

9. Paraphrase the following :

A man who kept a horse, along the way
Unladen used to lead him, and to lay
His burden on an aged ass, who groaned,
And coming to the horse his fate bemoaned.
"Wouldst thou but share my load, I might
survive."

Said he, "but else I sha'n't be long alive."
"Move on," the other cried, "don't worry
me!"

The ass crept on, reproved; and presently
Sank under toil, and died as he had said;
His master therefore set the horse instead
Beside him, shifted all the weight, and laid
This and the ass's skin, when it was flayed,
With all its trappings, on the horse's back;
He cried, "Ah, ill advised! Alack! Alack!
I would not bear a part, however small,
And now constraint hath laid upon me all!"

10. What do the following contractions
stand for?—Jr., M.D., Prof., viz., Bp., ult.,
Jno., e.g., Col., J. P., %, mdsc., Cr., Ill.,
nos., inst., N. Y., Xmas., C.O.D., schr.,
M.P.P.

11. Break up the following complex sentence into eight simple ones, each containing one assertion :

"The chief engineer, who had just been relieved from duty, endeavoured to extinguish the flames, and when he failed in this, perceiving that the captain intended to beach the vessel, he felt his way at the risk of his life to the lever of the engine and pulled open the throttle valve so as to give her as great a head of steam as possible."

12. Combine the following into not more than six sentences :

"A gentleman was walking in the fields one day. He heard the cries of a bird. It seemed to be in distress. He looked up. He saw a hawk. It was trying to catch a lark. The lark darted this way. It darted that way. It managed to keep out of the reach of its enemy. It was becoming tired out. This was quite evident. The man felt very sorry for the lark. He wished to save it. Suddenly it darted down. It flew straight into his hand. It remained there. It was panting. It was trembling. The hawk saw all this. It flew away. It seemed disgusted."

13. Divide into clauses, and tell the nature and grammatical value of each :

(a) *A few cases, however, have been known in which Hindoos have succeeded in taming tigers so completely that there was no necessity for confining them in cages as they would follow their masters about like affectionate dogs.*

(b) *As night drew on, and, from the crest Of wooded knolls that ridged the west, The sun, a snow-blown traveller, sank From sight beneath the smothering bank,*
We piled with care our nightly stack
Of wood *against* the chimney-back.

(c) *And, following where the teamsters led, The wise old Doctor went his round, Just pausing at our door to say, In the brief, autocratic way Of one who, prompt at Duty's call, Was free to urge her claim on all, That some poor neighbour sick in bed At night our mother's aid would need.*

14. Parse the italicized words in 13.

15. Analyze fully:

(a) *At Stralsund, by the Baltic Sea, Within the sandy bar, At sunset of a summer's day, Ready for sea, at anchor lay The good ship Waldemar.*

(b) Failing to secure the coin, the elephant, after several attempts, stood motionless for a few seconds, apparently considering how to act.

16. Give two examples each of (a) an adverb modifying a clause; (b) a noun clause in apposition; (c) an adverbial clause of purpose; (d) an adjectival clause beginning with a conjunctive adverb.

17. "Certain words partake of the nature of two parts of speech." Show that this is true of the italicized words in the following :

(a) I found the children *playing* marbles.
(b) I kept him in for not *knowing* his lesson.
(c) I sent for his father, *who* came and took him home. (d) Soon we arrived at the wharf, *where* we parted, never to meet again.
(e) He wanted *to learn* their names.

18. Correct any errors, giving your reasons, in the following :

(a) In nearly every creek or arm of the sea lies buried inexhaustible supplies of this manure.

(b) I hope that in a short time I will be able to pay it all back.