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Reading Comprehension

1. Read the passage and answer the questions that follows:

Of all the trees of southern Asia, the banyan is unique , not only for the manner of its growth, but for the area of shade it provides from the burning sun. Its close relationship with man has evolved over the years to make the banyan a popular meeting place, a focal point of worship and a source of practical materials for commerce.

Known as the ‘strangler fig’ because of its unusual manner of growth, the banyan is an air plant that has its birth in the branches of a host tree and lives on airborne moisture and nutrients. Banyan seeds are deposited by birds, bats or monkeys in the rich soil collected in the cervices of host tree branches.

As the banyan grows, it sends aerial roots down the trunk of the supporting tree. In time, the roots that reach the ground choke the host tree by preventing its trunk from enlarging. The two best known species of banyan are: The Indian , one of the world’s largest tropical trees; and the Chinese , a smaller species with fewer aerial roots.

i) What two ways which make banyan tree unique?

ii) How is the banyan closely connected with man? Give one reason.

iii) Why is the banyan called ‘the strangler fig’?

iv) Which are the two best known species of banyan?

2. Read the passage and answer the questions that follows:

The drink of Asia for hundred of years, Tea , is believed to have been brought to Europe by the Dutch. Today, from the remotest corner of Ladakh to Buckingham Palace, tea is synonymous with cheer.

It is rightly said there will be no disagreement on a perfect cup of tea. Though for tea drinkers the brew is addictive, the preferred method of preparation and taste differs from person to person and region to region.

Today many varieties of tea brands are available in the market. An innovation is the tea-bag that is easy,, quick and less messy than traditional way of brewing tea. Green tea is popular in China and the Far East. In Japan, the tea ceremony is the traditional way of greeting guests and is a social occasion. Unlike the tea we are familiar with, green tea is not taken with sugar or milk. It is an olive-coloured liquid served in porcelain cups. In Morocco, green tea is infused with freshly plucked mint.

Some scientist believe tea prevents tooth decay because it is a rich source of fluoride. Tea is also a folk remedy for stomach upsets , flu and diarrhoea. Research suggests that drinking tea reduces the risk of heart diseases and lowers cholesterol level in the blood. A welcome thought for the tea drinkers.

i) Why is tea good for health?

ii) What does tea prevents and what does it cure?

iii) How does the people of Morocco and Japan use green tea?

iv) For which ailment do the villagers use tea?

v) Find words in the above passage which mean the same as:

a) Far away from cities(Para 1)_____

b) To ensure it does not happen(Para4)_____