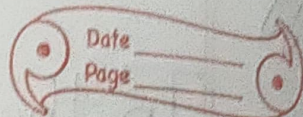


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## In the Bazaars of Hyderabad



### Get Going

A. Let us find the answers from the poem

1. What do the merchants sell?

Ans- The merchants sell all kind of expensive clothing and artefacts; turbans and tunics of vibrant colours, mirrors with panels of amber, daggers with handles of jade and.

2. What are the vendors weighing? Why are they weighing them?

Ans- The vendors are weighing saffron, lentil and rice. They are weighing them because these items are sold by weighing.

3. Who are pedlers? What are they selling?

Ans- Pedlers are people who go from place to place for selling things. In the poem they are selling chessmen and ivory dice.

4. What fruits are the fruitsman selling?

Ans- The fruitsman are selling citrons (lemons)



pomegranate and plum.

5. Who are the flowers - girls weaving the garland for?

Ans - The flower-girls are weaving the bridegroom and also for the dead.

B. Let us read between the lines

1. Why does the speaker say that the wares of the merchant are richly displayed?

Ans - The phrase 'richly displayed' describes the wares ~~to~~ themselves rather than the way they are displayed. The wares look grand and exotic and thus, the poet says that they are richly displayed.

2. Why are the ~~gold~~ goldsmiths making bells for the feet of blue pigeons?

Ans - In the olden days, pigeons were used as messengers. The bell tied to their feet scared other animals away and also alerted the



receiver of the message. The usage of blue pigeons signify that these pigeons belonged to the royal. The goldsmiths are making gold bells for these royal pigeons.

3. In the bazaars of Hyderabad, there are sellers of all kinds : merchants, fruit sellers and flower-girls. What does this tell you about the bazaar?

Ans- The bazaars of Hyderabad as described in the poem are very different from the present day markets. In these bazaars, people from all sections of the society gathered to sell their wares, be it the rich merchants and goldsmiths or the fruit sellers and flowergirl.

## Vocabulary Junction

Complete the crossword with the help of the hints given :-

Across

2. Flute



5. Santoor
7. Sitar

## Down

1. Dhol
3. Esra
4. Tonpura
6. Tabla
7. Sarangi

## Look at each colour and write its name

1. Cherry
2. Magenta
3. Mint
4. Canary
5. Turquoise
6. Mulberry
7. Apple
8. Teal