**EDUCATING MOTHER**

**Understanding the Text**

1. 1.d 2.a 3.b 4.a
2. 1.F 2.F 3.F 4.T 5.T
3. **Answer these questions:**

**1. Why did Ramu think that Goldilocks had a ‘weight problem’?**

**Ans**: Ramu thought that Goldilocks had a ‘weight problem’ because she decided to go for a long walk.

**2. What made Janaki think that Goldilocks was a story about a girl who lived very long ago?**

**Ans**: Janaki thought that the story of Goldilocks was a story about a girl who lived very long ago because she had no cell phone to call her mother, when she got lost in the forest.

**3. Why did Ambu think that Cinderella was an idiot?**

**Ans**: Ambu thought that Cinderella was an idiot because she waited all her life for Prince Charming to save her life. According to Ambu, she could have escaped her stepmother by getting an education and a job.

**4. What, according to Ambu, would have happened if the children had mistaken a wolf for their grandmother?**

**Ans**: According to Ambu, if the children had mistaken a wolf for their grandmother then the grandmother herself would have eaten up the children, even if the wolf had spared them.

**5. Why did Janaki ask whether Jack used a genetically modified seed?**

**Ans**: Janaki asked the narrator whether Jack used a genetically modified seed because the seed which he used grew into a very tall plant overnight.

**6. Why do you think the narrator fled in the end?**

Ans: The narrator fled in the end because the children were well aware about the stories which she narrated and they also asked many questions, which she was unable to answer.

1. **Answer these questions with reference to the context:**

**1. I decided to ignore her. ‘There was this girl called Goldilocks…’  
a. Who said this to whom?  
b. Who is referred to as ‘her’?  
c. Why did the speaker decide to ignore the person being referred to?**

**Ans**:

a. The narrator said this to the children, Ambu, Venku, Ramu and Janaki.  
b. The ‘her’ referred to here is Ambu, the narrator’s daughter.  
c. The speaker decided to ignore Ambu because she was asking the exact date when the story took place

**2. Humans shouldn’t encroach on forest land.  
a. Who said this?  
b. To whom did the speaker say these words?  
c. Which human is being referred to here and why was the human encroaching on forest land?**

**Ans**:

a. Janaki said this.  
b. The speaker said these words to the narrator.  
c. The human referred to here is Red Riding Hood’s grandmother.

**3. Did Jack use a genetically modified seed?  
a. Who said this to whom?  
b. Who was Jack?  
c. Why did the speaker ask this question?**

**Ans**:

a. Janaki said this to the narrator.  
b. Jack is the protagonist of the story, Jack and the Beanstalk.  
c. The speaker asked this question because the seed that Jack used grew into a very tall plant overnight.