fear.	<b>True</b>
9.	Crusoe's fear made him run back to his cave for safety.	<b>True</b>
10.	The shadow is sometimes stuck to the ground like an elastic ball.	<b>True</b>

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## Unit 4: Crying & My Elder Brother

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	The poet suggests crying fully, until your pillow is soaked.	<b>True</b>
2.	After a good cry, you should shut your window and hide.	<b>False</b>
3.	Munna, the younger brother, enjoyed playing marbles and flying kites.	<b>True</b>
4.	Bhaiya, the elder brother, was studying in the same class as Munna.	<b>False</b>
5.	Bhaiya was strict with Munna because he hated him and wanted him to fail.	<b>False</b>
6.	Bhaiya believed that a strong foundation is necessary for a strong building.	<b>True</b>
7.	Munna did not like the timetable because it had too much playtime.	<b>False</b>
8.	Bhaiya advised Munna to respect their father's hard-earned money.	<b>True</b>
9.	In the final results, Munna did well in his exams, but Bhaiya failed.	<b>True</b>
10.	At the end of the play, Bhaiya and Munna went out to play chess.	<b>False</b>

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## Unit 5: Rip Van Winkle & The Lazy Frog

Q. No.	Question	Answer
1.	Rip Van Winkle was known for being a very hardworking man.	<b>False</b>
2.	Rip's faithful dog was named Tiger.	<b>False</b>
3.	Rip went up the mountain to help his neighbour with farming.	<b>False</b>
4.	The men Rip met on the mountain were playing a game silently with serious faces.	<b>True</b>
5.	Rip was awake for ten years on the mountain before going home.	<b>False</b>
6.	When Rip woke up, he discovered his beard had turned long and white.	<b>True</b>
7.	Rip's old house and the village looked completely unchanged when he returned.	<b>False</b>
8.	The first person to recognize Rip in the village was his son.	<b>False</b>
9.	The poem 'The Lazy Frog' suggests that the frog is very active and helpful.	<b>False</b>
10.	Rip learned that a new government had been formed in the country while he was asleep.	<b>True</b>