

A. Answer these questions.

1. What do we learn about the Garo Tribe from this tale?

Ans. From this tale we learn that the Garo tribe is from Assam. They call themselves Achik-mande meaning the men of the hills. They believe that they are from Tibet.

2. What gifts did the bride receive from her mother and which was the most prized one?

Ans. The bride received garments made of the finest silk, ornaments made of gold and studded with rubies and emeralds and a beautiful wrap embroidered with a thousand flowers in all colours of the rainbow.

The most prized one was the silk wrap.

3. Describe the most beautiful gift the bride received. What was the bride's reaction on seeing it?

Ans. The bride had received a beautiful wrap embroidered with a thousand flowers in all colours of the rainbow. When she saw the wrap she stretched out her hands eagerly wanting to touch it.

4. What story did the bride's mother narrate? Why?

Ans. The bride's mother said that this wrap was gifted to her great-grandmother by a goddess on their wedding day. This wrap had been handed by mother to daughter. But it was no ordinary wrap. Anyone who touched the wrap without first chanting the spell would meet a great disaster.

5. What made the girl rush away leaving the wrap out in the open?

Ans. When she was airing the wrap, she remembered that her husband had asked for a

dish of crabs for his midday meal. So she set off to a nearby stream to catch some crabs.

6. What did the girl tell her husband and why?

Ans. The girl told her husband to keep an eye on the wrap and cautioned him not to touch the wrap even if it rained heavily because the husband did not know the secret of the magic wrap.

7. Why did the man get worried and what did he do ?

Ans. The man got worried because he was scared that the wrap would get spoiled when the rain turned to hail. Unless he did something about it quickly the wrap would be ruined. Forgetting all about the warning, he rushed out and grabbed the wrap to whisk it away indoors.

B. Answer the following questions with reference to the context.

1.They loved their home.

a. Who were they?

Ans.They were the chief of the Garo tribe and his wife.

b. Why did they love their home ?

Ans. They loved their home because it was made from the sturdiest bamboo and the finest cane matting. It was decorated beautifully with silk carpets and copper lamps.

c. Whom or what did they love the most and why?

Ans. They loved their daughter the most because she was their only child.

C.Give one antonym and one synonym for each of the following words.

Words.

Synonym

Antonym

1.precious.	valuable	worthless
2.ordinary	unremarkable	unusual
3.admired	praise	despise
4.inside	within	outside
5. carefully	attentively	carelessly
6. tender	gentle	harsh
7. remembered	recalled	forgot
8. picked	chose	rejected
9.torrent	flood	trickle
10.spoiling	wasting	preserving