

English (New Book) - ICOM Part 1 English Chapter 27 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. How many young ones are to be fed?

Ans 1: The sparrow mother wants to feed her ten young ones. But she has got only one grain in her beak. She cannot feed one grain to ten young ones.

Q2. How does the mother sparrow solace her young ones.

Ans 1: The mother sparrow solace her young ones by splitting the grain of millet into tiny pieces and feeding them one-by-one.

Q3. What is the message of the poem "The feed"?

Ans 1: This is a symbolic poem. The grain of millet stands for resources of the world. The young ones of the sparrow are an emblem of hunger. This poem teaches us that we should not produce weapons but more and more food to save humanity from hunger.

Q4. Explain the last three lines of the poem with reference to the context

Ans 1:
The poet suggests that the world countries should produce grains instead of weapons. They should alleviate hunger. The grain production is too small to fulfil the needs of the population.

Q5. Which line in the first stanza tells us that the young ones have no feathers?

Ans 1:
The line "From head to toe they are beaks" tells us so. It means that their tiny bodies hide behind their open beaks when they cry for food. It shows that they have not grown feathers yet.

Q6. Why is mother sparrow unable to feed her young ones?

Ans 1: The sparrow holds a grain of millet in her beak. One grain is to be fed to ten young ones. That is why, mother sparrow is unable to feed them all at a time.

Q7. "One grain to be fed to the ten young ones." What does the line mean?

Ans 1: The line means that the mother sparrow has a shortage of food. She has ten young children and only one grain to feed them. Now she is going to divide the grain among ten of them.

Q8. What has the poet described in the poem "The feed"?

Ans 1: The poet described the love of a mother sparrow for her young ones. He also advises man to share the sorrows and food to support the lives of people.

Q9. What does the sparrow hold in her beak?

Ans 1:
She holds a grain of millet. She wants to feed her young ones. But she cannot feed one grain to ten young ones. She cannot split it even.

Q10. Why is mother sparrow holding a millet in her beak.

Ans 1: The mother sparrow has come to feed her children with a grain of millet, that's why she is holding the millet in her beak.
