

# CHAPTER 01

## Collocations of Load

### A Fallen from Grace

#### Meanings

- 1) remembering nostalgically: Thinking fondly of the past.
- 2) Heralding - announcing
- 3) rebuke - an expression of disapproval; a scolding
- 4) Pregnant - Genescent
- 5) Plump physique - Pleasantly fat body.
- 6) Open testimony - Public statement about a character or quality.

## Oral comprehension check

1) What are the elements in Crax's nostalgic about?

Ans: The elements in Crax's nostalgic about the good old Portuguese days and their love of bread and loaves. The writer says that the ovens of loaves have left but the makers still exist.

2) Is bread making still popular in Crax?

Answer: Yes bread making is still popular in Crax. This is very clear from Crax's statement that the ovens have gone away leaving the makers behind. There are mixers, moulders, the ones who bake the loaves. The time tested furnaces still exist there.

3) What is the baker called?

Ans: The baker is called a pader in Crax.

4) When would the baker come everyday? Why do the children run to meet him?

Ans: The baker would come twice a day. Once early in the morning & the second time when he returns

after selling his stuff.

The children would run to meet as they wanted to have bread-bangles.

5) Match the followings. What is a must for marriage gifts? - cakes and bolinhaw.

i) For a party on a feast? - sweet bread called bol.

ii) For a daughter's engagement? - bread.

iii) For Christmas? - sandwiches.

Ans: i) For marriage gifts - sweet bread called bol.

ii) For a party on a feast - bread.

iii) For a daughter's engagement - sandwiches.

iv) For Christmas - cakes & bolinhaw.

6) What did the bakers wear?

i) In the Portuguese days.

ii) When the author was young.

Ans: i) The bakers were usually dressed up in a ~~pecu~~ peculiar dress called kabai. It was a single piece long frock reaching down to the knees.

ii) During his childhood days the author saw the bakers wearing a shirt and trousers which were shorter than full length ones & longer than half pants.



7) Who invites the comedian - He is dressed like a  
paulen? why?

Ans Any person who is wearing a hairy paint cover  
reached just below the knees invites this  
comedian. This is because the knees bayer  
was known as a paulen, used to dress like a

8) Where were the monthly records on records  
the bayer recorded?

Ans monthly records of the bayer were recorded by the  
same man in the house with a pencil.

9) What does a 'jackfruit-like appearance' mean?

Ans It means having a plump physique like a jackfruit.

### Thinking About The Text

1) Why was paulen was an important person in the  
village in old times. connect

ii) Paulen still exists in certain villages. connect

iii) The paulen went away with the portuguese. connect

iv) The paulen continue to wear a single-piece long  
jock. connect

v) Food & clothes were an integral part of their

life in the old days. connect

vi) Traditional bread baking is still a very profitable business. connect

vii) Parents and their families share in the present times. Disconnect

2) Is bread an important part of Indian life? How do you know this?

Ans. Yes, bread is an important part of Indian life. It is needed for marriage gifts parties & feasts. Bread is also needed by mother for preparing sandwiches during her daughter's engagement. It is necessary to have bread for every occasion because of which the presence of a baker's presence in the village is very important.

3) Analyze i. Nostalgic

ii. Hopeful

iii. Nostalgic

iv. Funny

v. Matter-of-fact

vi. Matter-of-fact.