

Working with the Text

Q. 1 (i) What trees does Mr. Wonka mention? Which tree does he say lives the longest?

Ans Mr. Wonka mentions the Douglas fir, the oak, the cedar and the Bristlecone pine trees. He says the Bristlecone pine tree lives the longest.

Q. (ii) How long does this tree live? Where can you find it?

Ans This tree lives for more than 4000 years. We can find it on the Wheeler Peak, Nevada, U.S.A.

Q. 3. Why does Mr. Wonka collect items from the oldest things? Do you think this is the right way to begin his invention?

Ans Mr. Wonka collected items from the oldest things to invent a new medicine

that would make people old. I don't think this is the right way to invent something new. (2)

Q4 What happens to the volunteer who swallows four drops of the new invention. What is the name of the invention?

Ans After taking four drops of the new invention, the volunteer begins wrinkling and shrivelling up all over. His hair starts dropping off, his teeth start falling out. He suddenly becomes an old fellow of seventy-five. The name of the invention is Vita-Wonk.