Chap 4: **Test**

Topic: **THE WIZARD OF OZ (THE LION)**

FICTION Comprehension Passage [25 marks]

Read the following text carefully and then answer the questions below.

The tree-bridge

The travellers came to another ditch. This one was too wide for the Lion to jump across. They sat down to think what they could do.

'Look at that tree, standing close to the ditch,' said the Scarecrow. 'If the Tin Woodman can chop it down, the top will reach the other side. We can use the tree as a bridge. We can walk over quite easily.'

The Woodman started work at once. Soon the big tree fell across the ditch. Its top branches just reached the other side.

They were starting to cross this strange bridge when they heard a noise. They turned round to look. They saw two terrible beasts running towards them.

'Kalidahs!' said the Cowardly Lion. He looked very frightened.

'Quick,' cried the Scarecrow. 'Let us cross over.'

Dorothy went first across the tree-bridge, holding Toto in her arms. The Tin Woodman followed. The Scarecrow came next.

The Lion was afraid, but he stayed where he was. He turned and roared at the Kalidahs. His roar was so loud and terrible that Dorothy screamed and the Scarecrow fell over. Even the Kalidahs stopped. They looked at the Cowardly Lion in surprise, but only for a minute. After that they rushed forward again. Then the Lion crossed over the tree-bridge as fast as he could go. The Kalidahs began to follow.

Frightened

'Be quick,' said the Scarecrow, as the Lion came across. Then the Scarecrow asked the Woodman to chop away the branches that rested on their side of the ditch. The Tin Woodman began to use his axe at once. The two Kalidahs came running along the tree-bridge. They got closer and closer. The Tin Woodman chopped harder and harder. Just in time the tree fell down into the great, deep ditch. The terrible beasts fell with it. They were both killed on the sharp rocks at the bottom.

'Those beasts frightened me so much that my heart is beating very fast,' said the Cowardly Lion.

'I wish I could feel my heart beating,' said the Tin Woodman, sadly.

Q1**.** Explain how the Scarecrow's suggestion helped the travellers overcome the difficulty of crossing the ditch. [/1]

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Q2. Identify a word from the passage that means *moved forward very quickly*. [/1]

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Q3. Rewrite the following sentence in the **simple past tense.** [/1]

The Tin Woodman chops down the tree.

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Q4. Complete the sentence using the **past continuous tense**. [/1]

The Tin Woodman _____ (chop) the tree when the travelers heard a noise.

Q5. Combine the following sentences using the correct **connective.** [/1]

The Lion was frightened. He faced the Kalidahs bravely.

Q6. Explain why the Scarecrow instructed the Tin Woodman to chop away the branches only after the Lion had crossed the bridge. [/1]

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Q7. Rewrite the following sentence using a **contraction**. [/1]

The Lion could not hide his fear from the travelers.

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Q8. Complete the sentence using the **Simple Present** form of the verb given in brackets.

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The Tin Woodman _____ his axe to cut down trees. (use)

Q9. Read the situations and write the most suitable **idiom** for each. [/3]

a. The Scarecrow accidentally revealed the travellers' secret plan before they were ready to share it.

b. Dorothy asked the Tin Woodman to wait patiently before cutting the branches.

c. The travellers felt extremely delighted after escaping the dangerous Kalidahs.

Q10. Explain how the Tin Woodman's quick action contributed to the safety of the travellers.

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Q11. Select the proverb that best represents the cooperation demonstrated by the travellers.
Give one reason for your answer [1+1]

A. There's no place like home.

B. Sharing is caring.

C. Better late than never.

Reason:_____

Q12. Identify the **type of sentence**. Write Statement, Question, Command or Exclamation.

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a. The Tin Woodman chopped the branches carefully.

b. How terrifying the Kalidahs looked!

c. Why did the Lion remain behind?

d. Cross the bridge without delay.

Q13. Identify the complete **noun phrase** in the following sentence [/1]

The two terrible beasts ran towards the travelers.

Q14. Complete the sentences using the correct **phrasal verbs** from the brackets. [/2]

a. The Lion refused to _____ even when he was frightened. (give up / take off)

b. The Kalidahs wanted to _____ from the travellers. (run away / take off)

Q15. Identify the example of **onomatopoeia** from the following options. [/1]

a) Roared

b) Branches

c) Bridge

Q16. Identify the pair of words that demonstrates **alliteration** in the passage. [/1]

a) Two beasts

b) Sharp rocks

c) Deep ditch

Q17. What does the tree-bridge **symbolize** in the passage? [/1]

a) The importance of teamwork and finding solutions to difficulties.

b) The danger of travelling through forests.

c) The strength of the Kalidahs.

Q18. Why did the Cowardly Lion remain behind while the other travellers crossed the tree-bridge? [/1]

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ANSWER KEY (Chapter 4-The Lion)

he Scarecrow suggested cutting down a tree and using it as a bridge to cross the ditch.

Q2. Rushed

Q3. The Tin Woodman chopped down the tree.

Q4. Was chopping

Q5. Although the Lion was frightened, he faced the Kalidahs bravely. / The Lion was frightened but he faced the Kalidahs bravely.

Q6. He wanted the Lion to cross safely before destroying the bridge to stop the Kalidahs.

Q7. The Lion couldn't hide his fear from the travellers.

Q8. Uses

Q9.
a. Spill the beans.

b. Hold your horses.

c. On cloud nine.

Q10. He quickly chopped away the branches, causing the tree to fall into the ditch with the Kalidahs on it.

Q11. B. Sharing is caring.

Reason: The travellers worked together and helped one another to overcome the difficulty.

Q12.
a. Statement

b. Exclamation

c. Question

d. Command

Q13. The two terrible beasts.

Q14.
a. Give up

b. Run away

Q15. a) Roared

Q16. c) Deep ditch

Q17. a) The importance of teamwork and finding solutions to difficulties.

Q18. The Lion was frightened by the Kalidahs, so he stayed behind to face them while the others crossed the bridge.