

NCERT Solutions for Class 7 English (Poorvi)

Unit 5- Brave Hearts: Chapter 15- Rani Abbakka

Let us discuss

I Match the words in Column 1 with their meanings in Column 2. Share your answers with your classmates and the teacher.

Make the table given below again

Column 1	Column 2
1. vassal (n)	(i) extreme anger
2. coronation (n)	(ii) take hold of suddenly or forcibly
3. successor (n)	(iii) happen in a violent way
4. rash (adj.)	(iv) acting or doing something without thinking about the consequences
5. sovereign country (n)	(v) association or partnership
6. league (n)	(vi) a ceremony at which a person is made king or queen
7. wrath (n)	(vii) fearless
8. seize (v)	(viii) capture
9. resolve (n)	(ix) a country with a government having complete authority
10. raged (v)	(x) a country/ state that is controlled by a more powerful country and has to pay money when needed
11. decisive (adj.)	(xi) a person who succeeds another
12. apprehended (v)	(xii) take revenge for
13. dauntless (adj)	(xiii) showing the ability to make decisions effectively
14. avenge (v)	(xiv) determination

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II Complete the table given below based on your understanding of the story. An example has been done for you. Share your answers with your classmates and the teacher.

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2.	(ii) Rani Abbakka's husband Veera Narsimha felt it was a hasty decision.
3. Veera Narsimha ordered the soldiers to stop Rani Abbakka when she said she would not be frightened by the Portuguese.	(iii)
4. Rani Abbakka addressed a meeting of rajas for their	(iv)

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5.	(v) Rani Abbakka in turn attacked the Portuguese Fort.
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1. Ullal had been captured by the Portuguese.	(i) Ullal had to pay a tribute to the colonial power.
2. Rani Abbakka refused to pay tribute to the Portuguese and stopped selling them spices and cloth.	(ii) Rani Abbakka's husband Veera Narsimha felt it was a hasty decision.
3. Veera Narsimha ordered the soldiers to stop Rani Abbakka when she said she would not be frightened by the Portuguese.	(iii) The soldiers, inspired by Abbakka's bravery, refused to obey the order.
4. Rani Abbakka addressed a meeting of rajas for their support, who felt they would be no match for the Portuguese army and their power.	(iv) Their lack of support strengthened Abbakka's resolve to fight the Portuguese alone.
5. The Portuguese attacked Ullal in response to Rani Abbakka's defiance.	(v) Rani Abbakka in turn attacked the Portuguese Fort.

Let us think and reflect

I Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow. Portuguese envoy:
Our Governor has sent me to remind you that the annual tribute from Ullal is long overdue and...

Rani Abbakka: We are a sovereign country. We don't pay tribute to Portugal. And we don't take orders from the Portuguese!

Portuguese envoy: Your Majesty, you will regret your stand. Abbakka ordered merchant ships to be built and in alliance with the

Zamorin of Kozhikode, she defied the Portuguese and established a hugely profitable trading relation with Arabia.

1. What does the word 'tribute' mean in this context?

Ans. In this context, 'tribute' refers to a forces, payment that the Portuguese demanded

from Ullal as a sign of submission to their colonial power.

2. Complete the sentence with a suitable reason.

Rani Abbakka says, "We are a sovereign country" because _____.

Ans. she wanted to show that Ullal was free and independent, and did not need to obey or pay money to the Portuguese rulers.

3. Identify whether the following statement is true or false. The Portuguese envoy threatened Rani Abbakka.

Ans. True

4. Choose a word given in brackets to replace the underlined word.

"... she defied the Portuguese and established a hugely profitable trading relation with Arabia." (defeated/disobeyed)

Ans. disobeyed

5. Choose the option that lists the qualities of Rani Abbakka, based on this extract.

(i) bold (ii) thoughtful (iii) capable

(iv) generous (v) determined

A. (i), (ii), and (v) B. (ii), (iii), and (iv) C. (i), (iii), and (v)

D. (ii), (iv), and (v)

Ans. C. (i), (iii), and (v)

II Answer the following questions.

1. Rani Abbakka spoke to her mother on her deathbed. How might these words have made her mother feel?

Ans. Rani Abbakka's words to her mother on her deathbed would have made her mother feel proud, comforted and hopeful, knowing her daughter would protect their kingdom bravely.

2. What does the support of the people of Ullal and the soldiers for Rani Abbakka suggest about their mindset?

Ans. The people of Ullal and the soldiers were brave, loyal and proud of their kingdom, ready to defend Ullal's freedom at any cost. Their support showed their trust in Rani Abbakka and their strong desire to resist Portuguese rule.

3. How might the people of Ullal have felt when the mighty Portuguese were defeated?

Ans. The people of Ullal must have felt overjoyed and proud when the mighty Portuguese were defeated. They would have celebrated their freedom and admired Rani Abbakka's bravery.

4. Why do you think Rani Abbakka's victory against the Portuguese would have inspired other rulers to go against a foreign power?

Ans. Rani Abbakka's victory showed that even a powerful foreign force could be defeated with courage and unity. This would have inspired other rulers to stand up against foreign powers and fight for their freedom.