



ENGLISH

**BOOKS - FULL MARKS ENGLISH
(HINGLISH)**

THE COMET-I

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Textbook

Questions

Solved

Comprehension Check

1. Why does Indrani Debi dislike Duttada's 'hobnobbing' with Dibya?



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2. She is complaining and smiling. Why is she smiling?



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3. (i) What was Duttada's secret ambition?

(ii) What did he do to achieve it?



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4. What is the difference between a planet and a comet, as given in the story?



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5. Why was Duttada hopeful that he would discover a new comet soon?



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6. Why does Duttada say _"I almost wish I had not discovered this comet".



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7. Why is his wife unhappy about the discovery?



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8. How did Sir John get hold of James' original manuscript?



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9. What is the important point the paper makes?



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10. Why does Sir John say that James' paper should not be published?



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11. What do the two men finally decide to do?



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12. "For a moment James wondered if he had done his sums right" . Why was James doubtful about his sums and calculations ?



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13. What did the scientists at the conference say about James's 'sums' ?



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14. Immediate action was needed, the scientists decided. Give one one example each of 'Defensie' and 'offensive' action mentioned in the text.



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15. "I am not buying any Christmas presents till December 15" . What did Sir John mean by that ?



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16. What is Duttada expected to do on his return from London ?



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17. What is his reaction to the proposal ?



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18. (i) What does 'Project Light Brigade' refer to ?

(ii) What does Sir John say about the Project in his letter to Duttada in October ?



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19. Did Sir John Buy Christmas present on December 15 ? How did Duttada get to know about it ?



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20. Why, according to Indrani Debi, had the comet not been disastrous ? Do you agree with her ?



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21. Is Duttada's general outlook

(i) rational ?

(ii) moral ?

(iii) traditional ?

Choose the right word. Say why you think it right.



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Additional Questions Solved | Short Answer Type Questions

1. What did Indrani Debi think about Duttada's telescope?



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2. What news was published in the Ananda Bazaar Patrika two days later?

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3. What did the Indian Institute of Astrophysics (IIA) do after getting the information about the discovery of the new comet?

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4. How did Duttada take his publicity?



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5. How can you say that Indrani Debi was a superstitious lady?



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Additional Questions Solved | Long Answer Type Questions

1. What was Duttada's hobby and secret ambition? How did he succeed in his adventure?



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2. How does the new comet create a commotion in the world? How was the disaster averted at last?



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3. Bring out the difference in outlook of Duttada and his wife in respect of the new comet. Who do you think deserves the crown of victory?



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4. What were James Forsyth's predictions? What did he mean by rare circumstances?



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5. Duttada and the Defence Advisor became close friends and shared a secret. Elaborate.



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6. What action was needed to be taken to meet the challenge of the new comet ?



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Ncert Textbook Questions Solved Exercise

1. Should a scientist's findings be suppressed if they seem disturbing ? Give reasons for and against the topic.



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2. Do you think ours is a traditional society? What are some of the things we do to be called traditional ? Do you find these things useless or useful ?



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3. Give two or three examples to show how science has been useful to us.



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4. Give one example to show how science has been misused, and has as a result been harmful to us.



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Additional Questions Solved | Short Answer Type Questions

1. Duttada was invited to a secret conference.

Why was he called ?



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2. "I am confident now of buying my Christmas presents on December 15 - John Macpherson."

Why had John not been buying Christmas presents ?



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3. What is the contrast in the character of Duttada's wife . Do you agree to her orthodoxy ?



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4. How was Duttada received after he returned from London ?



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