

The great bell class VII chapter 3

A. Answer these questions.

1. Why did Yung-lo summon Kwan-yu?

A. Yung-lo summoned Kwan-yu to make a bell for the empty bell tower to announce the time of the day loudly, which should ring clear and deep around a thirty three mile radius.

2. What expertise did Kwan-yu have?

A. Kwan-yu had the expertise of skillfully moulding the imperial canon.

3. Why was Kwan-yu hesitant at first to take up the task?

A. Kwan-yu was hesitant to take up the task at first, as the two tasks of moulding the imperial canon and creating a bell with gold, silver and brass were totally different.

4. Why did Kwan-yu fail in the first attempt?

A. Kwan-yu failed in the first attempt because the earthen casting had broken during the making of the bell and also silver, gold and brass would not melt together.

5. How did the Emperor react after the first failure?

A. The emperor reacted mercifully after the first failure and gave Kwan-yu another chance to create the bell.

6. Why was Kwan-yu given a third chance?

A. Kwan-yu was given a third chance by the emperor, because after the failure of the second attempt, Kwan-yu cried bitterly and fainted which touched the hearts of the people present there.

7. What answer did the astrologer give Ko-ai?

A. The astrologer told Ko-ai that for her father to succeed to do the impossible with gold, silver and brass, the blood of a maiden had to be mingled with the molten metals.

8. How was the final attempt a grand success?

A. The final attempt was a grand success because Ko-ai's thoughts and intentions of sacrificing her life were as precious as the metals melting in the cauldron.

B. Answer these questions with reference to the context.

1. The happy ruler fell for this idea and wanted to know who in the kingdom was well-versed both in casting metal and astronomy.

a. Who was the happy ruler?

A. Yung-lo

b. What idea did he fall for?

A. a bell to announce the time

c. Whom was he looking for?

A. someone who was well versed both in casting and astronomy

2. The first time, I was sorry for you and willing to forget, but now that sorrow has turned into anger-yes, the anger of heaven itself is upon you.

a. Who is the speaker?

A. the emperor

b. What had happened the first time?

A. failure

c. Why is he angry now?

A. creating the bell failed again

3. The feathered messenger flew out of her room.

a. Who was the messenger?

A. a little bird

b. What message did it convey?

A. to consult the famous astrologer

c. To whom was the message conveyed?

A. to Ko-ai

C. Think and answer.

1. Any work done with sincerity and dedication will reap benefits and will be successful. Elaborate with reference from the story. (homework)

A.

2. 'Mere reading and advice cannot produce skill. True skill can come only from years of experience and practice.' Support this statement with examples from your personal experience. (homework)

A.

3. If only all these peoples, great and small, the gold and the silver and the baser elements, would unite, then would this land be really worthy of the name of the Middle Kingdom!' How does this experience serve as an important lesson about remaining united?

A. This experience serves as an important lesson about being united in the current times that we are facing a pandemic. If we don't stand united at this time of the crisis, we could pay a bigger price.

A. State whether the -ing forms given in these sentences are participles (P) or gerunds (G).

1. Hearing the car horn, the driver started shouting. G

2. A torn jacket is soon mended, but hard words bruise the heart of a child.P

3. The little girl ruined the painting by spilling water on it. P

4. The children saw a musketeer standing on his head. P

5. Shaking their hands, the two friends greeted each other. P

6. Hunting animals is a crime. G

7. Jumping over the fence, the thief escaped. G

B. Fill in the blanks using the non-finite forms of verbs in the brackets. Write down if they are infinitives, gerunds or participles.

1. The man loved Pampering (pamper) his obedient dog. Gerund

2. The dog began to bark (bark) when he saw a thief entering the house. infinitives

3. The lazy student was not willing to change (will, change) his routine. infinitives

4. It was (be) a very rainy day. We played indoors.

5. Singing (sing) is his favourite pastime. Gerund

B. Listen to the debate on the topic 'Social networking sites are a sophisticated means of stalking people'. Then, fill in the blanks with the correct words.

1. We are living a dual life.

2. Twenty-six per cent of those stalked are also being stalked.

3. Alexis Bowater said that stalking is an old crime in a new technological world.

4. Cyberstalking is a form of social cyberbullying.

5. Stalkers send threats or abusive emails.