

Comprehension

When I was growing up in Mussourie, almost all our neighbors kept pet parrots.

Sometimes, they would learn to talk. They would say things like , "Study child, study" or "Don't be greedy!" But our parrot refused to talk. He had been bought by Aunt Ruby from a bird catcher . She tried to teach him to talk. But to no avail. The parrot disliked her.

I was given the responsibility of feeding the parrot. He was quite happy to take green chilies , pieces of papaya, and ripe tomatoes from my hand. One afternoon by mistake, I left the cage door open. Seconds later, the bird flew away. Aunt Ruby was upset. I thought that we would never see the parrot again. A few days later, I saw the bird sitting on the veranda railing and looking at me.

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions:

l.a) Would you like to keep a parrot as a pet?
List two things you would teach it.

b)Name the hill station mentioned in the passage

c)Should you keep a bird or an animal in a cage? State reasons to justify your answer.

d)Make a sentence with :

i)responsibility -

ii)veranda--

e)State the kind of verbs:

i)bought--

ii)refused--

f)Give one word for--

i)having an excessive desire or appetite for food-

g) Choose the correct option:

1. The meaning of the word 'no avail'---

i) no use

ii) available

iii) valuable

2) The parrot liked

i) vegetables pancakes

ii) green chilies, ripe tomatoes

iii) potatoes and rice