



CLASS IX
ENGLISH COURSE BOOK
UNIT I - THE LAND
LESSON A - MANIPUR, A LAND OF ENCHANTING FLOWERS

SOLUTIONS

A. Complete the following sentences:

- (a) From time immemorial, flowers have been associated with the culture and tradition of Manipur.
- (b) Khamba had to look up if the branches of the tree broke down.
- (c) In Manipur, Orchids adorn the trees both in the hills and plains.
- (d) Whenever the gentle wind blows, one cannot miss the sweet smell of the flowers and the leaves.
- (e) Sunflowers are seen on the whole mountains as well as on the roadsides in the hill.
- (f) Unforgettable is the sweet scent of the lemon flowers of Kachai and Grihang.

B. Answer in a sentence each:

Q1. What are Manipur folklores replete with?

Ans: Manipuri folklores are replete (well stocked) with references to a variety of flowers of the hills and the plains.

Q2. Which April flower can no one ignore?

Ans: No one can ignore the Golden *Melei*.

Q3. What is the special quality of the flowers in Manipur?

Ans: The special quality is the sweet scent, enchanting everyone around.



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Q4. What is the effect of the red *gulmohar* on the onlooker?

Ans: The **red *gulmohar*** makes the onlooker forget the summer heat.

Q5. How is Ukhrul comparable to England?

Ans: Ukhrul is comparable to England because **the beautiful cherry flower of Ukhrul presents charming spectacle just like the cherry flowers of England.**

C. Answer the following questions briefly:

A. How could Khamba solve his problem on the top of the Thangjing Hill?

Ans: When **Khamba** could not find any flower on the top of the mountain, he sat down at the foot of a big tree. He looked up and saw clusters of **a golden coloured orchids** hanging from the tree. He climbed and plucked a host of **orchids to offer to Thangjing**. Thus, he solved his problem.

B. How do orchids adorn the plains too?

Ans: Some of the orchids, now-a-days adorn the trees and the flower pots all over the valley, namely ***Khongumelei, Kwaklei, Samjirei***, etc. They bloom in different seasons.

C. What are the beauties of the hillside in every season?

Ans: In every season, the hillsides are covered with **colourful flowers from different trees and golden sunflower.**



D. How are the plains filled with sweet fragrance?

Ans: The plains are filled with sweet fragrance of plumeria (*champa/champaka*), jasmine, local magnolia and a variety of sweet-scented flowers.

E. How do flowers in the ponds and lakes effect the passersby?

Ans: The ponds and lakes are full of lotus in white and pink. One cannot avoid the sweet smell of the flowers and the leaves whenever the gentle wind blows. Attractive lilies, red, blue, yellowish and white, dance playfully in water, enchanting every passerby.

F. What spectacle of Tamenglong dazzles a person?

Ans: The **orange grows of Tamenglong** is spellbound.

The golden oranges on the plants are more beautiful than flowers in the gardens. This spectacle of Tamenglong dazzles a person.

