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# 7 Glimpses of India

## (I) A Baker of GOA

~ Lucio Rodrigues

Who ruled over Goa?  
Portuguese.

Which named for the sweet bread.  
bol

### Oral Comprehension Check - II

- (i) as marriage gifts - sweet bread called bol.
- (ii) for a party or a feast? - bread
- (iii) for a daughter's engagement? - Sandwiches.
- (iv) for Christmas? - cakes and bolinhos.

Q) 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 peculiar dress called Kabai. It was a single piece long frock reaching down to the knees...

(ii) During the childhood ~~times~~ days, the author saw the bakers wearing a shirt and trousers which were shorter than full length ones and longer than half-pants.

Q3) who invites the comment - "he is dressed like a padder"? why?

Ans - Any person who is wearing a half pant which reaches just below the knees invites this comment. This is because the bakers known as a pader, used to dress like that.

Q4) Where were the monthly accounts of the baker recorded?

Ans - Monthly Accounts of the baker were recorded on some wall in the house with a pencil.

Q5) What does a 'jackfruit-like appearance' mean?

Ans - It means having a plump physique, like a jack fruit.

## Oral Comprehension

Q1) What are the elders in Goa nostalgic about?

Ans - The elders in Goa are nostalgic about the good old Portuguese days and their love of bread and leaves. The writer says that the eaters of leaves have left but the makers still exist.

Q2) Is bread-making still popular in Goa? How do you know?

Ans - Yes, bread-making is still popular in Goa. This is very clear from the statement by the narrator that the eaters have gone away leaving the makers behind. There are mixers, maulders and the ones who bake the loaves. The time-tested furnaces still exist there.

Q3) what is the baker called?

Ans - The baker is called Padder in Goa.

Q4) when would the baker come everyday why did the children run to meet him?

Ans - The baker would come twice - once in the morning and second time when he returned selling his stuff. The childrens would run to him as they wanted to have bread-bangles.

### Thinking about the Text

(i) The pader was an important person in the village in old times. Correct

(ii) Paders still exist in Goa Village. Correct

(iii) The paders went away with the Portuguese. Incorrect

(iv) The paders continue to wear

a single-piece long loaf. Incorrect

(v) Bread and cakes were an integral part of Goan life in the old days. Correct.

(vi) Traditional bread-baking is still a very profitable business. Correct.

(vii) Paderes and their families starve in the present times. Incorrect

3. Is bread an important part of Goan life? How do you know this?

Ans - Yes, bread is an important part of Goan life. It is needed for wedding gifts, parties and feast. Bread is also needed by a mother for preparing sandwiches during her daughter's engagement. Thus, it is necessary to have breads for every occasion, because of which the presence of a

baker's furnace in the village is very important.

3 Tick the right answer.

(i) The thud and the jingle of the traditional baker's bamboo can still be heard in some places.  
(nostalgic, hopeful, sad)

(ii) Maybe the father is not alive but the son still carries on the family profession.  
(nostalgic, hopeful, sad)

(iii) I still recall the typical fragrance of those loaves.  
(nostalgic, hopeful, naughty)

(iv) The tiger never brushed his teeth. Hot tea could wash and clean up everything so nicely, after all.  
(naughty, angry, funny)

- (v) Cakes and bolinhas are a must for Christmas as well as other festivals. (sad, hopeful, ~~matter-of-fact~~)
- (vi) The baker and his family never starved. They always looked happy and prosperous.  
(~~matter-of-fact~~, hopeful, sad)

WRITING

(i)

Clues	Author's childhood days.
The way bread was baked.	The bakers used to bake loaves in the mixers and maulders on age-old time-tested furnaces that were never extinguished.
The way the baker sold bread.	The baker made his musical 'Theng-Theng' sound of his especially made of bamboo staff. One hand supported the basket on his head and other bamboo on the ground.



what the padler wore

The padler wore a peculiar dress called 'Kabai'. It was a single-piece of frock reaching down to the knees.

when the des padler was paid.

The baker usually collected his bills at the end of the month. Monthly accounts used to be recorded on some wall in pencil.

how the padler ~~looked~~ looked

The baker used to have a plump physique with a jackfruit-like physical appearance.