



LESSON- 7
Kunjarani
A Pride of Manipur

SOLUTIONS:

Comprehension:

I. Answer the following questions in a sentence each:

1. How is Kunjarani known to her friends?

Ans:- Kunjarani is known to her friends as Kunju.

2. How many medals did Kunjarani win in the World Weightlifting Championship of 1989?

Ans:- Kunjarani won three silver medals in the World Weightlifting Championship of 1989.

3. When did Kunjarani win two gold medals?

Ans:- Kunjarani won two gold medals in the 1995 Asian Meet at Pusan, Korea.

4. What is the total number of medals Kunjarani has won so far?

Ans:- Kunjarani has won more than 45 medals so far.

5. What is the ranking of Kunjarani in the world in 1993?

Ans:- Kunjarani was ranked 6th in the world in 1993.

II. Answer the following questions in a about 20-25 words each:

1. What are the names given to Manipur by other people of the world?

Ans:- Some people who visited Manipur called her as a 'paradise on earth' and the Japanese called her 'a flower on the lofty heights'.

2. How does Kunjarani prove that poverty is no bar to fame?

Ans:- Despite of having brought up in a poor family, she became a world figure in weightlifting only through hard work and indomitable spirit. Thus, she proved that poverty is no bar to fame.

3. Give the names of some other famous sports women of Manipur associated with other games.

Ans:- Some famous sports women of Manipur are Mary Kom of boxing, Surjalata, Tingongleima and Sushila Chanu Pukhrambam of hockey and Bombayla Devi Laishram of archery.

III. Answer the following questions in about 50-60 words:

1. How was Manipur known to the world in the past?

Ans:- In the past, Manipur was known to the world for her colourful dances and the beautiful brow-antlered deer, the Sangai. Many people called her as a 'paradise on earth' or 'a flower on the lofty heights'. But they hadn't known about the capabilities of Manipuri people until the sports personalities, hailing from Manipur, showed heroic performances and great achievements to the world consistently.

2. How has the name of Manipur spread in the recent past?

Ans:- In the recent past, the name of Manipur spread throughout the world. This is because, the consistent performances and achievements of sports personalities hailing from Manipur has kept its name in the news of the world. Women of Manipur are also playing a great role. One of them is Kunjarani Devi who has won many titles over the years.

3. Why do Manipuri women occupy the pride of place in society?

Ans:- The role of Manipuri women has been distinctly fundamental in both the family and the society. They are brave and hard working. This has also been proved by the achievements of Kunjarani Devi. Today, the whole world has known the true essence of Manipuri women. So, they occupy the pride of place in society.

4. What is the achievement of Kunjarani in Asian Championships?

Ans:- Kunjarani won a bronze medal in the Beijing Asiad of 1990 which was India's first medal. Then, she won two gold medals in the 1995 Asian Meet at Pusan, Korea. In the 10th Asian Weightlifting Meet of 1997 at Yongzhu in China, she won a silver medal again. From Asian Meets, she had collected two gold, 10 silver and four bronze medals.

5. Describe the performance of Kunjarani in World Championships.

Ans:- In 1989 Kunjarani participated in the World Championship at Manchester. There were strong contenders from the USA, Germany, China and many other countries but she was able to win three silver medals. Again she made an outstanding performance in the world championship of 1991 in Germany and won three silver medals. Her consistent achievements over the years are indeed admirable.

IV. Write 'T' for true and 'F' for false statements:

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| 1. Kunjarani won 45 medals in the Olympics. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">F</div> |
| 2. In the World Championship in Germany, Kunjarani won 3 silver medals. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">T</div> |
| 3. In the Manchester World Championship, no Indian won a medal. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">F</div> |

Grammar:

2. Join the following sentences into one:

- a) Manipuri women have been brave and hard working.
- b) But the world has not seen their ability.

Ans:- Although the Manipuri women have been brave and hard-working, the world has not seen their ability.

3. Frame sentences using the following words:

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| a) Colourful | b) recent past | c) pride of place |
| d) hard working | e) leading light | f) come into prominence |
| g) upbringing | h) powerhouse | |

- Ans:-
- a) She likes colourful dresses.
 - b) We travelled a lot in the recent past.
 - c) Women deserve a pride of place in the society.
 - d) Manipuri people are hard working.
 - e) Kunjarani Devi is a leading light in the field of sports.
 - f) She has come into prominence only recently.
 - g) One's upbringing shapes one's whole life.
 - h) Manipur is called the powerhouse of sports in India.



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4. The adjective form of Asia is 'Asian'. Give the adjective forms of the following and pronounce them:

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| a) India | b) Japan | c) Poland |
| d) China | e) Korea | f) Scotland |

Ans:- a) Indian
b) Japanese
c) Polish
d) Chinese
e) Korean
f) Scottish

5. Rewrite the following sentences with the correct forms of the verbs given within

brackets:

- a) Manipuri is bounded by ranges of hills (bound).
- b) Kunjarani was known to her friends as Kunju (know).
- c) The world has not seen the best of Manipur (see).
- d) Kunjarani has been called a rough diamond (call).
- e) The four walls of the family cannot keep the Manipuri women at home (keep).

6. Change the following sentences into the passive forms:

- a) The Japanese called Manipur 'a flower on lofty heights'.

Ans:- Manipur was called 'a flower on lofty heights' by the Japanese.

- b) The world has not seen their ability so far.

Ans:- Their ability has not been seen so far by the world.

or

Their ability has not been seen by the world so far.

- c) Mary Kom conquered the world of boxing in her category.

Ans:- The world of boxing was conquered by Mary Kom in her category.

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