

EXERCISE 104

Read the following paragraph:

Three months after this great victory, Clive sailed for England. At home, honour and rewards awaited him, not indeed equal to his claims or to his ambitions, but still such as, when his age, his rank in the army, and his original place in society are considered, must be pronounced rare and splendid. He was raised to the Irish peerage, and encouraged to expect an English title. George the Third, who had just ascended the throne, received him with great distinction. The ministers paid him marked attention. Pitt, whose influence in the House of Commons and the country was unbounded, was eager to mark his regard for one whose exploits had contributed so much to the lustre of that remarkable period. The great orator had already in Parliament described Clive as a heaven-born general, as a man who, bred to the labour of the desk, had displayed a military genius which might excite the envy of the King of Prussia. There were then no reporters in the gallery ; but these words emphatically spoken by the first statesman of the age, had passed from mouth to mouth, had been transmitted to Clive in Bengal, and had greatly delighted and flattered him. Indeed, since the death of Wolfe, Clive was the only English general of whom his countrymen had much reason to be proud.

1. *What is the topic of the above paragraph ?*
2. *Where is it most clearly stated ?*
3. *Prove that the principle of Unity has been observed.*
4. *From each sentence, select some one expression that shows its connection with the preceding.*
5. *Point out any other devices that have been used to secure Coherence.*
6. *Show how the principle of Emphasis has been observed.*
7. *Classify the sentences as long or short.*
8. *What do you note as to the alternation of these forms ?*