

**A. II**. **Answer the following with reference to the context.**

**1."My silence was like an acknowledge of my guilt"**

a. Who is the speaker of the above line?

b. Why was the speaker silent?

c. What is the guilt that the speaker is referring to?

**Ill Answer the following questions**

1. What was the difference in the routines of the two brothers?

2. What was the elder brother’s reaction to failing in examination?

3. Bring out the humour in the story.

4. Do you think that the elder brother had to suppress his desires to be a role model to his younger brother? Why do you think so?

**B. I Answer the following questions**

1. How does the elder brother’s academic struggle influence his behavior towards the narrator?

2. What role does the narrator’s success play in changing the dynamics between the two brothers?

3. Explain how the elder brother’s lectures reflect his sense of responsibility as the older sibling.

4. How does the narrator balance his academic success with his love for sports, and what does this reveal about his character?

5. Discuss the significance of the brothers being in the same class by the end of the story.

6. How does the narrator’s perspective of his elder brother change over the course of the story?

7. What lesson about empathy can be learned from the narrator’s experience with his elder brother?

8. How does the story highlight the theme of personal growth through the elder brother’s character?

9. Why does the elder brother’s tone soften towards the narrator, and what does this indicate about their relationship?

10. How does the story use the contrast between the brothers’ academic performances to develop its central theme?

11.  How does the relationship between the narrator and his elder brother evolve throughout the story? Support your answer with examples from the text.

12. Analyze the role of societal expectations in shaping the elder brother’s behaviour towards the narrator. How do these expectations impact their relationship?

13. Discuss the theme of self-confidence in the story. How does the elder brother’s criticism affect the narrator’s self-confidence, and how does the narrator overcome this?

14. Compare and contrast the personalities of the narrator and his elder brother. How do their differences contribute to the story’s central conflict?

15. Evaluate the significance of the title “My Big Brother” in the context of the story. How does it reflect the themes of responsibility and growth?

16. The elder brother was not good at academics. How does the narrator convey this?

17. What was the difference in the routines of the two brothers?

18. Describe the timetable drawn up by the narrator. How were the intent and reality completely different?

19. What was the impact of the elder brother's lectures on the narrator?

20. How did the elder brother's sermons change when he failed for the first time?

21. What was the elder brother's reaction to failing for the second time?