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Exercises

Answer the following questions.

1. Whom does Golu ask, "Why don't you ever fly like other birds?" Answer: Golu asked his tall aunt, the ostrich that "Why don't you ever fly like other birds?"

2. Which uncle of Golu had red eyes? Answer: Golu's huge uncle, the hippopotamus had red eyes.

- 3. Golu's relatives did not Answer: his questions because
- (i) they were shy.
- (ii) the questions were too difficult.
- (iii) Golu was a naughty baby.

Answer: Golu's relatives did not Answer: because (ii) the questions were too difficult.

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4. Who advised Golu to go to the Limpopo river?

Answer: The mynah bird advised Golu to go to the Limpopo river.

5. Why did Golu go to the river?

Answer: Golu went to the river to know what the crocodile had for his dinner.

- 6. The crocodile lay on the bank of the Limpopo river. Golu thought it was
- (i) a living crocodile.
- (ii) a dead crocodile.
- (iii) a log of wood.

Answer: Golu thought it was (iii) a log of wood.

- 7. What did the crocodile do to show that it was a real crocodile? Answer: Crocodile shed his crocodile tears to show that it was a real crocodile.
- 8. "Come here, little one, and I'll whisper the Answer: to you." $\,$

The crocodile said this because

- (i) he couldn't stand up.
- (ii) he wanted to eat Golu.
- (iii) Golu was deaf.

Answer: The crocodile said this because (ii) he wanted to eat Golu.

9. Who helped Golu on the bank of the river?

Answer: The python helped Golu on the bank of the river.

10. Name two things the elephant can do with his trunk, and two he cannot.

Answer:

The two things the elephant can do with his trunk are:

- (i) pluck a large bundle of grass and stuff it into his mouth
- (ii) scoop up some mud from the bank and slap it on his head.

The two things the elephant cannot do with his trunk are:

- (i) cannot scratch himself with his trunk
- (ii) cannot chew or eat food directly with his trunk.

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