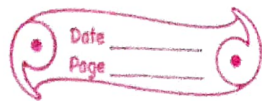


# THE TIGER KING



## WORKSHEET - VIII

### DAY - 1

1. The Maharaja of Pratibandapuram is the hero of 'The Tiger King'. He was also identified as Sir Jilani Jung Bahadur, Jamedar-General, Maharajadhiraja Vesva Bhuvana Samat, Sata Vyaḡhra Samhari, M.A.D., A.C.T.C and C.P.C.K.
2. Author considers it imperative to disclose a matter of vital importance about the Tiger King. He was a man of indomitable courage.
3. The manner of King's death is a matter of extraordinary interest. When the king was born, the astrologer made a prophecy that someday the king would be killed by the 100<sup>th</sup> tiger while encountering it. The king made every effort to disprove the astrologer's prophecy.
4. Everyone was flabbergasted with the whole occurrence. The story of this miracle spreaded among the villagers. As a consequence, the brave king decided to set out for the killing of the tigers.

5. The infant said that all those who are born will have to die one day. There could be some sense in it if they could tell the manner of death.

### DAY - 2

6. The chief astrologer was surprised at the infant's observation. He placed his finger on his nose in wonder.

7. The young prince was brought up in an English environment. He grew taller and stronger day by day. He was given the milk of English cow. An English maid was associated for him.

8. They seemed so enamoured of everything English that the crown prince drank the milk of English cows, were brought up by English nannies and tutored by Englishmen.

9. An astrologer predicted that the reason behind the King's death will be a tiger. Thus, the main reason for that led the king to hunt the tigers was the astrologer's prediction.

10. The Maharaja was excited beyond measure when he killed his first tiger. He felt proud of his feat. He wanted to show the dead beast to the State astrologer.
11. On the orders of the Maharaja, the State astrologer said that his majesty might kill 99 tigers in exactly the same manner. But he must be careful with the 100<sup>th</sup> tiger. The Maharaja thought he killed the 100<sup>th</sup> tiger as well. The astrologer said that he would tear up all his books and set them on fire and would cut off his tuft, crop his hair short and become an insurance agent.

### DAY - 3

12. The state banned tiger hunting by anyone except the Maharaja. An official statement was issued. If anyone dared to harm a tiger, all his wealth and property would be confiscated. The tigers could rejoice that they wouldn't be killed by the riff-raff. The irony is that they were set to die at the hands of Maharaja. The bullets of his gun awaited them.

13. The Maharaja pursued his ambition with single-minded devotion. He vowed that he would attend to all other matters only after killing 100 tigers. He bravely faced many dangers to his life from tigers in achieving his mission.
14. The Maharaja had annoyed a high-ranking British officer by refusing him permission to hunt tigers or even take a picture with the dead tiger. He stood in danger of losing his throne because he prevented a British officer from fulfilling his desire.
15. It reveals that Maharaja was wilful, obstinate and adamant. He had a false sense of humor. He lacks practical approach and would even sacrifice diamonds for his throne. The British officer seems publicity conscious. He is more interested in photographers than tiger-hunt. The costly gift of diamonds mollifies his hurt ego.