Difficult words from the video:

pittance :- (पिटंस) दान betray :- (बिट्रे) धोका देना waning :- (वेनिंग) घटाव

touch :- (टच) छूना

craftsman :- (क्राफ्ट्स्मन) कारीगर features :- (फीचर्स) विशेषताएँ

practise :- (प्रैक्टिस) अभ्यास करना secretly :- (सिक्रेटली) गुप्त रूप से quarry :- (क्वॉरी) पत्थर खोदना

Practice Questions:

A) MCQ/Objective type questions:

Complete the following statements by choosing the best option from the ones given below:

- When the mason told Salim, 'Go ahead, you have it in your heart', he meant that:
 - Salim was very good at chiseling stones.
 - Salim was a sincere and creative craftsman.
 - Salim was passionate about sculpting.
 - Salim loved and respected the old stone mason.
 - 2. The old man had been carving statues of Gods because:
 - He found much pleasure and satisfaction in doing so.
 - He was crazy about money.
 - He wanted to pursue the family profession.
 - He was forced by family to do it.
 - 3. The new generation does not confirm the ideals of their

forefathers.

- They are more ambitious and want to be rich.
- They don't love their forefather's profession.
- They don't want to stay with their parents.
- They think differently.
- The old mason was worried because:
- He was very poor.
- There would be no one to pursue the tradition and then it would die.
- His young son wanted to move to Agra leaving his old father alone.
- He saw that Salim was doing his work.
- 'The Last Stone Mason' is a story of
- A sculptor
- A carpenter
- A farmer
- A builder

B) Very short answers:

- What was the profession of old mason's family?
- Who was Salim?
- 3. Who completed the mason's work?
- 4. Why was the mason happy at the end?
- Who was surprised to see Salim working?

C) Short answers:

 Why does the mason tell Salim, 'There is nothing I can teach you'? (Answer in 30-40 words.)

- 2. What was the mason's opinion?
- What did the mason's young son want to do?
- 4. What did old mason find in doing his work?
- 5. Why was the old mason saddened?

D) Long answers:

- Why did Gopal decide to leave home for Agra? Was he right in his decision? Give at least one reason for your answer.
- 2. Why did Salim want to continue his master's work?
- 3. Why was the old mason worried?