MERCHANT OF VENICE ACT IV SCENE 1 Lines 200-300

Answer the following:-

- 1. What does Bassanio say Portia when he was asked if he was able to repay the money?
 - A. Bassanio said that he was ready to pay twice the sum and was also willing to pay ten times more if that was not enough.
- 2. What does Gratiano express to Antonio?
- A.Gratiano expresses that he wishes if his wife was dead.
- 3. Why does Bassanio say that ' Malice bears down truth.'
- A. Bassanio says that if Shylock is not prepared to accept more money it is clear that Shylock wants to take revenge.
- 4. What is Portia's opinion on the Venetian law?
- A. Portia asserts that there is no power in Venice which can change the law. It will set a bad example to do wrong things. If law could be amended then other mistakes will find their way into the state.
- 5. How does Shylock appreciate Portia?

A.Shylock praises Portia's skill and sense of justice. Shylock compares Portia with Daniel, a young judge sent by God to give judgement against the elders.