

I (1) Pungi (2) A barber (3) Professional musicians
(4) Ali Bux (5) Afghanistan

II (1) Positive (2) Negative (3) Negative (4) Neutral
(5) Positive (6) Positive (7) Negative

III
Q1 Aurangzeb banned the playing of the pungi because it had a shrill & unpleasant sound

Q2 A shehnaai is a pipe with a natural hollow that is longer & broader than a pungi. It has seven holes on the body of the pipe.

Q3 The shehnaai was played traditionally in the temple at the royal courts & on the occasion of ~~the~~ weddings. The credit must go to Bismillah Khan to take the instrument onto the classical stage.

Q4 Bismillah Khan got his big break with the opening of the All India Radio in Lucknow in 1938.

Q5 Bismillah Khan played the shehnaai on 15 August 1947 at the Red Fort.

⑥ He refused to start a shiknai school in the USA because he never wanted to leave India.

⑦ Bismillah Khan loves India & Banaras. The sound of music 197 from the bottom of his heart. He says that he misses the Holy Ganga & India when he goes abroad. While in Mumbai, he thinks of only Banaras & the holy river.

① to win ② to succeed ③ to take her to a specialist ④ play ⑤ play a new Raaga.

② Royal residence ③ solitude ④ An indispensable component ⑤ improvise ⑥ effortlessly ⑦ thick, fast.

⑧ ① Lives again ② stopped ③ welcome it. ④ interesting ⑤ find it good & useful. ⑥ for the 2nd time ⑦ No longer upsetting.

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