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(b) Describe, in your own words, the intimacy between Sue and Johnsy. 10

2. Answer any *one* of the following : 10

(a) Present a character-sketch of Nambi. What happened to him at the end of the story? 6+4=10

(b) Describe how Nambi kept the villagers of Somal enthralled by his stories. How did he conclude his last story-telling session? 6+4=10

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 10

(a) Give an account of the musical evening in which Vikram Seth took part. How did the event help the writer? 6+4=10

(b) How do the Chinese people view the 'foreign friends'? How did they treat Vikram Seth? 5+5=10

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4. Answer any *three* of the following : 2×3=6

(a) Who does Behrman look like in the beginning of the story, *The Last Leaf*?

(b) How did Johnsy relate her life to the leaves of ivy vine?

(c) Give a short description of the village of Somal.

(d) How did Nambi get his food and clothing?

(e) Who were 'Lita' and 'Laz'?

(f) Why did the 'pipe' episode in the market arouse laughter among the Chinese crowd?

5. Give very short answers to any *four* of the following : 1×4=4

(a) Name the short story collection of O. Henry in which *The Last Leaf* is included.