

1) The hermit received none but -

- a) emperors
- b) common folk
- c) kings
- d) the Tsar

Ans-b) common folk .

2) The hermit was -

- a) tall and weak
- b) short and weak
- c) frail and strong
- d) frail and weak

Ans- d) frail and weak .

3) The bearded man was wounded by -

- a) the Tsar's son
- b) the Tsar's enemy
- c) the Tsar's himself
- d) the Tsar's bodyguard

Ans- d) the Tsar's bodyguard .

4) The Tsar asked the hermit -

- a) one question
- b) two questions
- c) four questions
- d) three question

Ans - d) three questions .

5) The first question is about the right-

- a) man
- b) thing
- c) time
- d) face

Ans- c) time .

6) The second question was... "Who were the"-

- a) good rulers
- b) good workers
- c) right people
- d) right friends

Ans- c) right people .

7) The third question pertains to -

- a) most important work
- b) highest honour
- c) greatest evil
- d) utmost bravery

Ans - a) most important work .

8) The main character of this story is -

- a) the Tsar
- b) the wounded man
- c) the hermit
- d) the author

Ans- a) the Tsar .

9) The Tsar was -

- a) The name of the English ruler
- b) The name of a Sultan
- c) The title of the erstwhile Russian Emperor or king
- d) The title of an Indian Raja

Ans- c) The title of the erstwhile Russian Emperor or king .

10) The story mostly takes place in-

- a) The King's palace
- b) the woods
- c) the hermit's hut
- d) the enemy territory

Ans- c) the hermit's hut .

Q. What was the first question of Tsar? What was the reply from the learned men of the Kingdom?

Ans:-The Tsar wanted to know three questions from the learned men of his kingdom to get success. The first question was ‘What was the right time for every action’.

The Tsar announced throughout his kingdom it. All the learned men came to the Tsar to answer his questions. Some said, one must draw up in advance a table of days, months and year. Some said, one should attend the works that were coming and then do what was the most needed. Some said that the Tsar should engage a council. The councillor would help him to fix proper time. Some said that it was impossible to know the right time for a particular man. Some said that only magicians knew the right time for every action. As the answers were different, Tsar agreed with none.

Q. What were the three questions of the Tsar? What reply did he get from the hermit?

Ans:-The Tsar wanted to know the reply of three questions to succeed in life. Firstly, he wanted to know the right time for every action. Secondly, he wanted to know the most important people for him, and finally he wanted to know the most important work for him.

In order to find proper reply, the Tsar went to a hermit where the hermit told him that the right time for every action is now. The most important person is one with whom one is now, and the most important occupation is to do the person good.

Q. What was the first question of the Tsar? Discuss the answer which he got from the hermit?

Ans:-The Tsar wanted to know the answer of three questions to get success. The first question was – What was the right time to begin anything. He did not get satisfactory reply to this question from the learned men of his kingdom. So he went to a hermit, noted for his wisdom. The hermit told him that the best time to begin anything is – ‘Now’ because it is the only time when one has power.

Q. “Forgive me” said the bearded man. Why did the man ask for the Tsar’s forgiveness? Explain.

Ans:-The bearded man was the enemy of the Tsar who swore to revenge on the Tsar because he had executed his brother and seized his property. The man came to know that the Tsar had gone alone to visit the hermit, and he resolved to kill the Tsar on his way back. But day passed and the Tsar did not return. So the man came out of his ambush and came upon the Tsar's bodyguard who recognized him and wounded him. The man somehow escaped from them and reached to the Tsar. The Tsar bandaged his wounds and saved his life. So the man begged an apology from the Tsar.

Q. "You have already been answered." Who said this and to whom? Explain the line.

Ans:-The above quoted line was said by the hermit to the Tsar. Explaining his sentence, the hermit tells the Tsar that if he had not pitied his weakness and had not dug those two beds for him and returned his way back that bearded man would have attacked him, and he would have repented of not having stayed with him. So, for the Tsar the most important time was when he was digging the beds; and the hermit was the most important man; and to do him good was his most important business.