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Passage No. 37

Directions: Read the following passage to answer the given questions based on it. Some words/phrases are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.

As epics go, Ramayana has all the gripping ingredients that make a saga universal and everlasting. With love, loyalty, seduction and greed in all their varying shades, with its colourful characters-benign and evil-few stories have seized human imagination through the millennia as the story of Ram, the prince of Ayodhya.

In India, of course, the Ramayana continues to evoke reverence and on occasions, stirs up political passions. But such is its fascination that its geographical reach spans South-East Asia, and as we realize now, even Russia. Besides Hinduism, it manifests in Buddhist, Jain, and Sikh traditions too.

Questions:

- 1. Q. Which two attributes of human nature mainly constitute the Ramayana?**
 - A. Chivalry and cowardice
 - B. Love and greed
 - C. Patience and suffering
 - D. Sex and exploitation
- 2. What does the term 'saga' used in the passage mean?**
 - A. The social history of a community
 - B. The biography of a noble man
 - C. Mythology associated with the religion
 - D. The narrative of a dynasty's heroic exploits
- 3. Which one of the following is correct?**

- A. A large number of films
- B. A large number of scholars
- C. Human imagination since ages
- D. A large number of Literary works

4. Which one of the following is correct?

- A. Political Passions
- B. Communal riots
- C. Deep Fascination
- D. Fatalism



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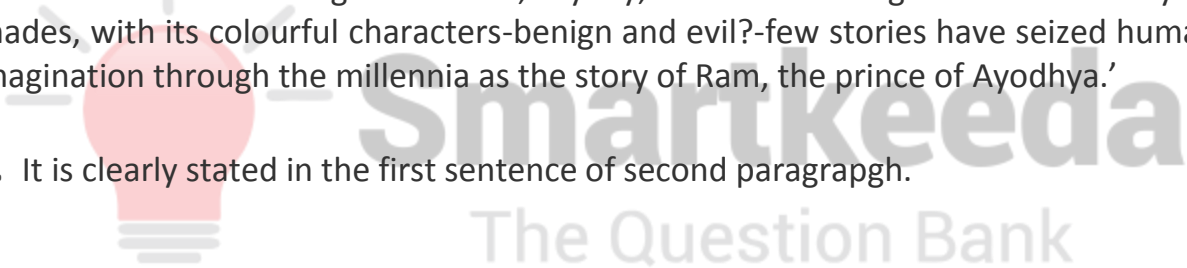
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Correct Answers:

1	2	3	4
B	D	D	A

Explanations:

1. Can be inferred from the second sentence of the passage.
2. Option 'D' is obvious choice from among the given options.
3. Refer to 'As epics go, Ramayana has all the gripping ingredients that make a saga universal and everlasting. With love, loyalty, seduction and greed in their varying shades, with its colourful characters-benign and evil?-few stories have seized human imagination through the millennia as the story of Ram, the prince of Ayodhya.'
4. It is clearly stated in the first sentence of second paragraph.





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