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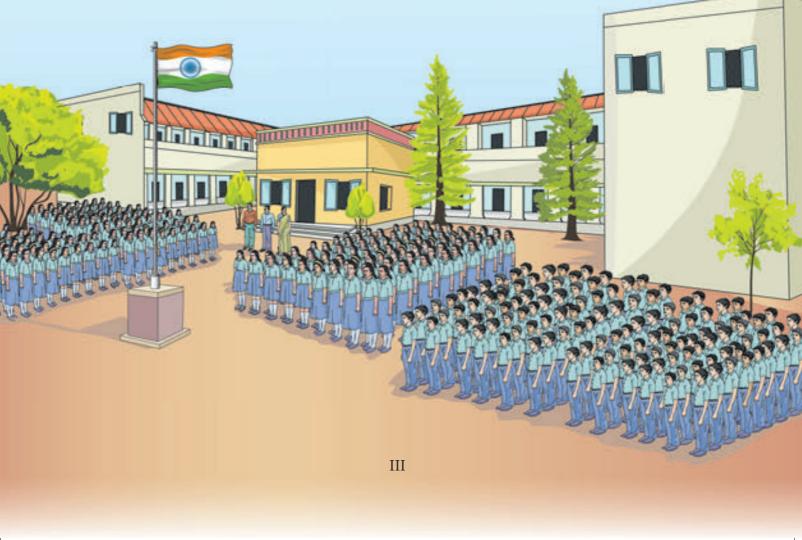
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### THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

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- Rabindranath Tagore.



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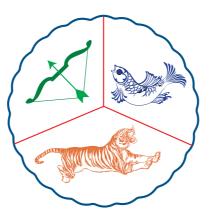
## தமிழ்த்தாய் வாழ்த்து

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உன் சீரிளமைத் திறம்வியந்து செயல்மறந்து வாழ்த்துதுமே! வாழ்த்துதுமே!

வாழ்த்துதுமே!

- 'மனோன்மணீயம்' பெ. சுந்தரனார்.



### தமிழ்த்தாய் வாழ்த்து – பொருள்

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அந்தத் திலகத்தில் இருந்து வரும் வாசனைபோல, அனைத்துலகமும் இன்பம் பெறும் வகையில் எல்லாத் திசையிலும் புகழ் மணக்கும்படி (புகழ் பெற்று) இருக்கின்ற பெருமைமிக்க தமிழ்ப் பெண்ணே! தமிழ்ப் பெண்ணே! என்றும் இளமையாக இருக்கின்ற உன் சிறப்பான திறமையை வியந்து உன் வயப்பட்டு எங்கள் செயல்களை மறந்து உன்னை வாழ்த்துவோமே! வாழ்த்துவோமே! வாழ்த்துவோமே!





### THE NATIONAL INTEGRATION PLEDGE

"I solemnly pledge to work with dedication to preserve and strengthen the freedom and integrity of the nation."

"I further affirm that I shall never resort to violence and that all differences and disputes relating to religion, language, region or other political or economic grievances should be settled by peaceful and constitutional means."

### A STUDENT'S VOW BEFORE MOTHER INDIA

Name :

Class :

School :

"I shall overcome the obstacles raised by caste and communal prejudices and work for the greatness of my Motherland putting to the fullest use the benefits that I derive through education.

Vandae mataram!





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# Preface

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The overall aim of Communicative English for Class XII is to develop the communicative competence of learners as opposed to linguistic competence. Hence authentic materials have been given priority in this textbook as was done in Class XI. These materials will influence the quality of classroom interaction and language use. They include extracts from media, magazines, journals or books etc. The textbook has been prepared keeping in mind the consistent needs and interests of the learners and in tune with the social and cultural context in which they will be used. The focus is to equip the learners with essential language skills and give them confidence to use them effectively in real-life situations. The materials are sensitive to perspectives of equality (gender and societal) and harmony (between humans, and between humans and nature), given that a quantum of independent reading is expected.

Emphasis is on study skills such as note-making, note-taking and reference skills and spoken and written communication skills such as public speaking, interviewing, and debating, rather than on writing essays on well-worn topics. Exposure to well-known speeches and the structure of arguments has been analysed. Grammar serves as a tool for increasing the language repertoire and for understanding the construction of text - rhetoric and argumentation.

ICT corner will kindle the learner's interest to go beyond the textbook. This corner is a digital resource with adequate learning material. The additional information and reference skill will equip the learners to achieve effective learning and project completion.

Finally evaluation must be 'proficiency' rather than 'achievement' oriented, i.e. designed not to test the mastery of studied passages, but rather the ability to use the language appropriately in new contexts.

The syllabus has been prepared according to the recommendations of the National Curriculum Framework 2005.



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### How To Use The Book

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- Class XII Communicative English textbook has been designed based on themes, with selections from authentic, true-to-life materials. Embedded in the course are universal values and social justice with focus on the inherent diversity of India. They involve different kinds of texts and the activities have been built around them.
- Warm up activities are designed to introduce the theme and the essence of the unit.
- The focus is concentration on use and appropriacy rather than simply on language form.
- Emphasis is on fluency- focused rather than accuracy-focused activities.
- Communication tasks are to be performed through the language rather than exercises on the language.
- Necessary scaffoldings are provided to help learners to build their abilities in creative writing. Focus is on a plethora of writing forms accompanied by guidelines, samples and checklists.
- Appreciation will be for variation in language rather than uniformity of language structure.
- Linking LSRW skill based activity will reduce the curriculum load while providing learning experience that is creative and participative.
- Students have to take the initiative and interact, rather than wait for directions from the teacher.
- The learners should contribute as much as they gain and interact primarily with each other rather than with the teacher.
- The teachers have to take on several roles that of a facilitator, participant, manager, instructor and guide so that learning takes place through individual, pair or group activities.

### Learning Outcomes

### Listnening and Speaking

### Students will be able to

- engage in oral exchanges of ideas through discussions, debates etc.
- participate actively and effectively in group work as presenter or facilitator
- deliver a speech with clarity, coherence suitable for purpose and audience
- respond to activities embedded in appropriate and meaningful context
- speak fluently with correct phonic skills

### Reading

### Students will be able to

- develop inferential abilities and rich vocabulary to enhance learner's word power
- respond in writing to works of fiction and non-fiction
- identify essential nuances in poem
- read and explore works from various genre
- record or store information for easy retrieval

### Writing

### Students will be able to

- engage in meaningful formal and informal writing tasks using all stages of the writing process, in class and at home
- ✤ write in clear, understandable and accurate language
- use language and style appropriate to the purpose and audience
- organize and order words, sentences and paragraphs in an essay with an introduction, coherent body and a conclusion that summarizes the topic
- proofread various areas such as sentence structure, grammar and punctuation
- evaluate their own writing according to the established rubrics

### Grammar

### Students will be able to

- understand the concepts that are graded systematically and explained with examples followed by exercises
- ◆ gain a thorough grounding in grammar that is functional and communicative
- edit passages with focus on accuracy

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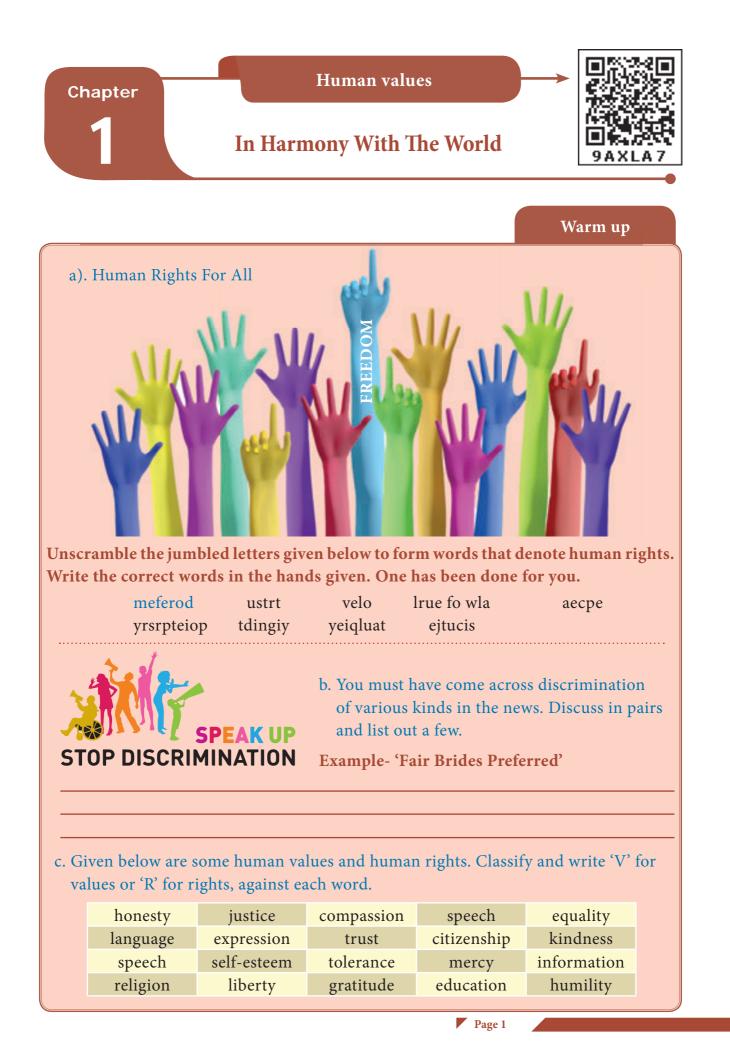


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a. Read the following passage.

"There's always room for a story that can transport people to another place."

- J.K.Rowling

Short stories capture human values evolving from wide ranging incidents and episodes. Each of the stories given below has a specific goal; to teach unique values that are truly valuable in life.

### **Positive Thinking**

This **parable** is told of a farmer who owned an old mule. The mule fell into the farmer's well. The farmer heard the mule praying or whatever mules do when they fall into wells.

After carefully **assessing** the situation, the farmer sympathized with the mule, but decided that neither the mule nor the well was worth the trouble of saving. Instead, he called his neighbours together, told them what had happened, and **enlisted** them to help **haul** dirt to bury the old mule in the well and put him out of his misery.

Initially the old mule was **hysterical**! But as the farmer and his neighbours continued shovelling and the dirt hit his back, a thought struck him. It suddenly dawned on him that every time a shovel load of dirt landed on his back, HE WOULD SHAKE IT OFF AND STEP UP!

This he did, blow after blow. "Shake it off and step up... shake it off and step up... shake it off and step up!" He Communicative English Page 2 repeated to encourage himself. No matter how painful the blows, or how **distressing** the situation seemed, the old mule fought panic and just kept right on SHAKING IT OFF AND STEPPING UP!

It wasn't long before the old mule, **battered** and exhausted, stepped triumphantly over the wall of that well! What seemed like it would bury him actually helped him ... all because of the manner in which he handled his adversity.

THAT'S LIFE! If we face our problems and respond to them positively, and refuse to give in to panic, bitterness, or self-pity, life becomes meaningful.

#### Selflessness

Once upon a time, there lived a big mango tree. A little boy loved to come and play around it every day.

He climbed to the tree top, ate the mangoes, and took a nap under the shade. He loved the tree and the tree loved to play with him.

Time went by... The little boy grew, and he no longer played around the tree.

One day, the boy came back to the tree with a sad look on his face.

"Come and play with me," the tree asked the boy.

"I am no longer a kid; I don't play around trees anymore." The boy replied, "I want toys. I need money to buy them."

"Sorry, I don't have money, but you can pick all my mangoes and sell them so you will have money."

The boy was so excited. He picked all the mangoes on the tree and left happily. The boy didn't come back. The tree was sad.

One day, the boy, now a grown man, returned. The tree was so excited.

"Come and play with me," the tree said.

"I don't have time to play. I have to work for my family. We need a house for shelter. Can you help me?"

"Sorry, I don't have a house, but you can chop off my branches to build your house."

So the man cut all the branches off the tree and left happily. The tree was glad to see him happy but the man didn't return afterwards. The tree was again lonely and sad.

One hot summer day, the man returned and the tree was delighted.

"Come and play with me!" the tree said.

"I am sad and getting old. I want to go sailing to relax myself. Can you give me a boat?"

"Use my trunk to build your boat. You can sail far away and be happy."

So the man cut the tree trunk to make a boat. He went sailing and didn't return for a long time.

Finally, the man returned after he had been gone for many years.

"Sorry, my boy, but I don't have anything for you anymore. No more mangoes to give you." the tree said.

"I don't have teeth to bite," the man replied.

"No more trunk for you to climb on."

"I am too old for that now," the man said.

"I really can't give you anything– the only thing left is my dying roots," the tree said with sadness.

"I don't need much now, just a place to rest. I am tired after all these years," the man replied.

"Good! Old tree roots are the best place to lean on and rest. Come sit down with me and rest."

The man sat down and the tree was glad and smiled.

The tree in the story represents our parents. When we are young, we love to play with them. When we grow up, we leave them and only return when we need help. Parents sacrifice everything for us, like the tree.

All experiences teach us something. A valuable lesson can be learnt from these stories. The short story then can be equated with situations in life and values can be established, which in turn motivate us. The moral and ethical principles imparted through these short stories help in influencing behaviour and priorities in life.

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beaten

battered (v)

### b. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following briefly.

- 1. What was the decision taken by the farmer after assessing the situation?
- 2. What help did the farmer ask from his neighbours?
- 3. How did the mule face the situation?
- 4. How did the mango tree fascinate the little boy?
- 5. What do we learn from the mango tree?

### c. Complete the sequence in the following table showing the five stages in the boy's life and his affinity to the tree.

S.No.	Stages in the boy's life	His needs	Tree's response
1	little boy	loved to play around the tree	
2	young boy		the tree gives its mangoes to be sold
3	middle aged man		the tree gives its branches to build a house
4	old man	sad, old and wanted to go sailing and relax	
5	very old man		

d. Read the following poem carefully.

### **Be A Friend**

- By Edgar Albert Guest

Be a friend. You don't need money;

Just a disposition sunny;

Just the wish to help another

Get along some way or other;

Just a kindly hand extended

Out to one who's unbefriended;

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Just the will to give or lend, This will make you someone's friend.

Be a friend. You don't need glory. Friendship is a simple story. Pass by trifling errors blindly, Gaze on honest effort kindly, Cheer the youth, who's bravely trying, Pity him who's sadly sighing; Just a little labour spend On the duties of a friend.

Be a friend. The pay is bigger (Though not written by a figure) That is earned by people clever In what's merely self-endeavour. You'll have friends instead of neighbours For the profits of your labours; You'll be richer in the end Than a prince, if you're a friend.



### e. Complete the summary of the poem given below with suitable words.

In the first stanza, the poet explains that it doesn't cost any ...... to be a ..... We just need to be ....., helpful and be willing to ...... to others. The second stanza links to some of the ...... of friendship. We should ..... our friends' little mistakes ..... in them whatever they are trying to do and feel ...... when they are sad. Lastly, the third stanza points out that although ...... people who work for their own benefit do earn a lot of ....., we can earn more valuable wealth by being ...... Then, all of our ...... will be our friends and that makes us richer than a .....

f. The poet uses certain expressions in the poem to suggest something to the readers. Study the suggestions given in the box. Choose an apt one that fits the expressions given in the table.

money earned	silly mistakes	hard work	selfish
self striving	helping nature	a happy character	

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Expressions	Suggestions
1) a disposition sunny	1) a happy character
2) hand extended	
3) trifling errors	
4) merely self endeavour	
5) profits of your labour	

### Language Study

a. Match the Synonyms in box A with their antonyms in box B.

Α	В
Synonyms	Antonyms
equality	demote
segregation	illegal
promote	disrespect
respect	congregation
legal	injustice
justice	inequality

- b. Using a dictionary, find the synonyms and antonyms for the words given below.
  - 1. dignity
  - 2. arbitrary
  - 3. deprived
  - 4. prejudice
  - 5. emancipation
  - 6. fundamental
  - 7. discrimination
  - 8. security
  - 9. isolation
  - 10. betrayal

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# Grammar



### **QUESTION TAGS**

a. Choose suitable question tags given in the boxes and tag them to the sentences given below.

have you?	was he?
aren't you?	can't we?
wasn't it?	do you?
isn't he?	can they?
have I?	isn't it?

- 1.We can employ the local youth in our company, .....
- 2. Ranga is very sincere in his effort,
- 3. It was raining cats and dogs yesterday,
- 4. Harish wasn't here to attend the meeting,
- 5. You usually do not come late to school,
- 6. I haven't seen a movie for ages,
- 7. It is impossible to escape from the dust storm, .....
- 8. You are struggling to learn a new language, .....

- 9. They cannot deny justice to the tribals,
- 10. Selvi, you have not done your homework, .....
- b. Complete the following using question tags.
- 1. Shalu cooked a delicious meal last night,
- 2. You are very serious about starting a business, .....
- 3. Soni could swim well, .....
- 4. Hari had toiled day and night to enter the mountaineering institute in Darjeeling,
- 5. This book appeals to all the sections of students, .....
- c. Provide suitable sentences for the following question tags.
- ...., am I?
   ...., doesn't he?
   ...., does she?
   ...., hasn't he?
   ...., shouldn't they?
- d. Complete the following conversation by supplying question tags.

**Shanthi:** There is an article in the newspaper about the transfer of an English teacher. You have read it, .....?

**Marudu:** Yes, the teacher came back much to the delight of the students, .....?

**Shanthi:** The joy of the students knew no bounds on seeing their favourite teacher, .....?

**Marudu:** The teacher was very popular among the students, .....?

Shanthi: The students and the parents protested against the transfer, .....?

**Marudhu:** The Department plans to speak to the parents and the students for an amicable solution, .....?

Shanthi: That's wonderful news,

### MODALS

a. A letter written by a mother to her daughter Kalyani is given below. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate modals given in brackets.

Dear Kalyani,



I am very happy to know that you have been selected to present a paper at the UNO. Congratulations! You ..... (used to / need to) have a break before the trip. Let me suggest a few things which will rejuvenate you during the break. You ...... (must / might) relax and ...... (shall / should) keep yourself calm and composed so that you ...... (can / must) collect and prepare materials for the presentation.

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I am sure you ..... (could / would) do a wonderful job. Regarding your travel plans, a word of advice is that you ..... (ought to / used to) be cautious of strangers, do not move away from your teammates. Help them at all times. By the way, if you had informed me earlier, I ..... (should have / could have) shared my ideas and helped you with the project. Take care of yourself and ...... ( might / may) you bring laurels to your school.

Wishing you all the best, With love, **Mummy**.

- b. Read the following words and phrases carefully and arrange them in meaningful sentences. The first word/ phrase has been given in bold.
- to grow / in life / they help us / Values/ important / because / develop / are / and
- 2) the future / to create / we want / **They** help us / to experience
- 3) individual / of decisions / is involved
   / Every / in making / every day / hundreds
- 4) reflection / and they are / The decisions
  / are a / directed towards / of our values
  / we make / a specific purpose / and beliefs / always

Listening

a. Listen to your teacher read a poem that glorifies the invaluable nature of human sympathy and answer the following questions by choosing the

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# most appropriate option. Before you answer, go through the questions thoroughly.

- 1) The tone of the poem is ......
  - a) slightly criticising.
  - b) slightly cautioning.
  - c) slightly moralising.
- 2) The poem represents two kinds of charity
  - a) Financial help and moral help.
  - b) Financial help and emotional support.
  - c) Emotional support and words of encouragement.
- 3) The speaker lay....
  - a) in want, grief and pain.
  - b) in grief and distress.
  - c) in sorrow and want.

4) The speaker was in ......

- a) a lot of debts.
- b) a lot of pain.
- c) a lot of trouble.
- 5) The proud man helped the speaker by.....
  - a) serving him with love.
  - b) giving him money.
  - c) speaking kind words.
- 6) "His looks were cold......" 'Cold' in this context refers to ......
  - a) stern eyes with understanding.
  - b) lack of affection or warmth of feeling.
  - c) the state of unhappiness.

- 7) The poor man's charity was more valuable to the speaker because ....
  - a) he treated the poet's injuries and gave him food and drink.
  - b) comforted him by talking to him.
  - c) he treated his injuries, gave him food and comforted him.
- 8) The speaker could not pay back the .....
  - a) gold given by the proud man.
  - b) gold given by the poor man.
  - c) kindness shown by the poor man.

Speaking

a. Study the picture carefully and present your interpretation. Give a caption for the picture.



- b. Read the following carefully and have a class room discussion.
- 1. Are women equal to men?
- 2. What are the habits that people think are appropriate for men but not for women?
- 3. Are there more female executives and managers than men? Why do you think this is so?

- 4. Are there different laws depending on gender?
- 5. Do men and women have equal rights to ancestral property?
- 6. Do you think our educational system is gender biased? Justify.
- 7. How has gender roles changed in the last 50 years?
- 8. Are there different barriers for men and women at work?
- 9. In what aspects of life do you think it's easier to be a woman than a man?

### c. DEBATE



You are already familiar with the art of debating. It involves discussions on a particular topic using the right language and expressions. Familiarise yourself with the following phrases and expressions.

### While starting the debate

Good Morning judges and audience... Respected teachers and dear friends...

#### **Introduce the Motion**

The motion for today's debate is ... I believe that what is meant by ... is ... When we say ... we mean ...

### Presenting views for or against

Let us first understand what ... Let me explain ... It goes without saying that ...

### Supporting with evidence

I can quote proofs from... There are a number of instances... In fact, you can find many examples...

### Summarizing the views

Therefore, I wish to sum up my views... By now you would have realized and agree with me ...

### **Concluding your views**

In short ... I'm confident my opponents... I'd like to conclude...

### When you give your rebuttal

I get your point, but I ... I'm afraid I can't argue with ... Sorry, you've misunderstood my point... Let me explain my stand, ...

Please wait a moment, let me respond to ...

Excuse me; Let me reiterate my stance... It's obvious ...

### Task

Women have the courage to change the course of history. We have read of such women from mythological and historical times and seen them shape our world in modern times, too.

There can be no development without equal participation of women and men in all spheres of life and at all levels.

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Being able to do more than one thing at a time is not easy. Women have however been able to multitask without much of a struggle, juggling between motherhood and career.

Many a time we are stuck in tedious arguments. Some argue that a stay-athome mother spends all her time with her child and shares a stronger bond, while the others believe that there is some truth in the adage "Distance makes the heart grow fonder."



Now with your partner/ group, analyse the pros and cons of stay-at-home mothers and working mothers and participate in a class debate organised by your teacher on the motion "Who makes a better home – a stay-at-home mother or a working mother?"



### MESSAGE

You have already learnt how to write a message in Class XI. Recall the format and the writing technique.

a. The following is a telephone conversation between Prabha and Karthik. After the call, Karthik has to leave for work and hence leaves a message for his roommate Dr.Vetri. Read the conversation and write the message in not more than 50 words.

Prabha: Hello, can I talk to Dr. Vetri?

**Karthik:** I am sorry; he is not here right now. May I know who is on the line?

**Prabha:** I am Prabha, a colleague of his, from the hospital where he works.

**Karthik:** Glad to speak to you. Would you like to leave a message for him?

**Prabha:** Yes, please. Inform him that the conference scheduled to be held in Madurai on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October has been postponed to the 15<sup>th</sup> of October. So he can come to Madurai by 14<sup>th</sup> evening, and I have also made the hotel booking too at Park Plaza.

**Karthik:** I will surely convey this message to him. Don't worry.

Prabha: Thank you.

b. Rachel and Shiela plan to go to a book fair at 10 a.m. But guests arrive unexpectedly at Rachel's house and therefore her mother asks her to stay back and help her. So she sends a message to Shiela expressing her inability to go to the book fair. Write the message for Rachel in not more than 50 words.

c. You are going to Salem. Your manager accompanies you to the airport to see you off. On reaching the airport you hear the following announcement: "Your attention please! Flight No. 133 flying from Chennai to Salem has been delayed by 30 minutes due to a technical snag. Passengers are requested to wait for further announcements. The inconvenience is regretted."

Now write a message to your father informing him of the delay and send it through your manager.

### SHORT PARAGRAPH

You have classified human rights and values in the beginning of this unit. Now, choose one of the values which you consider the most important for all human beings and write a short paragraph in about 100 words.

#### **REPORT WRITING**

Report writing has been dealt with in detail in Class XI. Recall those instructions and complete the following exercises.

a. You are a Special Reporter appointed by the Commission for Human Rights. This commission examines, monitors and publicly reports on various human rights violations. Recently you came across an incident where a domestic help, a boy of 18 years, has been facing multiple forms of violence in the hands of his employers. Write a report about it in about 120 to 150 words, to be submitted to the Commission, using the following hints.

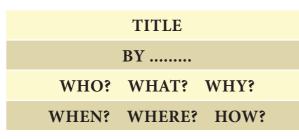
- beaten up and held captive
- accused of theft
- physically abused
- overworked and underpaid

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- starved and sleep deprived
- vulnerable due to lack of awareness and social security

**Note:** Try to be fair – include both sides of the story and don't let your personal opinion get in the way of reporting the facts.

# You may find the following outline useful.



b. You are the teacher counsellor of your school. You organised a workshop on 'Good Parenting' in your school to discuss various issues concerning the student community and the ways to tackle them. Write a detailed report of the workshop held.

### You will find the following inputs useful.

### Title

By (name)

Para 1	-	Name of the event and Chief Guest
(What, why,		Objective / purpose
When, where)		Date, time and place

- Para 2 Description of the event
- (How) Highlights of the programme
   (Contributions in the form of sharing their experiences, problems and suggestions)
   Chief Guest's address
   (appreciation / comments)

Para 3 – Conclusion, Vote of thanks Communicative English Page 12

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# The language tips given below will be helpful in writing a letter to the Editor

- The tone and style should be formal.
- Specify the purpose of writing.
- Express your ideas logically.
- Do not ask the editor to solve the problem.
- Request him to publish the letter to gain the attention of the authorities concerned.
- Conclude on an optimistic note.

a. You are concerned about the changing face of society, where people want to earn either by hook or by crook. They don't care if their acts are in agreement with moral values or not. Write a letter to the Editor of a national daily, in not more than 150 words, about the changing values and the importance to re-orient the concept of earning for need and not for greed. The following hints can be used.

### Present scenario...

- Forgotten values
- Loud late night parties, luxurious lifestyle
- Corruption at all levels
- Earning money through unfair means
- Match fixing in the field of sports
- Exploiting religious beliefs of people

### Solutions

- Need for reinstating values
- Value education to be made part of school curriculum
- Ways to preserve our culture and tradition
- Parents and teachers to be role models
- Transparency and accountability

### **Extensive Reading**

Long Walk to Freedom

A thousand Splendid Suns

A Hope More Powerful Than The Sea: One Refugee

Twenty Two Cents

Mother of 1084

Koogai (Translation)

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Poonachi (Translation)

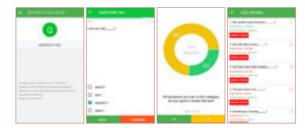
Goat Days (Translation)

- Nelson Mandela
- Khaled Hosseini
- Melisa Fleming
- Mohammed Yunus
- Mahaswetha Devi
- Cho Dharman
- Mark Twain
- Perumal Murugan
- Benyamin

ICT CORNER QUESTION TAGS To enable the students to check their knowledge in Question tags

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- 1. Access the application with the help of the link or the QR code which is given below and install it in the mobile
- 2. You can see the instructions about the quiz in the home page. A single practice session carries 15 questions.
- 3. Questions will be different every time you practice.
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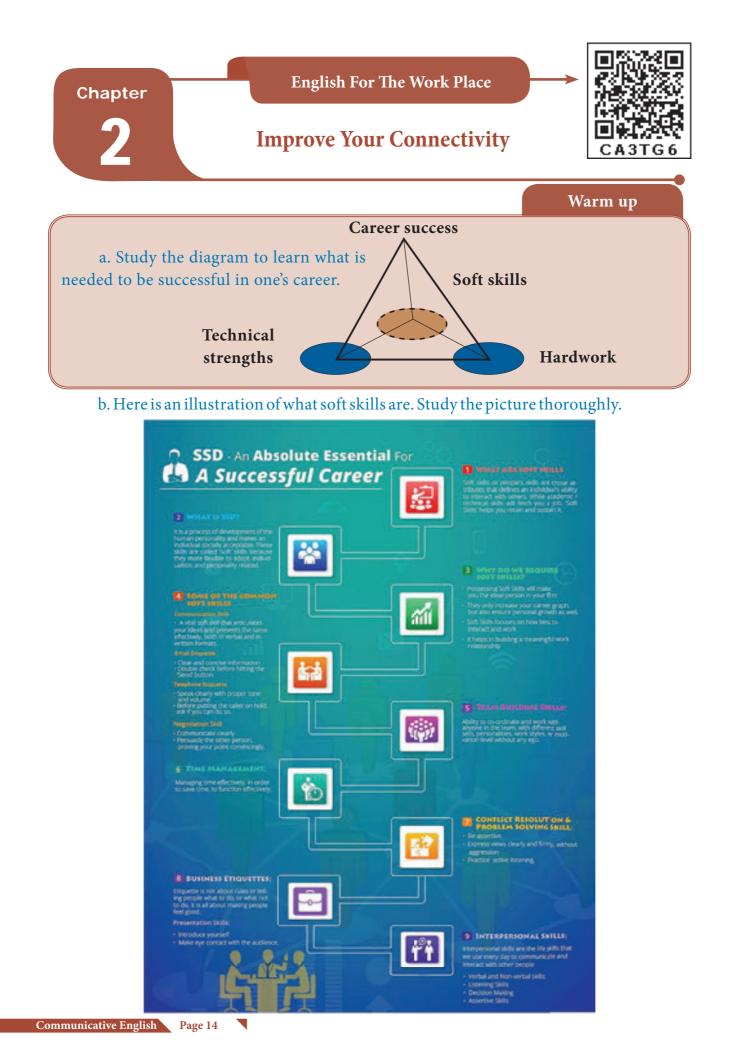
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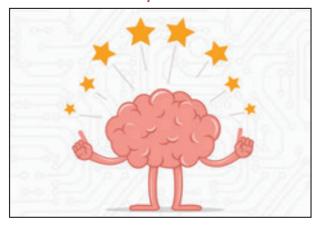


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c. Notice that those who have English skills have an edge over others, when they attend an interview.



Now list out a few soft skills that you think are necessary for one to succeed.



MUST-HAVE SOFT SKILLS



### a. Read the following passage carefully. Frankness Matters

1. Whether in an exam, interview, or life itself, we may not always have answers to all questions. Right from when we begin school, through college, and even into the working world, we are coached

to face questions with answers, to exhibit what we know, to fill the space between lines with words. When we encounter a question that we do not have an answer to, **panic** sets in. We feel **inadequate**, or are prompted to immediately search for the answer - this latter response is mostly a good thing. But sometimes, we refuse to recognize or admit that we don't know, and proceed to apply the most familiar of exam techniques- we **fudge**. Fudging can be a high art, and when done skilfully, can do a good job of persuading all but the most **discerning** examiner that you do know something.

Don't get me wrong here. I 2. am certainly not advocating fudging, although it is something most of us have been guilty of doing, when we encounter the unexpected question or one that we just haven't fully prepared for. In a written exam, it is possible to fudge and get away with, to some degree, but in a face-to-face situation, or in an interview, I wouldn't recommend it. In fact, it is good to get comfortable with the idea that we may not always have answers to all questions in an examination, interview, and life. There are also contexts where it is not expected that you have a ready answer for every question, where a bit of uncertainty is not just acceptable, but even welcome.

### Honesty matters

3. Take the typical interview. You may have questions that test your subject knowledge, assess your attitude, and get a sense of your skills. In terms of subject knowledge, there are some things that everyone who has studied a given subject

is expected to know basic theories and foundational concepts. But every field of knowledge is vast and complex, and one cannot know everything; nor is someone at the entry level expected to. So while facing an interview, it is important to be aware of what you can speak of with confidence, and what you are not too comfortable talking about. When faced with questions from this second area, you should be able to graciously admit that you don't know, or are not too sure.

4. Fudging as an answer in an interview can be disastrous. For one, interviewees are usually experienced enough to be able to tell when a candidate is just shooting the breeze. For another, if you really don't know the answer, you may get so involved in **faking** knowledge that you end up spinning a complicated web that you can't extricate yourself from. This may lead to follow-up questions that only make it worse. Instead, a simple "I'm afraid I don't know" could save you and your interviewers considerable misery and embarrassment.

Being able to say that you don't 5. know requires confidence and humility. It is important to prepare well for any test, and to try to cover as much ground as possible, but it is equally important to acknowledge that it is impossible to know everything, particularly when there may be questions that combine theory, application and strategy. A sincere response that acknowledges the current limits of one's knowledge yet indicates a willingness and interest to learn would go a long way in making a good impression.

Glossa	ıry	
panic (n)	-	sudden fear or anxiety
inadequate (adj.)	-	insufficient
fudge (n)	-	cover up
discerning (adj.)	-	judicious, enlightened
graciously (adv.)	-	pleasantly and

	kindly
faking (v)	- pretending, falsify
extricate (v)	- withdraw, free
humility (n)	- humbleness
acknowledge (v)	- accept, confess
strategy (n)	- plan of action

- b. On the basis of your understanding of the above passage, answer each of the questions given below by choosing the most appropriate option.
- 1. What happens when we do not know the answer to a question?
  - a. lethargy sets in b. panic sets in c. expectation rises
- 2. Fudging in a written examination
  - a. impresses people.
  - b. persuades the examiner that you know something.
  - c. improves your communication.
- 3. What are you expected to know in terms of subject knowledge in an interview?
  - a. the complexities of a subject
  - b. the basic theories and foundational concepts
  - c. to assess yourself

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- 4. One will not know everything about a subject at the entry level. Why?
  - a. because it is vast and complexb. because it needs a lot of hard work
  - c. because it might be dull and boring

# c. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words from the passage.

- 1. It can be disastrous ..... in a face to face.....
- 2. Interviewees are ..... enough to be able to tell that a candidate is just ......You cannot ..... yourself if you .....complicated web.
- 3. The two things that are required to say that you don't know something are .....and.....
- d. Pick out the words from the passage that mean the following.
  - 1. show(para 1)
  - 2. recommending (para 2)
  - 3. a feeling of awkwardness (para 4)
  - 4. utilization (para 5)

# e. Use the following words in sentences of your own.

- 1. uncertainty 3. spinning
- 2. strategy 4. impression

#### f. Read the following poem carefully.

#### THE BUILDERS

### HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW

All are architects of Fate, Working in these walls of Time; Some with massive deeds and great, Some with ornaments of rhyme. Nothing useless is, or low; Each thing in its place is best; And what seems but idle show Strengthens and supports the rest.

For the structure that we raise, Time is with materials filled; Our to-days and yesterdays Are the blocks with which we build.

Truly shape and fashion these; Leave no yawning gaps between; Think not, because no man sees, Such things will remain unseen.

In the elder days of Art, Builders **wrought** with greatest care Each minute and unseen part; For the Gods see everywhere.

Let us do our work as well, Both the unseen and the seen; Make the house, where Gods may **dwell**, Beautiful, entire, and clean.

Else our lives are incomplete, Standing in these walls of Time, Broken stairways, where the feet Stumble as they seek to climb.

Build to-day, then, strong and sure, With a firm and **ample** base; And ascending and secure Shall to-morrow find its place.

Thus alone can we **attain** To those **turrets**, where the eye Sees the world as one vast plain, And one boundless reach of sky.

Glossar	y
wrought (v) -	made or
	fashioned in a
	specified way
dwell (v) -	live in or at a
	specified place
ample (adj.) -	enough
attain (v) -	succeed in
	achieving
turret (n) -	a small tower at
	the corner of a
	castle wall

### g. Answer the following briefly.

- 1. What does the poet mean by the architects of fate?
- 2. What advice does the poet give to build a good life?
- 3. Explain "Leave no yawning gaps between."
- 4. When does our house become fit for the Gods to dwell?
- 5. How can one shape one's tomorrow?
- 6. Find the literary devices in the given lines.
  - a. Working in these walls of time
  - b. Strengthens and supports the rest
- 7. Identify the rhyme scheme of the poem.
- 8. Find the antonyms for the following words from the poem.
  - a) active
  - b) younger
  - c) weak
  - d) limited

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# 9. Make sentences of your own with the following expressions.

- a) architects of fate
- b) yawning gap
- c) wrought with greatest care
- d) unseen and the seen

# h. Fill in the blanks with the words from the poem.

According to the poet, everything is the

(1) in its place, nothing is (2)
What looks (3) today
can (4)and (5) the rest
tomorrow. In the olden days (6)
used to take greatest care whether (7)
or (8) because (9)
presence is felt (10)

### Language study

#### a. Do you know these people?

- 1.One who studies the stars and other spatial phenomena -
  - (a) geologist
  - (b) astronomer
  - (c) anthropologist
- 2. One who studies plant life -
  - (a) botanist
  - (b) zoologist
  - (c) biologist
- 3. One who studies insect life -
  - (a) sociologist
  - (b) etymologist
  - (c) entomologist
- 4. Collector of books -
  - (a) bibliophile
  - (b) anglophile
  - (c) anaphase

5. One who does ch	narity -	6. <b>Oath</b>	a persoi	n who is on
<ul><li>(a) psychiatri</li><li>(b) philanthr</li><li>(c) psycholog</li></ul>	opist	7. Affidavit		ning of ss by the
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<ol> <li>Ad hoc</li> <li>Sine die</li> <li>Alma mater</li> <li>Sub Judice</li> </ol>	at first glance in disguise I have found it. writ to bring	9. Warrant	a notary claim w that son	
5. Eureka	someone to the court mode of working	10. Chamber	illegal s a promi truth	se to tell the
6. Extempore	without assigning a day	d. Fill in the b below in th		ords given
7. Habeas Corpus		conviction	bail	summons
8. Incognito	still under judicial	jurisdiction	verdict	docket
	consideration	counsel	indictment	prosecute
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6. The legal authority of a court to hear and decide a certain type of case is ....... Page 19 Improve Your Connectivity

the crime is .....

4. Bench trial

5. Juror

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put off trial until

another time

judge's office

7. To charge someone with a cr	rime is <b>pedagogue</b> - a teacher, especially a strict or pedantic one
<ul><li>8. The decision of a jury and jud determines the final outcome of case is</li><li>9. A legal advice is</li></ul>	ge that mentor - a person who gives f a civil a younger or less experienced person help and advice
10. A document notifying a det that he is required at the c	ourt is especially at work or school
e. Look at a few terms used in the education and use them in com the sentences that follow.	pletinginstitutionholistic-dealing with or
<b>pedagogy</b> - the method and practice of teach especially as an academic subje	ning, someone and not just a part ct or
theoretical conc <b>didactics</b> - the art or scienc teaching	- 1 Howas known for biowit
vocational - relating to an occupation or employment	<ol> <li>The school has many</li> <li>clubs.</li> <li>With the development of modern</li> </ol>
humanities - academic discip that study aspec human society a	lines, teaching strategy is ts of increasingly attracting people's
culture assimilation - the process of taking in and fu	4. I assume that she has a normal child's capacity of and imitation.
understanding information or i	5. He needed a to teach him about the world of politics.
erudition - the quality of having or showi great knowledge learning extramural - outside the wall	e or is to prepare students to meet the challenges of living as well as academics
boundaries of a or a city	
collegiate - of or relating to college	a 8. This year my favourite is my English teacher.

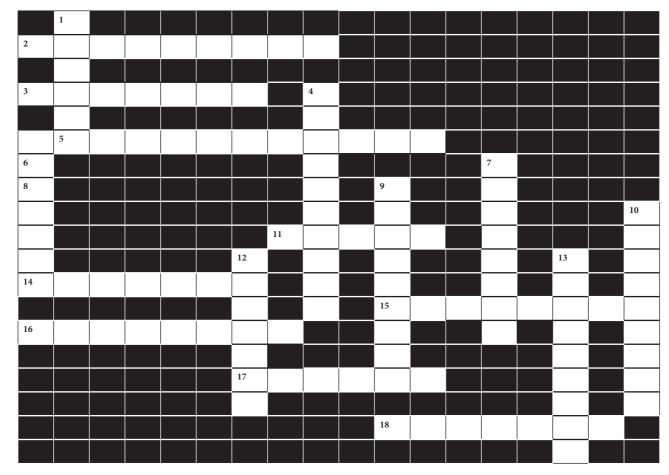
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### f. Solve the cross word puzzle with the help of the clues given.

### Across

- School Education for children after age 11 (9)
- 3. School Education for children aged 5-11 (7)
- 5. The work of an engineer (11)
- 8. To go to a place, school or university (6)
- 11. Someone who teaches (5)
- 14. The study of natural world like Biology, Physics, and Chemistry(7)
- 15. The study of treatment for illness (8)
- 16. To complete a first university degree(8)
- 17. To study a subject before a test (6)
- 18. A meeting of a group of people to discuss or study a subject (7)

### Down

- 1. A qualification given after completing a university course ( 6)
- 4. group of subjects studied in a school or college or university (10)
- 6. The land that surrounds a college or university (6)
- 7. Related to subjects which involve thinking and studying skills (8)
- 9 The study of trade, money and industry (9)
- 10. A teacher in a university (9)
- 12. A formal talk to a group of students(7)
- 13 The person in charge of a school or college (9)

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g. Match the following words with their meanings.

1. Soliloquy	(a) talking
	indirectly in
	a roundabout
	manner
2. Ventriloquism	(b) informal
	expression use
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- 3. Colloquialism
- (b) informal expression used in everyday conversation
- lism (c) art of speaking without moving your lips

self'

4. Circumlocution (d) talking or a speech 'to one



### TENSES

We have learnt about tenses in detail in the earlier classes. Let us do some exercises.

# a. Fill in the blanks with the correct tense form of the verb given in brackets.

I ..... (be) in London sometime ago on a short visit and ..... (happen) to witness an incident. A very trivial one, but it ..... (set) me thinking. I ..... (take) a walk in one of the suburbs and there ..... (be) this teenage girl ahead of me ..... (take) her pup for a walk. The pup ..... (decide) to use that moment to relieve itself. The girl ..... (take) a paper bag from her pocket, ..... (clean) up the mess and then ..... (walk) onto the nearest bin to dispose of it! What .....(impress) me ..... (be), this .....(be) a teenager. This ...... (be) an age when there ..... (be) a natural Communicative English Page 22

tendency to rebel, but this civic sense ...... (be) so deeply ...... (ingrain) in her that she never ...... (give) a second thought to it.

### b. Complete the passage by choosing the correct form of the verb from the options given.

We Indians.....(took/take/taken) pride in our rich civilisation, history and culture. But sad to say, we find that most people ..... (lack/lacking/ lacked) in civic sense when it comes to public cleanliness, ..... (form/ forming/ formed) queues or even when ..... (driven/drove/driving) vehicles. Cleanliness and discipline must be ..... (inculcate/inculcating/ inculcated) in children in their formative years. We ..... (were/ are/ have) used to throwing garbage in public places. We ..... (have encouraged/ are encouraged/ will encourage) to be more disciplined and ..... (followed/ follow/ following) rules but in trashy places we ..... (became/ become/ will become) trashy ourselves. No city in our country .....(had managed/ has managed/ is managing) to fight the garbage menace. Civic sense ...... (are/ is/ has) the need of the hour.

c. Hari is attending an interview. Given below is an excerpt of his interview. It is incomplete. Complete it with verbs in the proper tense with the help of the words in brackets.

### Interviewer : Good Morning, Hari.

Hari : Good Morning, Sir.

Interviewer : I ..... (be) Ramamurthy, the General Manager. Ι .....(see) that currently you ..... (work) at ABC International as a Senior Sales Manager. What responsibilities ..... (do) you ..... (have) there?

Hari

: Well, on a day to day basis, I .....(deal) with customers and .....(handle) all cash transactions. However in the last six months, I.....(give) other responsibilities like ..... (take) customer complaints and ..... (supervise) stock levels. Interviewer : I see. So you .....

- (have) experience with .....(purchase) stock as well.
- : Yes, Sir. I .....(be) Hari always on the move. I .....(keep)..... (travel)to all the main cities.
- **Interviewer** : Great. We .....(get) back to you in a week, Hari. Hari : Thank you, Sir.

### d. Rewrite the following paragraph correcting the underlined errors.

While several destinations is coming up with measures to counter the effects of over-tourism, New Zealand was gently urging travellers to be much responsible. The country's tourism industry have

launched a initiative 'Tiaki-Care for New Zealand', who invites visitors to care for its unique land and environment. The Tiaki Promise encourage visitors to experience the country in a way that protects the nature environment, respect all cultures and preserves the country on future generations. Tiaki means to care for and protect in New Zealand native language, Te Reo Maori. In Maori culture, them believe all things were interconnected; peoples and land are ones.

### e. Complete the following by filling in the correct form of the word in brackets.

My father (1).....(like) fishing very much. Every Sunday morning, he (2).....(go) fishing by the river. There (3).....(be) many different kinds of fishes in the river. If my father (4)..... (catch) a small fish, he will release it in the river. Sometimes when he (5)..... (be)lucky enough to get a big fish, he (6).....(bring) it home for dinner.

This morning, my father and my brother(7).....(go) fishing together by the river. They (8).....(promise) Mom to bring home a big fish. In the morning, they (9).....(buy)some bait from the market. As soon as they reached the river, they (10).....(start) fishing. They (11).....(wait) for two hours patiently, but they (12).....(not catch) any fish. (13).....(be) grey clouds in There the sky and it looked like it was going to rain. Therefore, they (14).....(leave) empty-handed.

Then, they (15).....(be) at the market again. However, this time they (16)..... (not get)any bait. Instead they (17)..... (buy) a big fish.

At the moment, Mom (18)..... (prepare) dinner in the kitchen. She (19).....(cook) the fish. Dad and my brother(20).....(watch) a football match on TV now.

# f. Put the verb in brackets in the correct form.

### Moving house

I come from a very large family and recently my parents ...... (decide) that they ..... (spend) long enough living in an overcrowded house in Chennai. "We ..... (move) to the country", my father ...... (announce) one evening. "I ...... (sell) this house and we ...... (live) on a farm".

So last week we ..... (load) all our belongings into two hired vans, and for the last few days we ..... (try) to organise ourselves in our new home. Yesterday, for example, my two brothers and I ..... (start) painting the upstairs rooms. Unfortunately, while I ..... (mix) the paint, one of my brothers ...... (open) the door.

Nobody ..... (tell) him that we ..... (be) in the room. So instead of painting the walls, we ..... (spend) all morning cleaning paint off the floor.

But worse things ..... (happen) since then. This morning, when I Communicative English Page 24 ..... (wake) up, water ..... (drip) through the ceiling next to my bed. We ......(spent) the last five hours repairing the roof. It is not all bad news though. The school in the village nearby ...... (close) down two years ago, and my parents ...... (not find) another school for us yet.



#### **COMMENTARIES**

- a. Listen to your teacher reading a commentary on the Republic Day Parade of our country at New Delhi and answer the questions given below.
- b. Based on your listening, fill in the blanks with correct words.
- 1. There are ..... commentators and they are speaking from ....., New Delhi.
- 2. Rajpath is a ..... path which means ..... and runs through the heart of .....
- 3. India's ..... capability, .....and social heritage are ..... in this grand parade.
- 4. This year's Republic Day Celebration is .....on account of the .....of ten ASEAN leaders as ......of .....
- 5. Forty four ..... drawn from different army centres played the ....., the cavalry brigade and the Army star '.....'.



from the

(a) host country.

(a) a fly past.

(b) guest countries.

(c) SAARC countries.

(b) a floral formation.

(c) an army tableau.

4. The parade traditionally ends with

### c. Choose the right answer.

1. The President hoists the

- (a) army flag.
- (b) services flag.
- (c) national flag.
- 2. Children are awarded on 26th January for
  - (a) art and literature.
  - (b) bravery and courage.
  - (c) academic achievement.

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### d) Match the following.

### A

- 1 Reversed rifle topped by a helmet
- 2 Presenting the arms
- 3 Sounding the rouse
- 4 Reversal of the arms
- 5 Prime Minister lays the wreath at

#### e) Complete the following sentences.

- 1. The President's body guard personnel are trained \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Eminent personalities from various fields are awarded Padma\_\_\_\_\_,
   \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, by the President on this day at New Delhi.

### B

3. Seven hundred students performed

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Speaking

### **ROLE PLAY - INTERVIEW**

An imaginary interview with a famous author Anil Sharma

- **Interviewer** : Welcome sir, How are you?
- Anil Sharma : Fine, thank you. How are you do?
- **Interviewer** : Well, nice to meet you.

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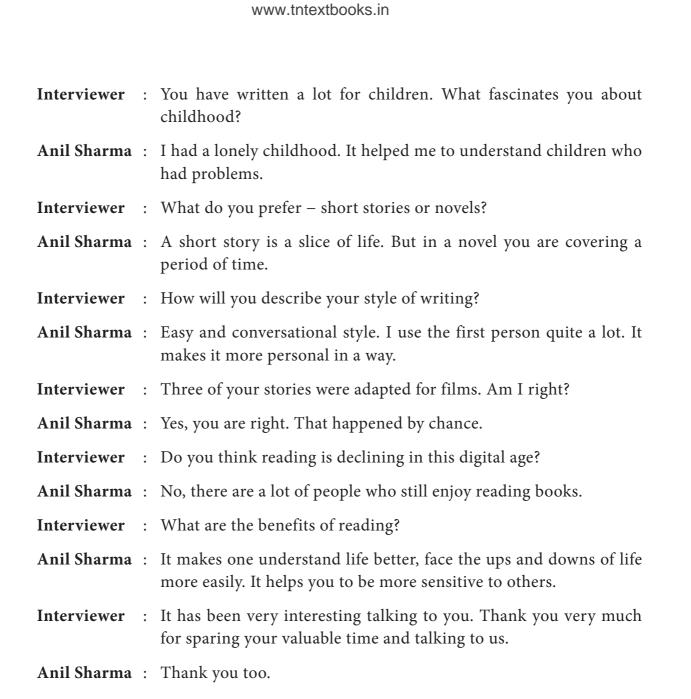
Anil Sharma	:	Glad to meet you, too.
Interviewer	:	What is your first piece of writing that got published?
Anil Sharma	:	I was 16, when Illustrated Weekly of Media published my first story soon after I left school. It was a funny story about a child.
Interviewer	:	please tell me something about your parents.
Anil Sharma	:	My parents are from Himachal Pradesh and there was a great deal of differences in their interests. While one was interested in books, the other was fond of travelling.
Interviewer	:	Who introduced you to books?
Anil Sharma	:	During my early childhood, we were in Delhi. My father was very attached to me and spent a lot of time with me. He introduced me to books and films. I was only ten years old when he died. It was a traumatic experience and for two or three years I became a recluse and books were my only companions.
Interviewer	:	How did you do in your studies?
Anil Sharma	:	I loved to study English and History but hated Maths. I used to read a lot of books in the school library. You could say I was self-taught.
Interviewer	:	Did it take long for your first novel, "The Flying Frog" to get published?
Anil Sharma	:	Yes! A couple of years. On my mother's suggestion I went to England when I was 17 and took up various jobs there. I would write when I came home in the evenings.
Interviewer	:	What made you return to India?
Anil Sharma	:	I missed my friends. I came back purely for emotional reasons.
Interviewer	:	Did it affect your writing career?
Anil Sharma	:	I would write four or five short stories and articles every month and send them to magazines and newspapers in the country.
Interviewer	:	You were making a modest living out of freelancing, weren't you?
Anil Sharma	:	Well, I did briefly take up jobs. But I wanted to concentrate on my writing.
Interviewer	:	Why did you settle down in Ooty?
Anil Sharma	:	I needed peace so that I could write without interruption. I have written many of my best stories there.

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#### Task – 1

You are a reporter from the magazine 'First Line'. Interview Colonel Ratna Deep, from the Indian Army, who was awarded Shourya Chakra for gallantry this year.

#### Use the following hints:

Colonel's early childhood – education, interest in armed forces – career – exposure, experiences – awards and achievements – message to the youth.

#### **Task – 2**

You are the captain of your school's cricket team. Interview Kumara Singam, a famous cricket commentator for your school magazine. Use the hints given below:

Kumara Singam's passion – when it started – his role models – how many live commentaries – his commentaries abroad – nuances learnt – tips for budding commentators – his knowledge about the game – best moments

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#### Task – 3

You are a music critic who writes music reviews, which are published in the dailies. Mrs. Gayathri is a veena exponent. Meet and interview her on her childhood

Writing

her gurus – first recital – achievements
awards – her hobbies – her family –
support – her travels – favourite ragas –
her role model – her ambitions

#### **JOB APPLICATION**

A job application is a formal letter, sent along with a resume to give details about an applicant's personal information, qualifications, skills and experience for the post applied.

An application for a job has two components:

- i) A covering letter
- ii) A Resume / Bio data / Curriculum Vitae

#### The covering letter has the same format as an official letter.

#### While writing the content

- Be brief.
- Mention the source from where you got the information about the vacancy you are applying for.
- Give a brief summary of your qualifications academic and professional, along with the additional skills relevant to the post applied for.
- Conclude with a promising and positive note and express your wish to attend an interview.
- After the signature, list the documents enclosed under the title 'Encl.'

#### The Bio-data should include

- Name
- Date of Birth
- Address
- Contact Ph. No
- Mail ID
- Educational qualification course of study, year of passing, institution
- Work Experience –Latest to the previous places of work with designation and years of service
- Professional skills

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- Hobbies and Interests.
- References (at least 2)

Name: Designation: Contact:

### Sample Application for a job

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1. You came across a vacancy for the post of an Editor in a private publishing house. You feel you are eligible and decide to apply. Forward your application to the Human Resources Manager of the publishing house along with your biodata.

2. You see a job advertisement in the Employment Opportunities for the post of a Maths teacher in a private school and you decide to apply for the said post. Write a letter to the Principal of the school along with your bio-data.

#### **FILLING IN FORMS**

#### We learnt to fill in forms in Class XI. Let us look at some more forms.

## OPTICAL MARK RECOGNITION (OMR) FORMS

Every college or university has to deal with lots of admission forms every year. Checking each admission form manually is a big task and hence most institutes issue OMR admission forms to the students. The advantage of this type of admission form is that it becomes a soft copy automatically when it is scanned. With a good OMR software and a normal scanner, it is possible to evaluate huge numbers of admission forms easily.

#### Instructions to Fill OMR Admission Form

The admission form asks for more detailed information. Along with the name, date of birth and other such basic information, it also requires information like names of the students' parents, marks acquired by the student, etc. As this information would be recorded with the institute, it is important that mistakes are not made while filling the form. Therefore, it is essential to know about the rules of filling the OMR admission form.

- The students should take several photocopies of the admission form before filling up the actual form. It would be best to practise on these photocopies first. This would prevent the occurrence of unnecessary errors on the original form.
- Remember that a tampered OMR admission form cannot be scanned properly. Ensure that it is not folded.
- Always use a black or blue ballpoint pen for filling the form. Most institutes specify the colour of the pen to be used on the form.
- Never use a stapler on the form. If you have to attach your photograph on the form, always do it with glue.
- The circles that you have to fill should be completely shaded. Light or halffilled circles would not be read by the scanner software.

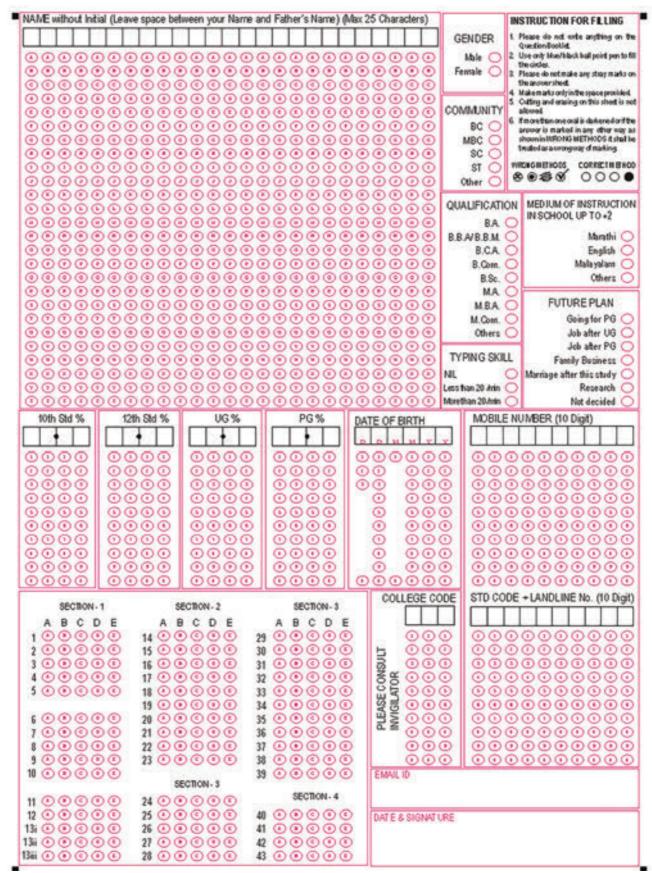
The OMR admission form is a document that would help you to secure admission in a college or university. Hence, make sure that you fill the form carefully without making any errors.



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#### Here is a sample form.



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Once you complete your school education you have to fill in application forms to gain admission in colleges/ universities. So let's take a look at one such form.

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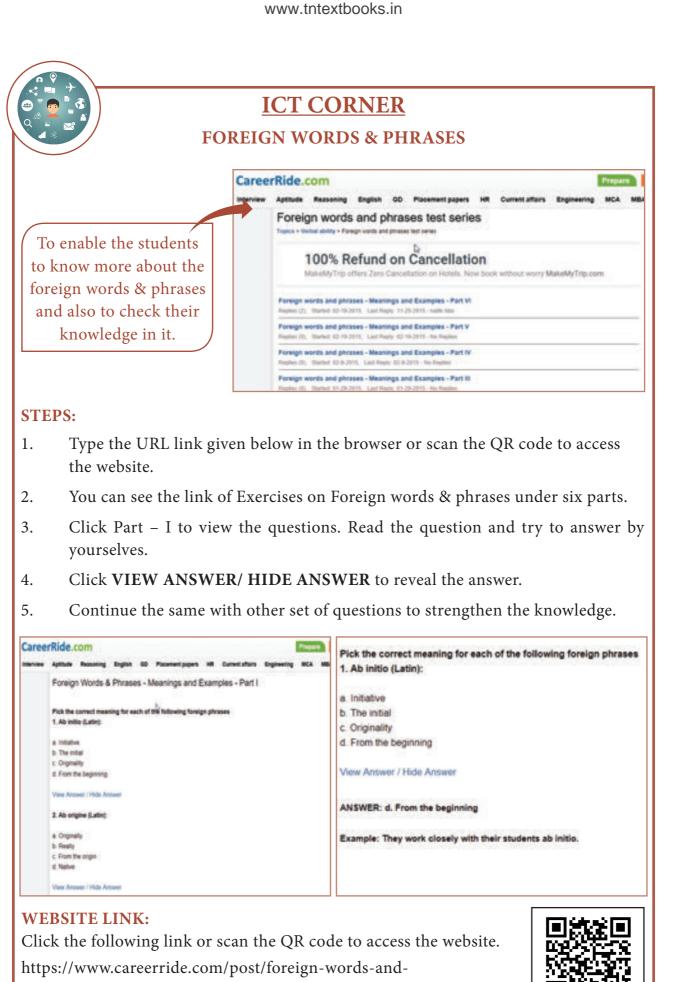
#### Self-awareness

- 1. One thing that I like about myself
- 2. One thing others like about me
- 3. One thing I do very well
- 4. I'm glad that
- 5. One thing that I have overcome
- 6. One goal I'm presently working on
- 7. I think I have the guts to
- 8. One way I successfully control my emotion is
- 9. A compliment that has been paid to me recently was
- 10. A value that I try hard to practice
- 11. My biggest problem is
- 12. I'm quite concerned about
- 13. I don't have the skills to

- 14. The person I have the most trouble with is
- 15. The most frequent negative feeling
- 16. I feel that way when
- 17. Life would be better if
- 18. I'm afraid to
- 19. I wish I
- 20. If I could change just one thing in myself it would be

#### **Extensive Reading**

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		Thackeray
Professional		
Ethics and	-	Govindarajan .M.
Human Values		
Pygmalion	-	George Bernard
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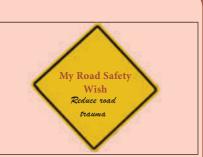
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image b. This is a very common c.One road safety wish has What is this picture about? is the rule that is being some more. Work in pairs Discuss with your partner violated? Is this safe?



scene in our country. What been mentioned. Identify and share your ideas with the class.



#### a.Read the following passage.

why we should follow rules.

#### Whose fault?

convey?

1. A 20 - year - old BCA student met with an accident – his bike rammed a tractor parked on the roadside that had iron rods sticking out. It was dark and around midnight. Arjun did not see the rods. They pierced his eyes, severely injuring his brain. A passerby saw him lying on the road and informed the family.

2. Even today that telephone call is vivid in Arjun's father's mind. That call changed everything. Arjun was his only child. The family rushed to the hospital, where Arjun had been taken. Doctors told them that he was brain dead. Even though his heart was beating and he was breathing, he was in fact dead. The precious life of a young man was lost!

3. Why did this happen, even after the government has banned vehicles from carrying rods, pipes or any protruding material beyond the body frame? The road transport ministry has deleted the provision in the Central Motor Vehicle Rules that allows protrusions up to one meter.

4. The Supreme Court had sought the centre's response in this regard, because thousands of motorists die every year in accidents caused by trucks parked recklessly on highways, many with iron rods protruding from their body frames. The Road Transport Ministry is trying its best to focus on the rule that the material

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carried in a truck or **trailer** remains within the length of the vehicle or trailer. But truck drivers **seldom** follow the law. They do not follow the practice of fixing **blinkers** at the end point of protruding material to warn vehicles coming from behind.

#### 5. Arjun still lives in 34 lives

Arjun's family bravely put its grief behind and came forward to give the gift of life to others. They asked the doctors to harvest their son's organs - a decision that would help save at least 34 people.

6. Arjun's heart valve, pancreas, cornea and at least 20 other organs were preserved for transplant, said doctors at AIIMS Trauma Centre where the organ **retrieval** was conducted; matching recipients were identified and the transplants carried out simultaneously.

7. Arjun's family has set an example and created an awareness about organ donation among the family members of brain dead persons. Many families are unable to understand or accept what brain death means. A senior forensic expert says, " Brain death means the irreversible loss of brain functions which has to be certified by a team of experts as per the law. Once a patient is declared brain dead, more than 37 different organs and tissues can be **harvested**, including the heart, liver, lung, kidney and pancreas among others."

8. AIIMS has reported a threefold increase in the number of such donations after Arjun's gift of life to 34 people. Arjun is physically not alive today, but he continues to live in those who have

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received his organs. He has become a source of inspiration to many others who are coming forward to donate organs.

9. Experts say that more than 3000 patients die in India for want of organ donors. In India, there are just 0.08 organ donors per million people. The Director of Health Services, says a central body called National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organization (NOTTO) is being set up to increase the availability of organs from cadaver donors, build capacity for organ retrieval and transplantation and roll out post transplant services to recipients and living donors.

Long live Arjun!



rammed (v)	-	dashed violently against	
vivid (adj.)	-	clear	
protrusions (n)	-	projections	
sought (v)	-	asked for	
recklessly (adv.)	-	carelessly	
trailer (n)	-	the long rear section of a lorry or trunk, in which goods are carried	
seldom (adv.)	-	not often , rarely	
blinkers (n)		a device for flashing light signals	
retrieval (n)	_	the process of getting something back from somewhere	
harvested (v)	-	to remove an organ from a person for transplant	

# b. On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following.

- 1. How did Arjun meet with an accident?
- 2. What was the cause of the accident?
- 3. What happened to Arjun in the accident?
- 4. Which rule was violated in this case?
- 5. How can drivers carrying protruding materials in their vehicles prevent accidents?
- c. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words from the passage.
- 1. Arjun's family kept aside their ..... and came forward to give the ..... of life to others.
- 2. Arjun's organ ..... was conducted by .....
- 3. The ..... loss of brain functions, ..... by a team of experts is called .....
- 4. Arjun has become a source of ...... for many others who are now coming forward for ......

- 5. To ..... the ..... of organs from ..... donors, a central body called .....is being set up.
- d. Find words from the passage which mean the same as the following.
- 1. a person walking by (para 1)
- 2. a multi-lane, high speed connecting road (para 4)
- 3. transparent outer layer of the eye (para 6)
- 4. great distress (para 6)
- 5. a corpse of a human to be dissected (para 9)
- e. Complete the following statements taking clues from the passage.
- 1. ..... is still vivid in Arjun's father's mind.
- 2. The government has banned ...... beyond the body frame.
- 3. In India, many people die because of

#### f. Read the following poem carefully.

#### Somebody's Mother

#### - Mary Dow Brine

The woman was old and ragged and gray And bent with the chill of the Winter's day.

The street was wet with a recent snow And the woman's feet were aged and slow.

She stood at the crossing and waited long, Alone, uncared for, amid the throng

Of human beings who passed her by Nor heeded the glance of her anxious eyes.

Down the street, with laughter and shout, Glad in the freedom of "school let out,"

Came the boys like a flock of sheep, Hailing the snow piled white and deep.

Past the woman so old and gray Hastened the children on their way.

Nor offered a helping hand to her– So meek, so timid, afraid to stir

Lest the carriage wheels or the horses' feet Should crowd her down in the slippery street.

At last came one of the merry troop, The gayest laddie of all the group;

He paused beside her and whispered low, "I'll help you cross, if you wish to go."

Her aged hand on his strong young arm She placed, and so, without hurt or harm,

He guided the trembling feet along, Proud that his own were firm and strong.

Then back again to his friends he went, His young heart happy and well content.

"She's somebody's mother, boys, you know, For all she's aged and poor and slow,

And I hope some fellow will lend a hand To help my mother, you understand,

If ever she's poor and old and gray, When her own dear boy is far away."

And "somebody's mother" bowed low her head In her home that night, and the prayer she said

Was "God be kind to the noble boy, Who is somebody's son, and pride and joy!"

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ragged (adj.)	-	worn out
throng (n)	-	dense crowd
heeded (v)	-	pay attention to
hailing (v)	-	praising
meek (adj.)	-	gentle
lest (conj.)	-	in case
laddie (n)	-	a boy



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g. On the basis of your understanding of the poem, complete the sentences given below.

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- 1. An old woman was \_\_\_\_\_ near a school.
- 2. The road was wet \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. Many people went past but no one
- 4. The merry troop of the boys is compared to \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. One of the boys noticed the woman who was \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.



#### **IDIOMS**

We have learnt about idioms in Class XI. Now, let us look at some more idioms associated with Roads and Paths.

1. Blaze a trail – be the first to take a certain approach

- 6. He helped her to \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7. Later he explained to his friends that one day his own mother \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8. That night the woman prayed to God \_\_\_\_\_, who is somebody's son.
- 9. Pick out a few adjectives from the poem which are closely associated with the word 'happiness'.
- 10. Pick out any two pairs of rhyming words from the poem.
- 2. Fast track a quick way to accomplish or manage something
- 3. On the beaten path frequented or well known path
- 4. One track mind having a narrow focus
- 5. End of the road conclusion or outcome

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#### a.Match the idioms given below with their meaning.

1	Road hog	-	lose focus	
2	Get off track	-	something ethical or noble	
3	On the trail	-	starting to achieve something	
4	High road	-	a driver who does not allow other motorists to pass	
5	On the road to	-	seeking someone or something	

#### b. Link the sentences with the idioms given in the box .

paper trail all roads lead to Rome road show pit stop on the right track

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Have Another Day

- 1. Many methods will produce the same result.
- 2. A theatrical performance given by a troupe on tour

- 3. Documents from which a person's action may be traced
- 4. A brief rest, especially during a journey
- 5. Doing something correctly or well

	YOU			
	1	A place where a road is narrow or blocked	-	bottleneck
	2	A place crowded and difficult to move around	-	congestion
	3	Vehicles travelling in both directions using only one side of the road while the other side is under repair	-	contraflow
	4	Many cars on the road that traffic cannot move	-	gridlock
	5	Vehicles that are close together and moving very slowly	-	bumper to bumper
(	сом	POUND WORDS		

There are some compound words that are commonly used, like .....

school zone	arterial road
dead end	ring road
low beam	cross road

a. Combine words to form compound words. The first one has been done for you.

express	round	lane
right	tyre	flat
way	road	turn
side	limit	speed
track	dead	plate
license	end	one
lot	parking	patrol
about		

#### e.g: Express lane

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Grammar



#### **ACTIVE AND PASSIVE** VOICE

a. Planning a road trip with your family

Given below are a few tips that Satish followed while taking a road trip with his family. Later he narrates this experience to his younger brother Sashi. Rewrite the tips in the paragraph using the passive voice. One has been done as an example.

- **1.** Make a tentative schedule.
- 2. Make hotel reservations in advance, in places you are going to stay overnight.
- 3. Buy a road map of the area you are going to visit.
- 4. Choose good restaurants along the route.
- 5. Get a good night's sleep before you start the trip.

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- 6. Wear comfortable clothing for the trip.
- 7. Avoid driving in the night.
- 8. Take a break every 90 minutes; get out and stretch and refresh yourself.

A road trip is very enjoyable, if we follow a few tips.

Let me tell you how my trip was planned. First, a tentative schedule \_\_\_\_\_\_. Hotel reservations \_\_\_\_\_\_ in advance, in places where I was going to stay overnight. A road map of the area I was going to visit \_\_\_\_\_\_. Good restaurants \_\_\_\_\_\_along the route. Before I started the trip, I made sure that a good night's sleep \_\_\_\_\_\_. Comfortable clothing \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the trip. Driving in the night \_\_\_\_\_\_. A break \_\_\_\_\_\_ every 90 minutes, during which I got out and stretched myself before resuming the trip.

b. Complete the following news item by filling in the blanks using the correct form of the verb.

#### FIRST CHILDREN'S TRAFFIC PARK INAUGURATED IN COIMBATORE



The first ever children's traffic park in Tamil Nadu \_\_\_\_\_\_ (inaugurate) in Coimbatore yesterday. This effort \_\_\_\_\_\_ (take) up with a view to impart knowledge about Traffic Rules and Regulations to children. The children's traffic park \_\_\_\_\_\_ (locate) in PRS grounds in Dr.Balasundaram Road, Coimbatore. A popular bike company \_\_\_\_\_\_ (offer) technical support to this children's traffic park.

After Coimbatore, a similar park \_\_\_\_\_\_(set) in Chennai, in the near future. It \_\_\_\_\_\_ (locate) near Napier Bridge. It \_\_\_\_\_\_(design) as a road set up, with traffic signals and signs and simulators which will help create awareness on road safety.

In Madurai, a special park for children with disability with specially designed equipment, wheelchair assisted play area and even a sensory garden \_\_\_\_\_\_ (construct) at a budget of ₹ 40 lakh. It \_\_\_\_\_\_ (inaugurate) earlier this month.

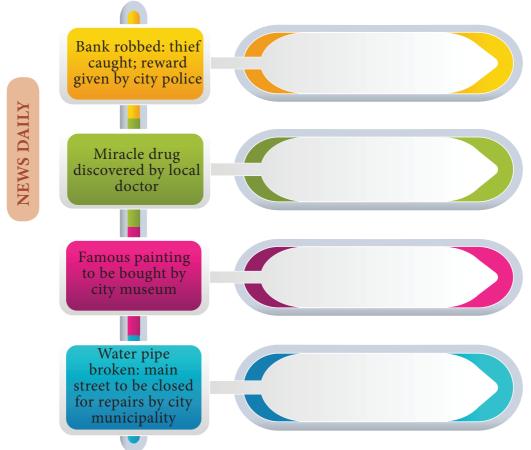
#### c. Change the voice in the following sentences which highlight safety rules.

- 1. Wear your seat belt.
- 2. Talking on the phone while driving should be avoided at all costs.
- 3. Avoid driving when you are sleepy or tired.
- 4. Maintain lanes while driving.
- 5. Do not skip red lights even if you don't see any oncoming traffic.
- 6. You should be aware of what's happening around you, while you are on the road.
- 7. Use walkways or subways while crossing the road.

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- 8. Children should follow the rules of the road.
- 9. Allow pedestrians to cross the road.
- 10. Do not drink and drive.

#### d. Expand the following news headlines:



#### MODALS

#### a. Fill in the blanks with should, shouldn't, must , mustn't, have to , don't have to.

- 1. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ use the mobile phone, when you are driving.
- 2. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ stop at a zebra crossing if there are pedestrians.
- 3. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ smoke when you are driving.
- 4. You \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ slow down, when you come to a roundabout.
- 5. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ stop at a red light.
- 6. If you are riding a motorbike, you \_\_\_\_\_wear a helmet.
- 7. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ respect all the traffic signals.
- 8. You \_\_\_\_\_\_ always wear your seat belt.
- 9. If you are driving a car, you \_\_\_\_\_\_ have the radio on all the time.
- 10. Children \_\_\_\_\_ be seated in special seats.

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b. What do these traffic signs mean? Write a sentence using the modal verb given in the bracket.

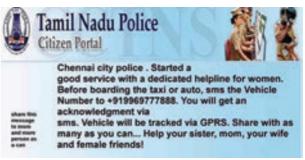
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a. You received the handout given below, at your school gate.



As you went through the handout, you wondered about the tracking facility via GPRS and wished to know more about it. On reaching home, you discussed it with your uncle and this is what he said.

Listen to his briefing and complete the notes.

- 1. Expansion of GPRS \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Established in \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Transmitted across \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Used \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Allows \_\_\_\_\_ and
- 6. Tracks changes in \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Enables us to avoid \_\_\_\_\_\_ by suggesting quickest roads to travel.
- 8. Complete the flow chart by choosing the phrases given below.



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#### PAPER PRESENTATION

Paper presentation is all about how you present your topic in front of an audience. Hence, the way you present the topic, the way you put across your points, presentation style and language are important.

Paper presentations must be dynamic, informative and enjoyable. Here are some guidelines to help you prepare for it.

**1. Know the requirements:** Know how long your presentation should be. Know how many points you have to cover. Check if you must include visuals.

**2. Know your audience:** Know the background of the audience – what they know and what they don't know about the topic that you are going to present. If it is your own classmates, you will know how to break your paper down and what to gloss over.

**3. Create a script for your presentation:** It is always good to have notes written down for what you plan to say. This way you will be able to remember everything that you want to say and you will sound like you are talking. You will also be able to make eye contact. Number your points to avoid getting mixed up.

4. Design visual aids to make your presentation better: You can use visual aids like slides, graphics, charts and bullet points to make your presentation more captivating.

**5. Think in terms of conversation:** You are going to address a human audience. So, it's okay to be repetitive. But make sure to emphasize important ideas.

**6. Practise before you present:** Practise as many times as you need to overcome nervousness. Welcome your audience and remember to thank them at the end of the presentation. Then open the floor for any questions and be prepared to answer them.

Below are some topics that can be used for paper presentations. Choose one of the topics and present a paper for about 3 to 5 minutes.

- 1. Challenges on the road
- 2. Infrastructure
- 3. Keep safe, stay alive.
- 4. Innovative measures to ease traffic.

Writing

#### NOTICE

You have learnt all about Notice Writing in Class XI. Let's work on some more notices.

1. Your pet dog named Jimmy has been missing from your home since yesterday. Write a notice in about 50 words to be put up at prominent points in your locality, giving details of your dog and offering a suitable reward to the finder.

2. You are an official of the Public Works Department of your state. Write a notice in about 50 words announcing diversions of roads planned for the proposed Metro Rail Project. Also mention the period of time and request for public co-operation.

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#### **SLOGANS**

#### "Vande Mataram"

*"Jai Hind"* 

You are all familiar with the above phrases. Do you know what they are ? They are slogans. A slogan is a phrase or a sentence that expresses an idea or purpose effectively to persuade someone or the target group. Slogans are generally used in commercials, religious and political contexts.

To write effective slogans, follow the guide lines given.

- Use catchy words.
- Maintain rhyme / rhythm.
- Keep it short and simple.
- Make it clear and crisp.
- Consider the target group.



a. 'Speed thrills but kills.' This is a slogan on Road Safety. Complete some more slogans on your own. The first one has been done for you.

Be cautious, LIFE is precious.

1.\_\_\_\_\_drive could be your\_\_\_\_\_

- drive.
- 2. Be \_\_\_\_\_, accidents hurt.
- 3. Safety ever, accident \_\_\_\_\_.

- 4. Safety is everyone's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_ or hell met?
- b. Frame 5 slogans of your own to keep your surroundings clean.

#### PAMPHLET

The word pamphlet refers to a short piece of write-up containing information, such as product description, instructions, corporate information, events promotion or tourism guides and is used in the same way as leaflet, handouts and brochures.

They are often used to

- ✤ advertise an event.
- promote products.
- persuade people about a social, religious or political message.
- recruit members for organisation / factories.
- ✤ to canvas during an election campaign.

**Note:** The language used in a pamphlet is simple and straightforward. Meaningful phrases or simple sentences will make the pamphlet more effective.



An electric traffic light was developed in 1912 by Lester Wire, a police man in Salt Lake City, Utah, who used



red - green lights. On 5<sup>th</sup> August 1914, the American Traffic Signal Company installed a traffic signal system on the corner of East 105<sup>th</sup> Street and Euclid Avenue in Cleveland, Ohio.

The First traffic light in South India was installed at Egmore Junction, Chennai in 1953.

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#### Sample Pamphlet

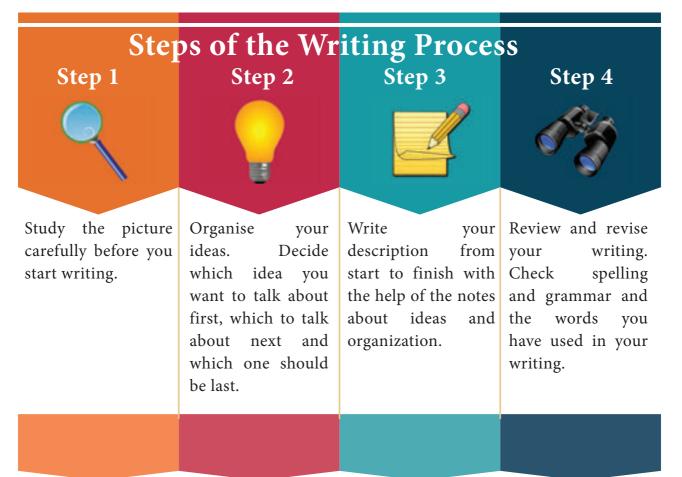


a. You are the Secretary of the Residents Welfare Association of your locality. Design a pamphlet to caution the residents about the safety measures in the apartment. Remember to put the pamphlet in a box. Use the visual ideas to complete the pamphlet.



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#### FACTUAL DESCRIPTION OF A PLACE



Observe the following pictures carefully and bring the scene to life by expressing your thoughts and feelings about your findings in a paragraph of about 100 words. Imagine yourself to be on top of a high rise building and viewing the scene.









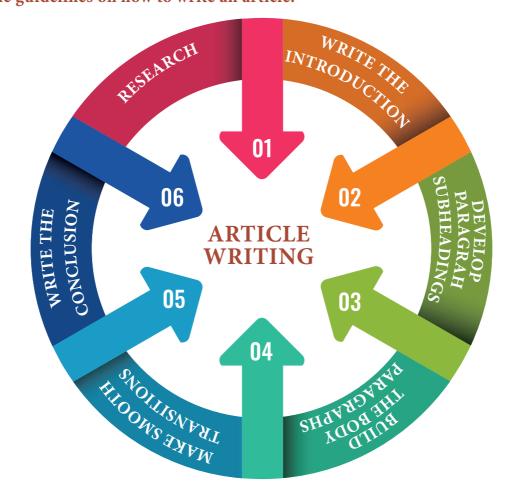
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#### **ARTICLE WRITING**

Study the guidelines on how to write an article.



a. Given below is the statistics of road accidents, published in a national daily. Interpret the statistics and write an article based on the given details.

STATE	PERSONS KILLED (Jan. – Mar. '17)	PERSONS KILLED (Jan. – Mar. '18)	INCREASE / REDUCTION
Uttar Pradesh	4,695	5,432	737
Gujarat	1,796	2,116	320
Maharashtra	3,102	3,361	259
Odisha	1,221	1,390	169
Tamil Nadu	4,148	3,271	-877
Andhra Pradesh	2,164	1,897	- 267
West Bengal	1,683	1,481	-202
Telengana	1,680	1,550	-130

### (Source : The Times of India (15th July 2018))

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You may begin like this ......

#### **RECKLESS DRIVING**

Many cases have been reported against reckless driving, thereby escalating the number of road accidents in the city.

#### **DRAFTING A SPEECH**

Nowadays, parking of vehicles has become a problem for the general public. It leads to traffic congestion, accidents and environmental pollution. You are a traffic sergeant who has been invited by a Rotaract Club to deliver a speech on parking problems and to give suggestions ways to overcome the problem. Write out the speech in not more 150 words.



The following points can be highlighted in the speech...

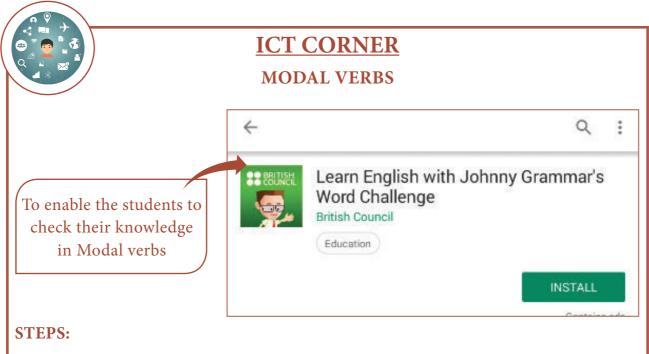
- obey traffic rules
- park at designated areas
- plan development with adequate parking facility
- multilevel parking
- cancel license of violators

#### **Extensive Reading**

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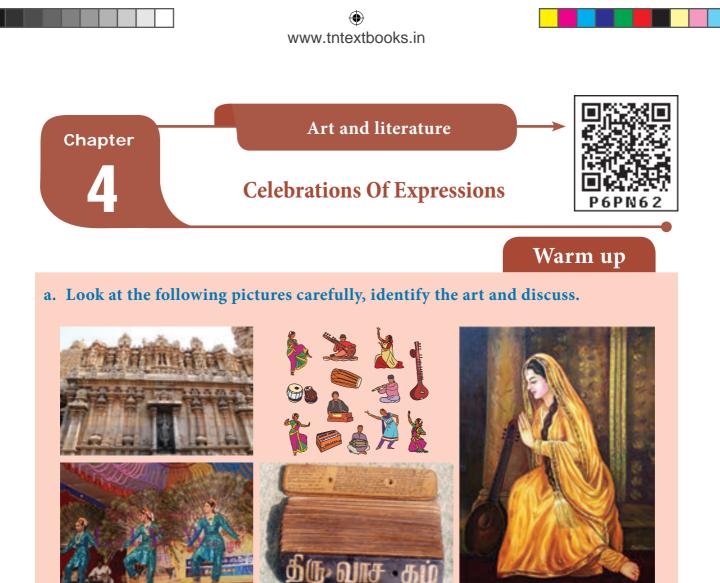
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- 1. Access the application with the help of the link or the QR code which is given below and install it in the mobile.
- 2. Click **PLAY AS GUEST** and then click **GRAMMAR** in the next screen.
- 3. Click **MODALS** from the list.
- 4. Question will be displayed with four options (modal verbs). Select the right modal verb within the time limit.
- 5. After the quiz, your scores will be revealed.

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- b. Make a list of ten random things. Try connecting them in a logical way and narrate an interesting story. (e.g.) Book, Milk. Once I spilt milk on my drawing book...
- c. What makes an art good or bad? Justify your statement.





#### Act 1

William Shakespeare's 'As You Like It' is set in France in the early 1600s and follows the love story of Rosalind and Orlando. The action takes place at the court of Duke Frederick and in the nearby Forest of Arden. As the play opens, Orlando is quarreling with his older brother Oliver over his inheritance. He complains that Oliver has not given him a proper gentleman's education after the death of their father. Oliver threatens Orlando, and Orlando grabs Oliver by the throat and defies his older brother before releasing him. After the fight, Oliver persuades the

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wrestler Charles to injure Orlando in a wrestling match the next day. Meanwhile Frederick's daughter Celia tries to cheer up her dear cousin Rosalind, who is depressed because her father, Duke Senior, has been banished by his usurping brother, Duke Frederick.

Rosalind and Celia attend the wrestling match and they meet Orlando, who easily beats Charles despite the brute's undefeated status. Orlando and Rosalind fall in love at first sight, and Rosalind gives him a necklace as a prize for winning. When Duke Frederick learns that Orlando's father is his former enemy, he is displeased. Immediately thereafter, Orlando is warned by his servant Adam that his brother plans to kill him that night. Faced with no options, Orlando flees to the Forest of Arden, and loyal Adam accompanies him. Orlando is not the only one to displease Duke Frederick; Duke Frederick has become disenchanted with Rosalind, believing that she outshines his daughter Celia. He banishes Rosalind from court, and Celia decides to follow her into exile in Arden as she cannot bear to be parted from her dearest friend. The two adopt disguises, with Rosalind becoming the young man Ganymede and Celia pretending to be Aliena, a peasant girl. Touchstone the fool goes with them.

#### Act 2

Duke Senior, Rosalind's father, and his men have taken up residence in the Forest of Arden during his exile. Among them is the witty, philosophical Jacques, who enjoys being depressed and never misses an opportunity to bemoan his situation. The men hunt for deer and set

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up a picnic under a tree when Orlando bursts upon them with a sword. He is desperate for food for himself and Adam as the old man is weak from hunger and travel. Duke Senior graciously invites them both to join his party.

#### Act 3

Back at court Duke Frederick has discovered Celia missing, and he believes she and Rosalind have gone off with Orlando. He then takes Oliver's lands into temporary custody and sends Oliver to find his brother with the hope of locating Celia.

Orlando writes love poems to Rosalind and posts them on trees throughout the forest. In her disguise as Ganymede, Rosalind issues a witty challenge to Orlando. She claims she can cure him of his love if he will woo her as if she were Rosalind. He agrees to do so and promises to meet her later. At the same time. Touchstone has fallen in love with goat herder Audrey and tries to arrange a quick wedding, which Jacques talks him out of, in favour of a more official ceremony. As Rosalind and Celia wait for Orlando, they witness a spat between the young shepherd Silvius and shepherdess Phoebe, who scorns his love. Rosalind intervenes in as Ganymede, advising Phoebe to accept the young man, but instead Phoebe falls instantly for Ganymede.

#### Act 4

Orlando arrives late, and Ganymede scolds him for his tardiness, claiming there is no true love in him. Nonetheless, she allows him to woo her, and they agree to meet again later that day after Orlando attends on Duke Senior. This time while they wait, Silvius delivers to Ganymede a letter from Phoebe and is shocked to learn that it is a love letter. He departs, and Oliver arrives bearing a bloody handkerchief. He explains that Orlando has rescued him from a snake and a lion, and was wounded in the fray. The two, Oliver and Orlando, have been reconciled through Orlando's brave act. Ganymede faints but quickly recovers from it and says it was merely playacting.

#### Act 5

Ganymede devises a plan to bring all the couples together to be married the next day. She promises to marry Phoebe if Phoebe will have her and extracts a promise from Phoebe that she will marry Silvius if she doesn't marry Ganymede.

Everyone gathers the next day, and Rosalind reveals her disguise as Ganymede. Her father, Duke Senior, gives her to Orlando to wed, and Phoebe agrees to marry Silvius as promised. Touchstone and Audrey will also be married, as will Celia and Oliver, who have fallen in love at first sight. The god of marriage, Hymen, performs the ceremony. Just then another brother of Oliver and Orlando arrives with the news that Duke Frederick has turned over a new leaf and returned his wealth, lands, and position to Duke Senior. The nobles resolve to return to court after the wedding celebration, but Jacques vows to follow Duke Frederick. The play ends with an epilogue in which Rosalind begs the favour of the audience in the form of applause for the actors.

#### AS YOU LIKE IT (paraphrased) ACT - I

This play by William Shakespeare stands for all times; he is acclaimed for his opening scenes that exposes vividly the plot and introduces all the main characters sequentially and ties a knot which is untied in the subsequent acts and scenes.

#### Act I Scene 1 Enter ORLANDO and ADAM



ORLANDO: I remember, Adam, that's why my father only left me a thousand crowns in his will. And as you know, my father commanded my brother, Oliver, to make sure that I was brought up well—and that's where my sadness begins. Oliver keeps my brother Jacques away at school, and everyone says he's doing extremely well there. I ask you, is this any way to treat a gentleman as nobly born as I am, to pen me in like an ox? His horses get treated better than I do—at least he feeds them and trains them properly, and spends a lot

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of money on trainers for them. He gives me plenty of nothing, and takes away everything else, letting me eat with his servants, refusing me what's owed me as his brother, and ruining my good birth with a poor education. This is what angers me, Adam. My father's temper and spirit, which I think I share, makes me want to mutiny against my brother's tyranny. I won' t stand for it any longer, though I haven't yet figured out how to revolt.

#### (Enter Oliver)

**ADAM:** Here comes my master, your brother.

**ORLANDO:** Go hide, Adam, You'll hear how he abuses me.

**OLIVER:** Hey, you! What are you making here?

**ORLANDO:** Nothing. I've never been taught how to make anything.

**OLIVER:** Well, then, what are you messing up?

**ORLANDO:** I'm helping you mess up one of God's creations. Should I tend your pigs and eat husks with them?

**OLIVER:** Do you know where you are, sir?

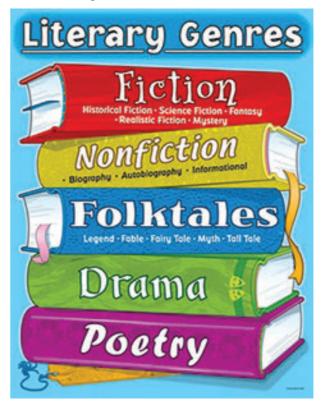
**ORLANDO:** Yes, sir, very well—I'm here in your orchard.

**OLIVER:** Do you know whom you're talking to?

**ORLANDO:** Yes, better than you know me. I know you're my oldest brother and deserve more respect. But we're in the same family, so you should acknowledge that I am a gentleman too. According to

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custom, as first-born you are my superior. But it's not customary to treat me like I'm not even a gentleman.



**OLIVER:** (hitting ORLANDO) What nerve!

**ORLANDO:** (grabbing hold of OLIVER) Come on, big brother; you don't know anything about fighting.

**OLIVER:** What, you dare put your hands on me, villain?

**ORLANDO:** I'm no villain. I'm the youngest son of Sir Rowland de Boys, and anyone who claims my father's sons is a villain himself.

**ADAM:** Gentlemen, calm down. For the sake of your father's memory, make peace.

**OLIVER:** Let me, go, I say.

**ORLANDO:** I won't until I'm ready. You will listen to me. My father instructed you in his will to give me a good education. But you've raised me as a peasant, depriving

me of the education needed to become a gentleman.

**OLIVER:** And what are you going to do after you've spent your money? Beg?

**ORLANDO:** I won't bother you any more than necessary.

**OLIVER:** (to ADAM) And you get lost too, you old dog.

**ADAM:** Is that my reward—to be called "old dog?" Well, it's true, I've served this family so long I've gotten old and toothless, like a dog. God bless my old master. He would never have spoken to me like this.

#### (ORLANDO and ADAM exit.)

**OLIVER:** Is that how it's going to be? Are you starting to challenge me? I'll cure you of your insolence, and I'm not going to give you a thousand crowns, either!—

Hey, Dennis!

#### (DENNIS enters.)

**DENNIS:** Did you call for me, your Worship?

**OLIVER:** Wasn't Charles, the duke's wrestler, here to speak with me?

**DENNIS:** Yes, sir, he's here at the door right now and asks to see you.

**OLIVER:** Call him in. (exits) I have a good plan. And tomorrow is the wrestling match.

- 1. Name the two sons of Sir Rowland de Boys.
- 2. How is Orlando treated by his brother?
- 3. Who is Adam?
- 4. How much money was left in the will for Orlando?
- 5. What is the name of the Duke's wrestler?

#### (Charles Enters)

**CHARLES:** Good morning, sir.

**OLIVER:** Good Mr. Charles.

**DENNIS:** Tell me, what's the latest news at the newcourt?



**CHARLES:** No news but the old news. The old Duke Senior has been banished by his younger brother, the new Duke Frederick. A few loyal lords have gone into exile with Duke Senior, and given up their lands and money to Frederick—so he's happy enough to have them leave.

**OLIVER:** Can you tell me whether Rosalind, Duke Senior's daughter, has also been banished?

**CHARLES:** Oh, no. Celia loves her cousin so much that she would have followed Rosalind into exile or died of grief. So Rosalind has stayed at court.

**OLIVER**: Where will the old duke live?

**CHARLES:** They say he's already in the Forest of Arden. He has many cheerful

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men with him, and they live like Robin Hood and his outlaws.

**OLIVER:** So, are you going to wrestle before the new duke tomorrow?

**CHARLES:** Indeed I do, sir, and I've come to let you in on a certain problem. I've been informed by certain sources I can't disclose, that your younger brother Orlando plans to fight me in disguise tomorrow. Sir, I'm fighting for my reputation, and any man who gets away without a broken bone or two is an exceptional wrestler indeed. Your brother is young and inexperienced, and because of my affection for you, I'd hate to crush him—though I'd have to, if he challenged me.

**OLIVER:** Charles, I thank you for your loyalty to me, and you'll see that I'll reward you. I'd heard about my brother's plan and have been subtly trying to change his mind, but he's determined. I tell you, Charles, he's the stubbornest young fellow in France: overly ambitious, jealous of other people's good qualities, and a traitor against me, his own blood brother. So use your discretion. I'd be just as happy if you broke his neck as his finger. It brings me to tears to say this, but there isn't another person alive who is so young and at the same time so wicked. Because he's my brother, I have to take his side.

**CHARLES:** I'm very glad I came to see you. If he shows up tomorrow, I'll give him what he deserves. If he can manage to walk after our fight, I'll never wrestle for money again. Farewell, my lord.

**OLIVER:** Take care, Charles.

(CHARLES exits.)

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#### (OLIVER continues.)

Now it's time to get this playboy brother of mine all worked up. I hope I'll see the end of him soon—I don't know why, but I hate nothing in the world as much as him, though he's an upstanding guy. He's never gone to school but he's smart, with good values, and everyone is delighted by him and loves him, especially my subjects, who know him the best. They love him, and therefore they despise me.

#### (OLIVER exits.)

#### ACT I SCENE 2

#### **CELIA and ROSALIND enter.**

**CELIA:** Please, Rosalind, my sweet cousin—be happy.

**ROSALIND:** Dear Celia—I already look much happier than I feel, but you want me to look even happier? Teach me how to forget my banished father, you shouldn't try to teach me how to be happy.

**CELIA:** Well, by this I can see that you don't love me as much as I love you. If your father had banished my father, I could have learned to love your father as my own, as long as I still had you.

- 6. Who usurped the dukedom from Duke Senior?
- 7. Name the daughters of the two dukes.
- 8. Why is Rosalind sad?

**TOUCHSTONE:** Mistress, you have to go see your father.

**CELIA:** Did they make you the messenger?

**TOUCHSTONE:** No, but they told me to come get you.

**CELIA:** No more talk about my father; you'll be whipped for slander.

**TOUCHSTONE:** It's a pity that fools aren't allowed to speak wisely about the foolish things that wise men do.

**CELIA:** Honestly, you're speaking the truth—ever since the fools were silenced, the foolishness of wise men has become all the more apparent. Here comes Monsieur Le Beau.

#### (LE BEAU enters.)

**ROSALIND:** With his mouth full of news.

**CELIA:** Which he'll shove down our throats the way pigeons feed their young.

**ROSALIND:** Then we'll be stuffed with news.

**LE BEAU:** Fair princess, you've missed some good sport.

**CELIA:** What sport?

**LE BEAU:** I was going to tell you all about a good wrestling match that's going on, which you're missing.

**ROSALIND:** Tell us about this wrestling.

**LE BEAU:** I'll tell you about the beginning, and if you find that interesting you can see the end. The best is yet to come, and they're going to perform it right here.

**LE BEAU:** There comes an old man with his three sons—

**CELIA:** It sounds like the beginning of an old folktale.

**LE BEAU:** Three proper young men, all good looking and with great presence— All the three brothers wrestled with Charles, the duke's wrestler. They're now lying over there, and the poor old man, their father, weeps so piteously over them that the whole audience has joined him in grieving.

**ROSALIND:** Oh, dear!

**TOUCHSTONE:** But tell me, monsieur what sport are the ladies missing?

**LE BEAU:** Why, the one I just told you about.

**TOUCHSTONE:** Men must be getting wiser every day; that's the first time I've heard that rib-breaking was appropriate entertainment for ladies.

**LE BEAU:** You're going to have to, if you stay here. This is the place they're scheduled to wrestle, and they're ready to go.

**CELIA:** Yes, I see them coming. Let's stay and watch. (**Trumpets play. DUKE FREDERICK**, lords, **ORLANDO**, **CHARLES**, and attendants enter)

**DUKE FREDERICK:** Come on. Since the youth won't be reasoned with, he'll have to suffer for his stubbornness.

**ROSALIND:** Is that the man?

LE BEAU: That's him, madam.

**CELIA:** Alas, he is too young. Yet he seems capable.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** What's up, daughter and niece? Have you snuck over here to watch the wrestling?

**ROSALIND:** Yes, my lord, if you give us permission.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** You won't enjoy it much, I can tell you, the odds are so against this young man. Because he's so young, I've tried to discourage him, but he

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won't listen. Talk to him, ladies. See if you can persuade him.

- 9. Who is Touchstone?
- 10. Find out the meaning of "Touchstone" from a dictionary.
- 11. Who brings the news about the wrestling match?
- 12. What happened to the three brothers who wrestled with Charles?

**CELIA:** Call him over here, good Monsieur Le Beau.

**LE BEAU:** Mister Challenger, the princess wants to speak to you.

**ORLANDO:** I'll wait on them with all respect and duty.

**ROSALIND:** Young man, have you challenged Charles the Wrestler?

**ORLANDO:** No, lovely princess. He is the general challenger. I have only come in—like the others have—to try to fight him with the strength of my youth.

**CELIA:** Young gentleman, you are too bold for your age. You have seen the cruel proof of this man's strength. If you took a good look at yourself, or if you thought about this more carefully, your fear would teach you to act more cautiously. We beg you, for your own sake, to respect your safety and give up.

**ROSALIND:** Please, young sir. We'll make sure your reputation isn't hurt; we'll take it upon ourselves to argue with the duke that the wrestling match should be called off.

**ORLANDO:** I beg you not to think poorly of me—though I suppose anyone who could deny anything to such beautiful women deserves to be scorned. But please, send me good thoughts in this match.

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**ROSALIND:** I wish I could give you the little strength that I have.

**CELIA:** Mine too, to join hers.

**ROSALIND:** Good luck. I hope to God I'm wrong about your chances.

**CELIA:** I hope you get what you desire!

**CHARLES:** Come on, where's the young show-off who's so eager to lie with mother earth?

**ORLANDO:** Ready, sir, but I have more modest ambitions.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** You get only one round.

**CHARLES:** No, I'm sure your Grace won't be able to persuade him to try a second round.

**ORLANDO:** You should mock me after you've beaten me, not before. Come on.

**ROSALIND:** Hercules give you speed, young man!

**CELIA:** I wish I were invisible, so I could grab that strong fellow by the leg. (**They wrestle**).

**ROSALIND:** Oh, what an excellent young man!

**CELIA:** If I could shoot lightning bolts from my eyes, I can tell you who'd be on the ground.

(Orlando throws Charles. The crowd shouts.)

**DUKE FREDERICK:** No more, no more.

**ORLANDO:** Oh, come on, your Grace—I'm barely out of breath.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** How are you doing, Charles?

**LE BEAU:** He can't speak, my lord.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** Carry him away. What is your name, young man?

**ORLANDO:** Orlando, my lord, the youngest son of Sir Rowland de Boys.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** I wish you were someone else's son. The whole world thought your father was an honourable man, but he was always my enemy. But good luck; you are a brave young man.

(DUKE FREDERICK, his train, and LE BEAU exit).



**CELIA:** If I were my father, cousin, would I do this?

**ORLANDO:** I'm proud to be Sir Rowland's son—his youngest son—and I would never change that, not even to be Frederick's adopted heir.

**ROSALIND:** My father loved Sir Rowland as much as he loved his own soul, and the rest of the world shared my father's opinion. If I had known this young man was his son, I would have tried harder to convince him not to fight.

**CELIA:** Gentle cousin, let's go thank him and encourage him. My father's rude and envious behaviour is like a knife through my heart. **(to ORLANDO)** Sir, you fought very well. If you live up to your potential in love as well, your wife will be a very happy woman.

**ROSALIND:** (giving him a chain from her neck) Gentleman, wear this for me. I'm a woman who's down on her luck, and I'd give more if I could. Shall we go, cousin?

**CELIA:** Yes. Good luck, fair gentleman. (**ROSALIND and CELIA exit**).

**ORLANDO:** (to himself) Can't I even say "thank you"? I left my brain back on the wrestling field. What's left of me is a dummy, just a lifeless block. What is this passion that ties up my tongue? I can't speak to her, even though she asked me to. Oh, poor Orlando, you've been overthrown! Either Charles or some prettier thing has mastered you.

#### (LE BEAU enters).

**LE BEAU:** Good sir, as a friend, I advise you to leave this place. Although you deserve praise, applause, and love, right now the duke misconstrues everything you've done. The duke is temperamental. I'm sure you can imagine what I mean without my having to spell it out.

**ORLANDO:** Thank you, sir. Now please tell me this: which of the two ladies who were at the wrestling match is the duke's daughter?

**LE BEAU:** Neither one is his daughter, to judge from their good manners. But really, the smaller one is his daughter. The other is the daughter of the banished duke. Goodbye, sir. Later, in a better world than this, I'd love to get to know you.

**ORLANDO:** I'm indebted to you. Goodbye.

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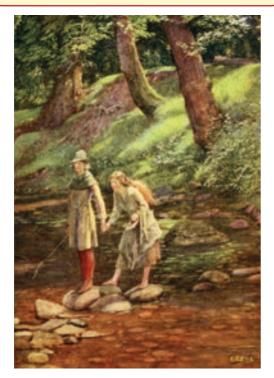
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#### (LE BEAU exits.)

**ORLANDO** (**continues**)Out of the frying pan and into the fire—from a tyrant duke to a tyrant brother! But, oh, heavenly Rosalind!

#### (ORLANDO exits.)

- 13. Who dissuades the challenger from wrestling with Charles? Why?
- 14. What is the answer given by Orlando to the ladies?
- 15. Who succeeds in the wrestling match?
- 16. What does Rosalind give Orlando as a gift?
- 17. What is the advice given by Le Beau to Orlando?
- 18. Explain the term "Out of the frying pan, into the fire".



#### **ACT I SCENE 3**

#### (CELIA and ROSALIND enter.)

**CELIA:** What's going on, Rosalind? Cupid have mercy! You won't utter a single word?

**ROSALIND:** I could cry.

**CELIA:** Come on, take control of your feelings.

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**ROSALIND:** Look, here comes the duke.

#### **DUKE FREDERICK (enters with lords)**

**CELIA:** He looks angry.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** Madam, hurry as fast as you can get out of my court.

Rosalind: Me, Uncle?

**Duke Frederick:** You, niece. In ten days time, if you're found within twenty miles of the court, you'll die for it.

**Rosalind:** Please, your Grace, tell me what crime I have committed. If I know my own thoughts and desires, and I'm not dreaming or crazy—which I'm sure I'm not—then, dear uncle, I've never had so much as a half-formed thought that would have offended you.

**Duke Frederick:** All traitors protest like this. If they could purge their guilt simply by saying that they were innocent, they'd all be as innocent as God Himself. I don't trust you. Enough said.

**ROSALIND:** But your mistrust alone can't make me a traitor. On what basis do you suspect me?

- 19. What is the new order spelled out by Duke Fredrick? Why?
- 20. What is the treason committed by Rosalind?
- 21. Who is in Forest of Arden?

**DUKE FREDERICK:** You are your father's daughter. That's enough.

**ROSALIND:** I was his daughter when your Highness took my father's dukedom. I was his daughter when you banished him. Treason is not inherited, my lord. But even if we did inherit it from our family, what does that have to do with me? My father

wasn't a traitor. So, please, my lord, don't assume that I'm treacherous just because I'm poor, with no titles to my name.

**CELIA:** Dear master, listen to me.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** Yes, Celia, we kept her here for your sake. Otherwise, she would have been banished with her father.

**CELIA:** At that time, I didn't beg you to keep her here; you wanted her here, and you felt guilty. I was too young at the time to appreciate her value, but now I know her. If she's a traitor, why then, so am I.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** She's too devious for you. Her smoothness, her silence, and her patient suffering appeal to the people, and they pity her. You're a fool. She's robbing you of the attention you deserve. You will seem even brighter and more virtuous when she's out of the picture. So be quiet. The sentence I've passed down on her is firm and unshakeable. She is banished.

**CELIA:** Then lay that sentence on me too, my lord. I cannot live without her.

**DUKE FREDERICK:** You are a fool.— You, niece, prepare to leave. On my honour and by my word, if you outstay the ten days, you will die.

#### (Exit DUKE FREDERICK and lords)

**CELIA:** Oh, my poor Rosalind, where will you go? Do you want to exchange fathers? I'll give you mine. I insist, don't be more distressed than I am.

**ROSALIND:** I have more reason to be distressed.

**CELIA:** No you haven't, cousin. Please, be cheerful. Don't you realize the duke has also banished me, his daughter?

**ROSALIND:** No, he hasn't.

**CELIA:** Oh, he hasn't? Well, then, you don't have the affection that would teach you that you and I are one. Will we be separated? Should we part, sweet girl? No. Let my father find another heir. So, help me plan how we'll escape, where we'll go, and what we'll take with us.

**ROSALIND:** But where will we go?

**CELIA:** To the Forest of Arden, to find your father.

**ROSALIND:** But what danger we'll put ourselves in, two young, innocent women travelling so far! Fresh beauty attracts thugs and thieves even more than money.

**CELIA:** I'll put on some poor and ragged clothes and smudge my face with dirt. You do the same, and we'll be able to travel without attracting any attackers' attention.

**ROSALIND:** Wouldn't it be better—since I'm unusually tall for a woman—to dress myself like a man? I'll wear a big sword in my belt, carry a boar-spear in my hand, and hide all my womanish fear in my heart. We'll maintain a swaggering, warrior look, like so many cowardly men, whose manner has nothing to do with what they're feeling.

**CELIA:** What should I call you when you're a man?

**ROSALIND:** I'll take no lesser name than that of Jove's own servant. So call me Ganymede. And what will you be called?

**CELIA:** Something that refers to my current state. Instead of Celia, call me Aliena.

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**ROSALIND:** Cousin, what if we brought that clownish fool of your father's court, Touchstone? Wouldn't he be a comfort to us in our travels?

**CELIA:** He'd walk the whole wide world with me. Leave me alone to go convince him. Let's go gather our jewels and money. We'll figure out the best time and safest route to avoid being found out by my father's guards, whom he'll send out as soon as he discovers I've gone. Now, we go contentedly to freedom— not banishment.

#### (They exit.)

- 22. Why do Rosalind and Celia decide to go to the forest?
- 23. What are the dangers of young girls travelling?
- 24. What is the solution they find for travelling?
- 25. Describe the disguise discussed by Rosalind.
- 26. What were the names taken by them while in disguise?

#### **GLOSSARY**

tyranny (n)	-	oppressive exercise
		of power
husks (n)	-	dry external layer
		of certain fruits or
		seeds
crowns (n)	-	a foreign coin of
		certain value
Duke (n)	-	a noble holding
		highest rank outside
		royal family
outlaw (n)	-	a person who has
		broken the law and
		remains a fugitive
subtly (adv.)	-	skilful, ingenious,
• • •		clever
high-flown	-	extravagant
(adj.)		C C
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whetstone (n)	-	a piece of stone
		used for sharpening
		cutlery
pancakes (n)	-	flat cake of batter
		fried on both sides
		rolled up with sweet
		or savoury
unleash(v)	-	set free
knave (n)	-	dishonest man
knight (n)	-	a man who served
		his sovereign
slander (n)	-	crime of making
		false, spoken
		statement
		damaging a person's
		reputation
apparent	-	able to be seen or
(adj.)		understood
proclamations	-	public or official
(n)		announcements
piteous (adj.)	-	deserving pity
snuck (v)	-	sneak (old English)
scorned (v)	-	to express contempt
graces (v)	-	to bring honour or
		credit
mourn (v)	-	feel sorrow or a loss

**b.** There are a few words jumbled in the box. Pick a word and write it against the meaning given below.

misconstrues	temperamental
malice	burrs
conventional	devious
firm	smudge
boar-spear	swaggering
clownish	modest

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- 1. in accordance with beliefs
- 2. desire to harm someone
- 3. to interpret wrongly
- 4. showing a skilful use of negative tactics to achieve goals
- 5. rough edge left on an object by a tool
- 6. solid structure, resilient
- 7. spear used for hunting bear
- 8. a person's unreasonable changes of mood
- 9. parade with arrogance
- 10. humorously exaggerated
- 11. unassuming
- 12. messily smeared

#### **Further Reading**

Just to spice up! Here are some idioms used by William Shakespeare in his plays:

 Nay, if our wits run the wild-goose chase, I am done, for thou hast more of the wild-goose in one of thy wits than, I am sure, I have in my whole five. Was I with you there for the goose?" — Mercutio

This term didn't originally refer to actual geese, but rather a type of horse race.

 O, beware, my lord, of jealousy! It is the green-eyed monster, which doth mock the meat it feeds on." — Iago

Before Shakespeare, the colour green was most commonly associated with

illness. Shakespeare turned the notion of being sick with jealousy into a metaphor that we still use today.

3. "Be thou **as** chaste as ice, as pure as snow, thou shalt not escape calumny. Get thee to a nunnery, go." — Hamlet

"Lawn as white as driven snow." — Autolycus

Though Shakespeare never actually used the full phrase "pure as driven snow," both parts of it appear in his work. For the record, this simile works best right after the snow falls, and not a few hours later when tires and footprints turn it into brown slush.

4. "True is it that we have seen better days and have with holy bell been knolled to church, and sat at good men's feasts and wiped our eyes of drops that sacred pity hath engendered." — Duke Senior

The first recorded use of "seen better days" actually appeared in Sir Thomas More's work in 1590, but the play was written anonymously, and is often at least partially attributed to Shakespeare. We do know Shakespeare was a fan of the phrase; he uses "seen better days" in As You Like It, and then again in Timon of Athens.

5. "This is a way to kill a wife with kindness, and thus I'll curb her mad and headstrong humor." — Petruchio. The Shakespeare canon would contain fewer dead bodies if his characters all believed they should kill their enemies with kindness instead of knives and poison.

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#### Read the following poem carefully.

#### c. THE BIRD SANCTUARY - Sarojini Naidu.

In your quiet garden wakes a magic tumult Of winged choristers that keep the Festival of Dawn, Blithely rise the carols in richly cadenced rapture, From lyric throats of amber, of ebony and fawn.

The bulbul and the oriole, the honey-bird and shama Flit among high boughs that drip with nectar and with dew, Upon the grass the wandering gull parades its sea-washed silver. The hoopoe and the kingfisher their bronze and sapphire blue.

Wild gray pigeons dreaming of a home amid the tree-tops, Fill their beaks with silken down and slender banyan twigs. But the jade-green gipsy parrots are only gay marauders. And pause upon their sun-ward flight to plunder red ripe figs.

In your gracious garden there is joy and fostering freedom. Nesting place and singing space for every feathered thing, O Master of the Birds, grant sanctuary and shelter Also to a homing bird that bears a broken wing.



tumult (n)	-	confusion
choristers (n)	-	singers in a choir
blithely (adv.)	-	without care
cadenced (adj.)	-	rhythmic music
rapture (n)	-	extreme pleasure
amber (n)	-	brownish yellow
ebony (n)	-	a hard deep black
marauders (n)	-	plunderers
sanctuary (n)	-	place of safety
homing (n)	-	going home

"Ouack! said the duck unsurprisingly so. nce he was a duck ck!" His friend responded. ince he, too, was a vocal duck Much guacking ensued between the two Day in, day out one wintery day, Bill, for that was the first duck's name, of course, opened his well... his bill, obviously, to speak. There was not a squeak nor a guack. Bert, for that was duck number two's name, looked on incredulously. How could it be that Bill could not utter a quack? Bill was obviously suffering from some dreadful mallardy.



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#### Calligram

A visual representation of a word or poem, that reflects the meaning.



#### d. Answer the following briefly.

- 1) How do the birds welcome dawn?
- 2) What do the gypsy parrots enjoy?
- 3) What is the poet's prayer?
- 4) What do the "birds" and "the sanctuary" symbolize?

#### e. Match the following.

Column A	Column B
1. Gull	a. blue / Sapphire
2. Kingfisher	b. silver washed coat
3. Hoopoe bird	c. bronze
4. Parrots	d. gray
5. Pigeons	e. jade

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# f. Complete the paragraph with words from the poem. You may rephrase some words if necessary.

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The poem is addressed to the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of birds. There is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ joy as the birds sing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The chanting aura they craft herald the festival of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Birds of multitude \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, produce richly \_\_\_\_\_\_ melody. The birds

strive to sing from their throats.
The wild grey pigeons of
home on the The
phrase ""
signifies their aspiration to accomplish
new heights.

#### g. Find the words from the poem which mean the same as given below.

1. song	-	
2. light brown	-	
3. move swiftly and lightly	-	
4. sugary fluid	-	
5. encouraging	-	

#### h. How does one enjoy poetry?

Poetry can be enjoyed at various levels. One such level is in understanding the imagery used by the poet to create a vivid description of the scene that appeals to our senses. Here in this poem the visual imagery is triggered by the use of colours creating an effect of seeing the colourful birds in the sanctuary.

Pick out some of the colour imagery used by the poet to describe the sanctuary. Here are a few examples:

- **Eg.** 1.Lyric throats of amber, ebony and fawn
  - 2. Sea washed silver
  - 3. Honey bird shama
  - 4 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5\_\_\_\_\_
  - 6\_\_\_\_\_

# i. Work in pairs and find alliterative pairs from the poem.

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#### LANGUAGE STUDY

#### GENRES (/3ãrð/) OF LITERATURE

Here are a few popular genres for you to know and learn. Identify them while enjoying works of literature.

- **1. Ballad:** Oldest form of poetry in a song form narrating a story in short stanzas
- **2. Biography:** Life history of a person written by someone else

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- **3. Comedy:** The term in any discourse or work generally inducing laughter
- **4. Couplet:** A pair of successive lines of verse typically rhyming and of same length
- **5. Elegy:** Poem of serious reflections, a lament for the dead
- **6. Epic:** Long narrative poem in relation to the central heroic figure, becoming a part of history of a nation or race
- **7. Folklore:** Traditional beliefs and customs or stories of a community, passed through generations by word of mouth (oral tradition)
- **8. Haiku:** A Japanese poem of seventeen syllables in three lines of 5,7,5 evoking images of natural world
- **9. Horror:** Literature intended to scare, disgust or startle readers through feelings of terror and sometimes through supernatural elements
- **10. Lampoon:** Publicly criticize by ridicule or sarcasm
- **11. Limerick:** Humorous five line poem with a rhyme scheme aabba
- **12. Lyric:** Poetry expressing subjective or personal point of view
- **13. Novel:** Fictitious, long, prose narrative of book length
- **14. Novella:** A short novel or a long short story
- **15. Ode:** A type of lyrical stanza elaborately structured poem praising

an event, individual, describing nature intellectually and emotionally

- **16. Romance:** Literature that aims to evoke strong emotions in the audience
- **17. Satire :** Use of humorous irony, exaggeration or ridicule to expose famous personalities
- 18. Sonnet: Fourteen line poem using any number of rhyme schemes (that originated in Italy). In English it is ten syllables per line
- **19. Short story:** A story with a well developed theme, much shorter and less elaborate than a novel
- **20. Villanelle:** Nineteen line pastoral lyrical poem, with only two rhymes throughout and some lines repeated

**Literary Devices** are techniques the writers use to produce the desired special effect in their writing. Enlisted here are a few figurative language devices used in literature with examples

- **1. Connotation:** the feelings and associations suggested by a word Eg. Mr. Scrooge became thrifty but not cheap.
- **2. Hyperbole:** an exaggeration of something Eg. He was hungry enough to eat a horse.
- **3. Imagery:** the creation of images using words; word pictures Eg. Footprints on the sands of time.
- **4. Irony:** a difference or contrast Eg. Brutus is an honourable man.

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- **5. Oxymoron:** a phrase consisting of contradictory terms Eg. Parting is such sweet sorrow.
- 6. Paradox: a statement that at first appears contradictory, but which on closer examination contains truth Eg. Longest short cut

#### Task

With the help of the teacher, identify the various literary devices and spark up your creativity.

- 1. "Well now, one winter it was so cold that all the geese flew backward and all the fish moved south and even the snow turned blue. Late at night, it got so frigid that all spoken words froze solid afore they could be heard. People had to wait until sunup to find out what folks were talking about the night before." - <u>Babe, the blue Ox</u> by Paul Bunyan
- 2. "Neptune's ocean wash this blood Clean from my hand? No. This my hand will rather The multitudinous seas incarnadine, Making the green one red." <u>Macbeth</u> by William Shakespeare
- "All animals are equal, but some are more equal than others." <u>Animal</u> <u>Farm</u> by George Orwell
- 4. "The child is father of the man..." <u>My Heart Leaps Up When I Behold</u> by William Wordsworth
- 5. "All the world's a stage, And all the men and women merely players; They have their exits and their

entrances;

And one man in his time plays many parts ..." <u>As You Like It</u> by William Shakespeare

- 6. "Water, water, everywhere, And all the boards did shrink; Water, water, everywhere, Nor any drop to drink." <u>The Rime of the Ancient Mariner</u> by Samuel T. Coleridge
- 7. "Why, then, O brawling love! O loving hate! O anything, of nothing first create! O heavy lightness! Serious vanity! Misshapen chaos of well-seeming forms! Feather of lead, bright smoke, cold fire, sick health! Still-waking sleep, that is not what it is! This love feel I, that feel no love in this. Dost thou not laugh?" <u>Romeo and Juliet</u> by William Shakespeare
- 8. "I find no peace, and all my war is done I fear and hope, I burn and freeze like ice, I flee above the wind, yet can I not arise;" <u>Petrarch's 134</u> <u>Sonnet by Sir Thomas Wyatt</u>

**G** Grammar REPORTED SPEECH



Let's study how to report the following.

- a. Wh Questions
- b. Yes or No questions
- c. Imperative sentences

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- i. Commands
- ii. Requests
- iii. Sentences with 'Let'
- d. Sentences with the reporting verbs in the present tense/ future tense
- a. Information questions beginning with a question word

While reporting -

- change the pronoun
- change the word order
  - Ex. "Where are you going?" She asked me where I was going.
  - Ex. "When are they coming?" She asked me when they were coming.
  - Ex. "Who is that charming lady?" They asked me who that charming lady was.

#### b. Yes or No questions

Yes or No questions begin with an auxiliary verb.

While reporting –

- pay attention to auxiliary verbs like 'do, be' and 'have'
- drop the auxiliary verb
- ✤ add if/ whether
  - Ex. "Do you like burgers?" He asked me if / whether I liked burgers.
    - "Have you ever been to Dubai?" -

She asked me if/ whether I had been to Dubai.

"Do you live here?"

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He asked me if/ whether I lived there.

#### c. Imperative sentences

#### 1. COMMANDS/ ORDERS

While reporting -

use 'tell' instead of 'ask'

Ex. "Go to bed."He told the child to go to bed."Be on time."The teacher told me to be on time."Don't shout."My friend told me not to shout.

#### 2. POLITE REQUESTS

While reporting -

use ask me + infinitive

Ex. "Close the window."

She asked me to close the window. "Could you bring my luggage tonight?"

She asked me to bring her luggage that night.

"Would you mind coming early

this evening?"

My aunt asked me to come early that evening.

"Please don't be late."

She asked me not to be late.

### 3. IMPERATIVE SENTENCES WITH 'LET'

#### While reporting,

 'Let' should be changed to 'suggested' or 'proposed"

Ex. My father said, "Let us invite more family members."My father suggested they should invite more family members.

I said, 'Let us go to a beach resort this Sunday." I suggested to my sister that we should go to a beach resort that Sunday.

#### d. Reporting verb in the present/ future

When the reporting verb is in the present/ future tense the tense in the Direct speech does not change.

Mahesh says, "I have a headache."	Mahesh says that he has a headache.
He says, "I am coming."	He says that his is coming.
The doctor tells, "Your mother is sick."	The doctor tells that my mother is sick.
She will say, "I don't like pizzas."	She will say that she doesn't like pizzas.
The child will say, "I cannot write fast."	The child will say that it cannot write fast.

# a. Change the following direct speech into indirect speech.

- 1. "What do you want?" he said to her.
- 2. He enquired, "When do you intend to meet me?"
- "Do you really come from Japan?" the King asked.
- 4. Uma said, "Are you interested in this deal?"
- 5. Reena asked Meena, "Will you meet a girl like Sheena?"
- 6. The king thundered, "Let those who insult me know that I shall not tolerate it."
- 7. The teacher told the children,"Please do not eat raw and overripe fruit."
- 8. The doctor said,"Let the child take rest for some time now."

- 9. The accused said, "Your Majesty, please do not put me to death. I promise I shall never repeat such a crime in the future. You should show mercy on me."
- 10. The master said, "Listen to my lecture attentively, note down all the main points and get prepared to answer my questions."

#### b. Report the following sentences.

- 1. The teacher explained, "It snows in the mountains in the winter".
- 2. My grandmother informed me, "A diamond in the hardest element."
- 3. My friend often tells me, "All that glitters is not gold."
- 4. The tourist guide pointed at the temple and said, "These temples were built during the Chola era."
- 5. The teacher told the class, "Knowledge is power."

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# c. Change the following into indirect speech.

- 1. The boys says, "I am very nervous to attend school."
- 2. They will say, "We will not be able to come home early for dinner."
- 3. We say, "We cannot live without water."
- 4. The forgetful old lady always questions me, "Where do you live?"
- 5. My aunt will say, "I am fed up of your pranks."

# d. Read the following passage and rewrite in reported speech.

- "Have you finished reading the book, Mohan?" said Mr. Mani to his son.
  - " No dad", said Mohan, feeling ashamed.
  - "Why not, Mohan?"

"Because it is not interesting dad, and I am sure I shall never finish it by this month."

# e. Read the conversation given below and complete the paragraph that follows.

- Father : Why didn't you to school last week?
- Son : I was not well dad, I had fever.
- Father : What will happen to your notes? Have you completed all the assignments?
- Son : Don't' worry dad. My friends have helped me with my notes and my assignments.



- a. You will hear a dialogue between two students. Listen to the conversation carefully and note the points. During the first time, just listen. During the second time fill in the blanks.
- 1. The jute weavers association is located at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. It is nearly \_\_\_\_ km from \_\_\_\_\_ airport.
- 3. In those days this cluster was producing real \_\_\_\_\_\_for export to Nigeria.
- 4. After \_\_\_\_\_ this cluster began weaving cotton fabric and sarees.
- 5. Over the past \_\_\_\_\_ years the cluster has completely shifted to \_\_\_\_\_

# b. Mention whether the statements given below are true or false.

- 1 A group of students approached Sekar with mango fibre and cotton blend yarn for their project.
- 2. Sekar made it to the Limca Book of Records, in 2011.
- 3. Weavers collaborated with NIFT students.
- 4. NorthEast development council have invited Sekar to train the weavers of Tripura.

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#### c. Complete the following:

- 1. MuligaiPudavai is infused with natural fibres of
- a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_ c) \_\_\_\_ d) \_\_\_\_.
- 2. The most popular natural fibre yarns are
- a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_ c) \_\_\_\_\_ d) \_\_\_\_\_.



#### PRONUNCIATION

Pronunciation is an indispensable aspect of learning a language. In this section the different sounds in English viz, vowels, diphthongs and consonants are given, with the main objectives being:

- to pronounce vowel and consonant sounds of English
- to create awareness about the spelling-pronunciation mismatch in english
- to check understanding of
  - ▲ one sound-many spellings
  - ▲ one letter-many pronunciations

(Note: the order of the sounds is rearranged to match the order in which Tamil sounds are learnt which the learners may be familiar with)

### a. /Λ/

1. Read the following tongue twister aloud.

The younger brother touched his uncle's umbrella.

2. Identify /  $\Lambda$ / sound in the following words.

cut	flood
young	puzzle
among	tough
sudden	brother
butter	couple
some	sum
country	month

3. Write as many words as you can with /  $\Lambda$ / sound.

#### **b.** /a:/

- 1. Readthefollowingtonguetwisteraloud.Mark artists aren't artful.
- 2. Identify /a:/ sound in the following words.

card	father
arm	master
basket	darn
garden	hard
last	pardon

3. Write as many words as you can with /a:/ sound

#### c. /i/

- Read the following tongue twister aloud.
   Big gifts sis gives quick is a myth.
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2. Identify /i/ sound in the following words.

system	lyric
kid	rhythm
crystal	mill
quick	finger
spring	syrup

3. Write as many words as you can with /i/ sound

#### d. /i:/

- Read the following tongue twister aloud. Three needy nieces seated on the ceiling piece.
- 2. Identify /i:/ sound in the following words.

even	these
please	seen
scene	receive
scream	beetle
clean	read
she	tree

3. Write as many words as you can with/i:/ sound.

#### e. /u/

1. Read the following tongue twister aloud.

Good cook could put the pudding.

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2. Identify /u/ sound in the following words.

would	wood
look	cushion
woman	foot
bull	push
singular	stood

3. Write as many words as you can with /u/ sound.

#### f. /u:/

- Read the following tongue twister aloud.
   Moose Flew Into Blue Goose shoes.
- 2. Identify /u:/ sound in the following words.

rude	through
boots	blew
true	grew
threw	mood

3. Write as many words as you can with /u:/ sound.

#### g. /ə/

1. Read the following tongue twister aloud.

If I assist a sister- assistant,

will the sister's sister assistant assist me?

Identify / Ə/ sound in the following words.

seller	calendar
doctor	parlour
metre	above
power	valour
under	centre

 Write as many words as you can with /∂/ sound.

#### h. /3:/

- Read the following tongue twister aloud. Thirty dirty turtles learnt verses.
- 2. Identify /3:/ sound in the following words.

thirsty	earn
curd	heard
word	herd
purse	worse
burn	shirt

3. Write as many words as you can with /ə:/ sound.

### i. **/)**/

 Read the following tongue twister aloud.
 Modern shoppers caught watching quarrel. 2. Identify /<code>O</code>/ sound in the following words.

office
orange
solid
squash
wash

3 .Write as many words as you can with / Sound.

#### j. /**):**/

1. Read the following tongue twister aloud.

The tall doll had a shawl.

 Identify/O:/sound in the following words. (Notice- c is not always pronounced k. It is sometimes pronounced /s/)

august	awesome
order	awful
ornament	auspicious
corn	assault
award	clause

3. Write as many words as you can with /O:/ sound.

#### k. /æ/

 Read the following tongue twister aloud.
 Pack the black blank bank bag.

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Identify /æ/ sound in the following words.

band	banned
manner	manor
rap	wrap
tax	tracks
can	lad

3. Write as many words as you can with / æ / sound.

#### l. /e/

- Read the following tongue twister aloud. Leather never weathers wetter weather.
- 2. Identify /e/ sound in the following words.

egg	lemon
health	bread
shed	jet
enter	spread
gentle	tell

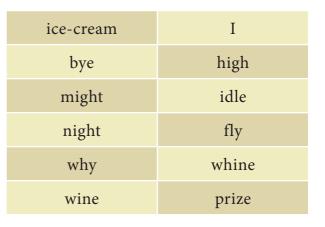
3. Write as many words as you can with / e / sound.

#### **m.** /ai/

1. Read the following tongue twister aloud.

There's a sty in my eye. Will I sigh?

2. Identify /ai/ sound in the following words.



3. Write as many words as you can with /ai/ sound.

### n. **/)i**/

1. Read the following tongue twister aloud.

The boy spoiled the toy and the joy.

2. Identify/**Ji**/ sound in the following words.

toil	noise
соу	boil
voice	soil
oyster	loiter
employ	point

3. Write as many words as you can with /Oi/ sound.

#### **o.** /ei/

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 Read the following tongue twister aloud.
 Eight apes ate nape's tape.

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2. Identify /ei/ sound in the following words.

shape	taste
paint	weight
wait	play
lake	trays
train	pail

3. Write as many words as you can with /ei/ sound.

### p. /iə/

- Read the following tongue twister aloud.
   Dear fierce here cheers.
- 2. Identify /i∂/ sound in the following words.

near	dear
seer	mere
hear	here
clear	deer
weird	year

3. Write as many words as you can with /iə/ sound.

### q. /ɛə/

1. Read the following tongue twister aloud.

The heir's hair is rare.

2. Identify /eə/ sound in the following words.

pair	share
rare	mare
wear	fair
fare	care
bear	bare
where	hare

 Write as many words as you can with /εθ/ sound.

### r. **/əu/**

1. Read the following tongue twister aloud.

The sow goes over the bough to sew.

2. Identify /əu/ sound in the following words.

know	no
toe	hero
goat	force
go	throw
doe	total
clove	both

 Write as many words as you can with /\u00e7u/ sound.

### s. /uə/

 Read the following tongue twister aloud. The poor was sure to tour the

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moor. Page 75 2. Identify /uə/ sound in the following words.

cure	bureau
endure	pure

3. Write as many words as you can with  $/U\partial /$  sound.

#### t. /au/

1.Read the following tongue twister aloud.

The brown cow allows the plough.

2. Identify /au/ sound in the following words.

out	now
crowd	loud
frown	count
coward	shower
around	owl

3. Write as many words as you can with /au/ sound.

### TONGUE TWISTERS

If two witches would watch two watches, which witch would watch which watch?



#### STRESS

Speaking is generally considered the hardest skill to master in English. This is because the English language has unique concepts called **STRESS AND INTONATION**, which is essential to communicate effectively.

**Stress** is the emphasis given to select sounds / syllables in words. This means, some sounds/syllables are pronounced louder than the others. The syllable which is pronounced the loudest is called the stressed syllable.

**Note:** A SYLLABLE is a unit formed by a vowel with one or more consonants. Syllables combine to form words.

Unlike Indian languages where all syllables are pronounced with equal degree of loudness, in English only one syllable in a word is stressed. The other syllables are pronounced less louder than the stressed syllable, some may not be heard at all. This is why we do not follow the English spoken by native speakers.

The stressed syllable in a word is constant. For example, **heat**, **par**ty, **en**ergy, memory, employee, philo**so**phical, adminis**tra**tion.

In spoken language, grammatical or form words such as auxiliary verbs, prepositions, pronouns, articles etc., are generally not stressed. Lexical or content words, such as nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, linkers must have at least one stressed syllable. However, there is no rule to decide which syllable should be stressed in a polysyllabic word (word with more than one syllable). They have to be learnt consciously using a dictionary.

Lexical words (nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs) are stressed.

**Grammatical words** (auxiliaries, prepositions, pronouns, articles) do not receive any stress.

In words with **weak suffixes**, the root of the word is stressed.

**Compound Nouns** take the stress on the first syllable.

**Compound adjectives** take the stress on the second syllable.

**Compound Verbs** take the stress on the second syllable.

**Inflectional words** do not change their stress pattern even after the suffix is added.

**Derivational words** change from parts of speech to another and so their utterance varies and so does the stress.

**Words ending** with **-ic**, **-sion**, **-tion** are stressed on the penultimate syllable. (second from the end).

**Words ending** with **-cy**, **-ty**, **-phy**, **-gy -al** are stressed on the ante-penultimate syllable. (third from the end)

Syllable stress is usually indicated by a (')mark over the syllable, as is seen in dictionaries. In the above examples, the spellings that represent the syllables are highlighted. In sentences, we stress only some words and pronounce them louder than the others. By emphasising on a particular word, we can add/ modify the meaning of the sentence. Note that the basic meaning of the sentence does not undergo any change.

Look at the following example.

#### I gave her an apple yesterday.

See how the sentence gains in meaning by changing the stress from one word to another.

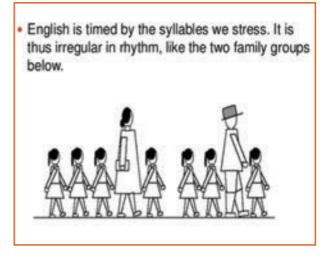
I gave her an apple yesterday. (Only I gave, not somebody else)

I **gave** her an apple yesterday. (gave, not bought)

I gave **her** an apple yesterday. (her and not somebody else)

I gave her an **apple** yesterday. (apple not banana)

I gave her an apple **yesterday**. (yesterday, not any other time)



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#### Activity:

# a. Read the following sentences aloud stressing on different words.

1. I told you to buy me a bunch of flowers.

2. I told you to buy me a bunch of flowers.

3. I told you to buy me a bunch of flowers.

4. I told you to buy me a bunch of flowers.

5. I told you to buy me a bunch of flowers.

6. I told you to buy me a bunch of flowers.

7. I told you to buy me a bunch of flowers.

# b. Role play this dialogue stressing on the highlighted words.

Babu : Sara, I'm home!

**Sara : Hi** daddy! **How** was your **day** at **work**?

**Babu :** It was **great**! I **finished** the **project** successfully. .

**Sara :** That's **great! Congratulations!** I'm **really happy**.

**Babu** : I have to go to **Madurai** this weekend so I won't be able to meet your friends, when they come here on Friday. Sorry to let you down dear.

**Sara :** You're **sorry**? You're **sorry**?!?! I'm afraid "**sorry**" isn't **good** enough. I've already **told** them **you** will be **home**!

**Babu : I know**, **I know**. And **I am sorry** about it. But as **long** as you **have** the **chance** to see them it's good, right?

**Sara :** Fine. But we're **going to meet them** next **Friday**. No excuses.

Babu : Sure, definitely.

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#### **INTONATION**

**Intonation** is the way the pitch of a speaker's voice goes up or down as they speak. Say this sentence: - "Hello" to the following people:

- ✤ a friend you meet often
- a friend you are meeting after a long time
- ✤ a neighbour who is troublesome
- ✤ a 6 month infant
- someone you are seeing for the first time

to know if someone is in the room

the same as above but on the phone



Is there a difference in the way you say 'Hello'? Discuss and share your views.

The difference is because you raise or lower your voice according to your attitude towards the person. This change in the pitch of your voice is called **Intonation**.

#### **Types of Intonation**

There are four types of Intonation: Falling, Rising, Fall-rise and Rise-fall.

They are denoted by the following signs:

Falling -  $\$ Rising - /Fall-Rise -vRise-Fall -  $\Lambda$ 

Falling tone is the most common type of intonation in English. It is used for asking and giving information in a normal, quiet, style. Usually statements, that are categorical, confident and convincing, are expressed in this tone.

#### **Standard patterns:**

Falling tone is used on the last stressed syllable of the sentence in

#### Statements(declarative sentences):

We live in \Chennai. He doesn't have the \book.

#### **Questions:**

What do you\want?

#### **Commands (imperative sentences):**

Close the \door. Come \here.

#### **Exclamatory sentences:**

What a pleasant sur\prise! Amazing \shot!

# The last part of alternative questions (after "or")

Would you like to have coffee or \ tea?

Do you want a pen or a pen\cil?

Tag questions(When the answer is sure to be 'yes')

You live here, don't \you?

**Rising intonation in English** expresses a number of emotions such as : non-finality,

surprise, doubt, politeness, interest, lack of confidence etc. Standard rising intonation in English usually goes down a little first and then rises up.

#### Rising intonation is used in

#### Statement intended to be a question

You came here to/day? (I thought you came last night.) He left so /early? (I thought he would wait.)

#### Statement intended to be reassuring

I will come with /you. (So don't worry.) I hope you will be /ok ( So don't worry.)

#### Question expressing curiosity to know

What are you do/ing? When is the next /train?

#### Yes/No Questions (Polar Questions)

Can you /show it? Have you fi/nished?

#### Exclamations intended to be a question

Re/ally? (I never thought so.) /What? ( unbelievable)

#### **Greetings and Wishes**

Good /Morning! He/llo! Happy New Year!

#### **Rhetorical Question**

Who knows what will /happen? Can Spring be far be/hind?

#### Apostrophes / Direct address

The child is father of the /man! Sir, you dropped your/ phone.

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#### Requests

/Please sit down. /Don't forget to send it.

#### Fall Rise Tone (v)

Tag questions: (When not sure that the answer will be 'Yes')

It's a beautiful movie, <sup>v</sup> isn't it ? I gave it to you, didn't <sup>v</sup> I?

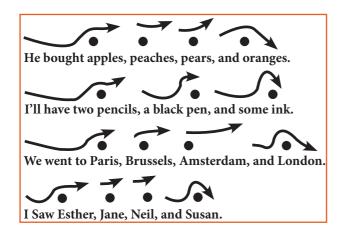
#### **Express Contrasts**

I came to buy a /laptop not a <sup>v</sup> desktop. The teacher asked for the /book not the <sup>v</sup> paper.

#### Rise-Fall Tone $(\Lambda)$

#### Enumerating items in a list

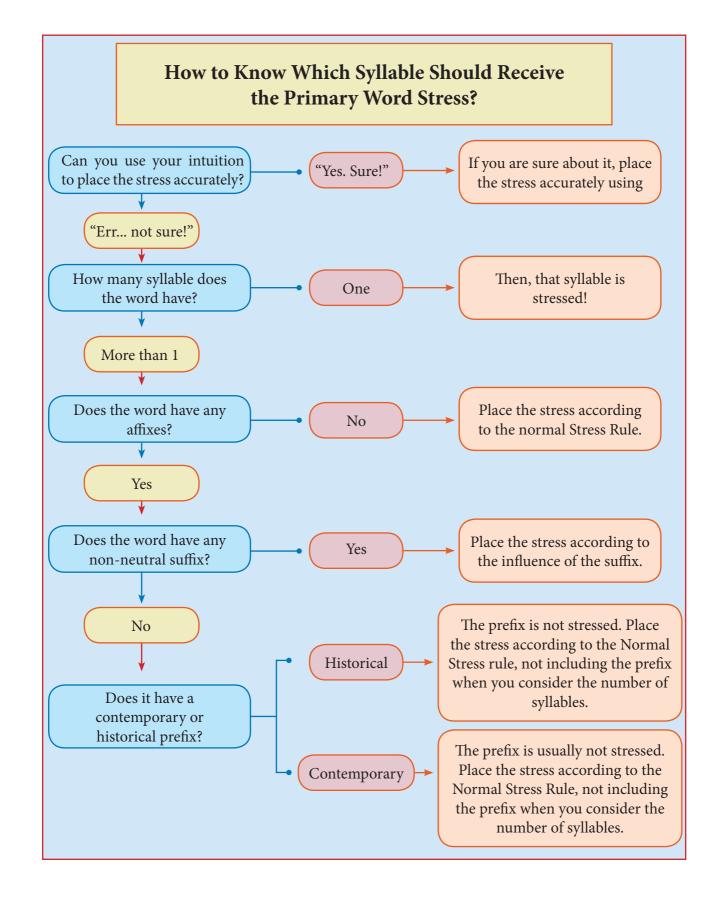
She bought pens, ^pencils^and ^ erasers. ^ I came, ^ I saw, ^ I conquered!



# a. Identify the correct intonation pattern in the following sentences.

- 1. Try again.
- 2. I shouldn't have.
- 3. That's unbelievable!
- 4. Go to bed.
- 5. The food is tasty, isn't it?
- 6. I'll collect it tomorrow.
- 7. We are going to Teni, Tenkasi and Munnar.
- 8. You must be joking.
- 9. So what ?
- 10. Well, I never!
- 11. You know best, don't you?
- 12. Do you work on Saturdays?
- 13. Happy Birthday.
- 14. Can I see one of your works?
- 15. Courage! Thy name is woman!
- 16. Oh! Is that true?
- 17. Why can't you keep the table clean?
- 18. The girls are playing chess.
- 19. Come in.
- 20. What a lovely colour!

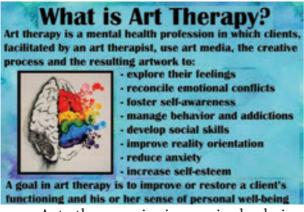




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#### **SPEAKING - ART THERAPY**



Art therapy is increasingly being adopted as an effective way to calm an anxious mind, and increase selfconfidence.

1. Work in pairs along with your teacher and explore the different relaxation therapies available as stress busting hobbies for a healthy mental well-being.

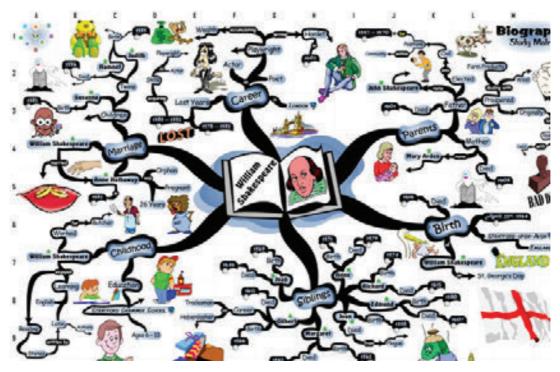


2. Choose a topic under the heading Stress Relief Hobbies and prepare a short speech for about three minutes using presentation skills, pictures, if possible a power point too to enhance your speech.

- Recollecting your mistake without pain
- Your first reaction to your mistake
- What did you think at once? (any short cuts)
- Did you own up to the mistake?
- What did you learn?



When the mistake happened, what did you do about it? What did you learn from your mistake?



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Advertising is a type of communication, where people promote their products or persuade people to utilize their services. Features of an effective advertisement are as follows:

- Advertisement an advert on radio or TV
- Logo the symbol that identifies the product
- Commercial symbol that identifies the product
- Jingle a short song used by an advertising firm
- Target market the people who will buy the product
- Brand name the commercial name of a product

### How to create an advertisement? -A step-by-step-guide

- Create a brand name
- Mention what you want to sell
- Identify the target
- Write a catchy slogan
- Give a headline
- Think of a layout
- Create a logo



#### **GUIDELINES FOR WRITING THE AD**

- There should be at least one element in the ad that attracts the eye.
- The ad must be realistic believable.
- It should be persuasive.
- The aim of the ad is to make the readers buy the product.
- Write short sentences in simple language.
- Do not waste words. Be precise.
- Use the present tense and the active voice.
- Punctuate correctly to make the message clear.

#### Let's work on the types of advertisements.

#### a. DISPLAY COMMERCIAL ADVERTISEMENTS

This is a sort of a public announcement through a popular medium that targets a large number of people. It

- ✤ is visually attractive.
- includes art work.
- has catchy slogans.
- has witty expressions.

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- Imagine you are running an institution that coaches students appearing for various competitive exams (CAT, MAT, NEET, GMAT etc.). Draft a display advertisement highlighting the attractive features of the courses you offer.
- 2. 'Handloom Expo' is being organised in your district by the weavers of Tamil Nadu showcasing their designs that use traditional methods. As a person in charge of this textile fair, draft a suitable display advertisement for a local newspaper.

#### **b. CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS**

- Classifieds appear in newspapers and magazines.
- It has no visuals or designs.
- ✤ It is always brief and to the point.
- Abbreviations are used to convey more while paying less.
- Each word is charged in a classified Advertisement.



Classified advertisements are divided into categories according to their subject matter.

- Recruitment (Situation Wanted -Situation Vacant)
- Lost and found
- To let
- Matrimonial
- Sale and Purchase of Vehicle, Property etc.
- Missing
- Tours and Travels
- ✤ Appeal
- Educational
- Change of Name / Address
- Obituary
- You want to dispose of your two wheeler. Draft an advertisement to be published in "The Hindu" under classified advertisements column. Sign as Madhan/ Madhavi. Include the following details.
  - Type / Make of vehicle model year of manufacturing - colour accessories fitted
  - Ownership details insurance details - mileage and condition
  - Price expected
  - Contact details
     (Note: do not exceed 50 words)
- 2. You are a starting a School of Performing Arts in Thanjavur. Draft a suitable advertisement to be printed in the local daily inviting experienced artists for a walk-in-interview for the

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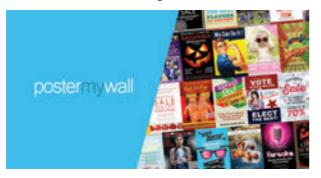
various posts. You are the Director. Invent relevant details and complete the task in about 50 words.

#### **POSTER MAKING**

Imagine the walls without posters in the place you live in. Posters are creative, bold and can provoke many emotions, excite and are full of information (in short they tell a story). They should be readable from more than five feet away.

The modern poster dates back to mid-nineteenth century, when the printing industry perfected colour lithography and made mass production possible. Posters include textual and graphic elements. Different types of posters are:

- propaganda and political posters
- movie posters
- travel posters
- railway posters
- event posters
- entertainment posters
- educational posters



Points to remember while designing a poster.

- diligent use of colour diligently to create the energy needed; to elicit the mood and attract the eye
- experiment with typography

- rank information in order of importance
- use white space cleverly to form creative composition
- say more with less
- use captivating and persuasive language so as to influence
- create a point of focus (keeping the audience in mind)
- include slogans, word-play, metaphors etc. to enhance the posters
- 1. Draft an attractive poster for a newly opened Kid's School of Art and Craft highlighting the special features of the school.
- 2. Your school is hosting a Theatre Fest staging a variety of plays to be enacted by the members of your school theatre Club. Prepare a poster announcing this along with necessary details.

#### REPORT

#### **Outline For The Report**

#### Title Page

Title Author's name

#### Introduction

Purpose

#### Description

details of the event causes and results

Discussion

#### Conclusion

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 You are the reporter of your school newsletter. Your school organised a project exhibition, "Art Gallery". Prepare a report covering the different aspects of it in about 120 – 150 words.

# You may find the following guidelines useful:

- date, time and venue of the exhibition
- the purpose
- inaugural ceremony
- different sections of the exhibition, arts and crafts, carvings, jewellery making, wall hangings, murals, festoons, clay modelling and pencil shading etc.
- the most fascinating displays
- articles for sale funds donation
- visitor's comments
- ✤ your overall opinion

#### **NOTE MAKING**

# Given below is a sample for note making.

#### MADHUBANI PAINTING

Madhubani painting is one of the many famous Indian art forms. As it is practised in the Mithila region of Bihar and Nepal, it is called Mithila or Madhubani art. Often characterized by complex geometrical patterns, these paintings are known for representing particular occasions, including festivals, religious rituals, etc. The colours used in Madhubani paintings are usually derived from plants and other natural sources. These colours are often bright and

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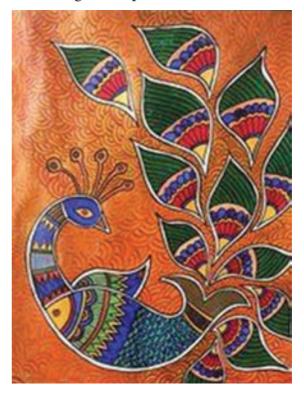


pigments like lampblack and ochre are used to create black and brown respectively. Instead of contemporary brushes, objects like twigs, matchsticks and even fingers are used to create the paintings.

paintings originated in

Madhubani

the Mithila region of Bihar. Some of the initial references to the Madhubani painting can be found in the Hindu epic Ramayana when King Janaka, Sita's father, asks his painters to create Madhubani paintings for his daughter's wedding. The knowledge was passed down from generation to generation and the paintings began to adorn the houses of the region. The women of the village practiced these paintings on the walls of their respective home. Their paintings often illustrated their thoughts, hopes and dreams.



Over time, Madhubani paintings became a part of festivities and special events like weddings. Slowly, this art attracted connoisseurs of art as many contemporary Indian artists took the art to the global stage. The traditional base of plastered mud wall was soon replaced by handmade paper, cloth and canvas. Since the paintings have been confined to a limited geographical range, the themes as well as the style are more or less the same.

Madhubani paintings were initially practised by different sects of people and hence the paintings were categorized into five different styles, such as Tantrik, Kohbar, Bharni, Godna, Katchni. But today, these five different styles have been merged by contemporary artists. The themes used in these paintings often revolve around Hindu deities like Krishna, Rama, Lakshmi, Shiva, Durga and Saraswati. Also, heavenly bodies like the Sun and the Moon often form the centerpiece of Madhubani paintings. The women of the village practised these paintings on the walls of their respective homes.

One can also find paintings based on the scenes from the royal courts and social events like weddings. The usage of geometrical patterns is apparent in these paintings. The fact that these complex mathematical patterns were used in Madhubani paintings makes them more intriguing and special.

These paintings are also known for their simplicity, for the brush and colours used are often derived from natural sources. While the paintings are largely made using powdered rice, colours are derived from turmeric, pollen, pigments, indigo, various flowers, sandalwood, and leaves of various plants and trees, etc. Also, many natural sources are combined and are processed to obtain the desired colours. The colours are often prepared by the artists themselves. If the artists come across empty spaces even after completing the painting, they usually fill up those empty spaces with the motifs of flowers, animals, birds and geometrical patterns. A double line is usually drawn as the border.

#### I. Note making

#### Title - Madhubani Painting

#### Note

- 1. Madhubani Painting
  - 1.1. Famous Indian art form
  - 1.2. Practised in Bihar & Nepal
  - 1.3. Content
    - 1.3.1. Particular occus
    - 1.3.2. Festivals
    - 1.3.3. Religious rituals etc.

1.4. Colours

- 1.4.1. Natural & plant based
- 1.4.2. Bright, lampblack, ochre
- 1.5. Instead of brushes use of :
  - 1.5.1. twigs, matchsticks & fingers
- 2. History and Evolution
  - 2.1. Origin Bihar
  - 2.2. Referred in the Ramayana
  - 2.3. Women Paint on walls
  - 2.4. Evolution

- 2.4.1. became part of festivities & weddings
- 2.4.2. art taken to global stage
- 2.4.3. Style the same
- 3. Style & Designs
  - 3.1. five styles
    - 3.1.1. Tantrik, Kohban, Bharni, Gonda, Kachna
  - 3.2. Themes revolve around Hindu deities & Heavenly bodies Like the sun & the moon
  - 3.3. Empty spaces filled with motifs & geo.ml. patterns
  - 3.4. Double line drawn as border

#### **II ABBREVIATIONS**

Abbreviations used				
	1. &	-	and	
	2. Ind	-	Indian	
	3. Occas.	-	Occasions	
	4. geoml.	-	geometrical	

#### **III Summary**

Madhubani painting is one of the many famous Indian art forms, practised in the Mithila region of Bihar and Nepal. They are often characterized by complex geometrical patterns and they represent ritual content of particular occasions, including festivals, and weddings. The colours are usually derived from plants and other natural sources. Twigs, matchsticks and fingers are used instead of brushes. Over time it has attracted many artists who took the art to the global stage. The paintings are categorized into five different styles and revolve around Hindu deities.

#### ICT Corner.

- https://youtu.be/4MS9zq4Q\_Y0
- Emily Dickinson: 'A bird came down the walk'. By Zenpencils: DO YOU KNOW ? http://zenpencils.com/ comic/99-emily-dickinson-a-birdcame-down-the-walk/
- https://news.artnet.com/art-world/ art-inspired-literature-559481 (art inspired by literature)

EXTENSI	VE F	READ	ING

	Authors
-	Irving Stone
-	Tracy Chevalier
-	Oscar Wilde
-	Dan Brown
-	Osamu Tezuka (Graphic Novel)
-	RainaTelgemeier
-	Joseph Heller
-	Jeff Kinney
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# CAREER CORNER Visual Arts Career Spectrum



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#### Writing / Analytical

- Art Curriculum Writer
- Art Historian
- Art Critic
- Arts Administrator
- Arts and Cultural Planner
- Website Owner / Blogger
- Graphic Novel Author

#### **Graphic Design**

- Advertising Director
- Logo / Branding Designer
- Advertisement Designer
- Sign Writer
- Magazine Layout Designer
- Book / eBook Designer
- Packaging Designer
- Calender / Stationery / Wallpaper Designer
- Typographer

#### **3D Product Design**

- Industrial Designer / Bridge Designer - Toy Designer / Kite Designer / Utensil
- Designer
- Miniature Model Maker / Mock up Artist
- Stained Glass Window Designer
- Prop Designer
- Food Product Designer
- Potter / Ceramic Designer
- Wood Turner / Caver
- Mosaic Designer
- Jeweller - Weaver

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- Glass Artist

### Fine Art

- Airbrush Artist / Spray Painter
- Architectural Illustrator
- Book Illustrator
- Graphic Illustrator
- Technical / Textbook Illustrator
- Story Board Illustrator
- Cartoonist / Caricaturist
- Commercial Artist
- Fine Artist (Painter)
- Printmaker / Screen Printer
- Courtroom Artist
- Art Conservationist
- Special Effects Makeup
- Mural Artist
- Tattoo Artist

#### **Organisation / People Management**

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- Art School Director
- Primary / Elementary Teacher
- Middle / High School art Teacher
- University Lecturer/ Professor
- Private Art Instructor
- Art Therapist
- Artist Agent

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- Art Supplies Retailer

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### **CAREER CORNER**

#### **Fashion / Textiles**

- Fiber Artist
- Accessory Designer (Shoes / Bags / Hats)
- Dressmaker
- Embroiderer
- Fashion Consultant
- Fashion Designer / Sports Apparel Designer
- Fashion Merchandising
- Pattern Maker
- Costume Designer
- Quilt / Rug / Linen Designer
- Fabric / Textile Designer
- T-shirt Designer

#### Spatial Design

- Architect
- Landscape Architect
- Urban Designer / Town Planner
- Playground / Theme Park / Sports Arena

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- / Golf
- Course Designer
- Interior Designer / Decorator
- Set / Stage Design

#### Digital / Multi - Media

- Animator
- Concept Artist
- Digital Illustrator
- Digital 3D Modeller
- IPhone / Android App Designer
- Television / Film Producer
- Documentary Filmmaker
- Camera Operator
- Film Editor
- Special Effects Designer
- Video Game Designer
- Youtube Video Creator

#### **Arranging / Display**

- Food Stylist
- Floral Arranger

- Museum Curator

Personal Stylist
 Picture Framer

- Online Curator

Any Other Career!

and creative thinking !

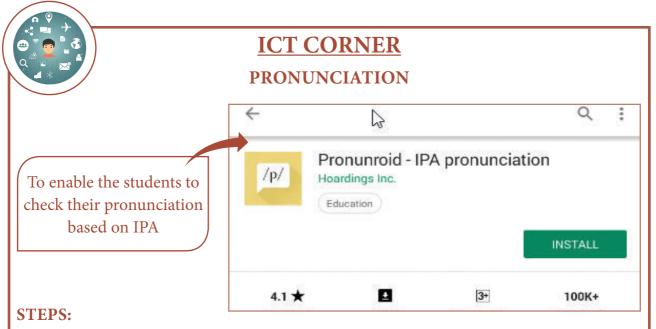
- Display and Exhibition Planner
- Art / Designer / Colour Consultant

- Art can be great preparation for any

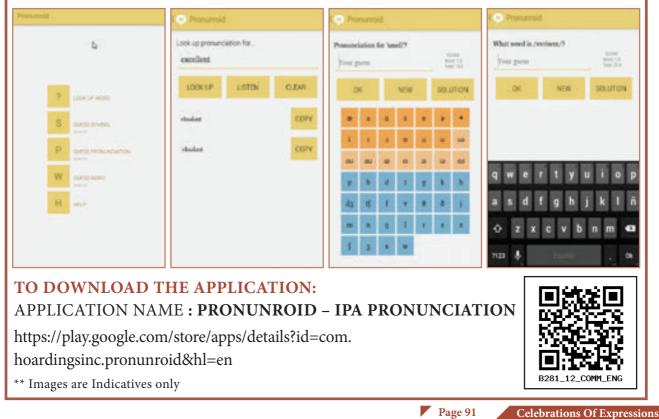
career that requires fine motor skills,

presentation Skills, an eye for aesthetics

- Gallery Owner / Assistant



- 1. Access the application with the help of the link or the QR code which is given below and install it in the mobile.
- 2. You can see the Look up word, Guess symbol, Guess pronunciation and Guess word in the home screen.
- 3. Click Look up word to check the IPA pronunciation of any word. Type the word and you can look up and listen the pronunciation..
- 4. Click Guess Symbol to guess the phonetic symbol of the words given there and score points. You can do the same for Guess Pronunciation also.
- 5. Click Guess word. Type the word by guessing the pronunciation of the phonetic script given there.



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#### 2. Work in pairs and complete the table below:

Evidence of lack of civic sense	Step(s) to combat / improve civic sense
Garbage strewn	Provide dust bins
Defacing monuments	Strict laws and penalty

3. Many people assume that civic sense is just about keeping the roads, streets and public property clean. But it is much more than that. It has to do with respecting fellow beings, and the law, maintaining decorum in public places, defending the country and so on.

In short, civic sense is nothing but social ethics and responsibilities.

The above aspects can be broadly classified under

Personal responsibility

Civic responsibility

Citizen's responsibility

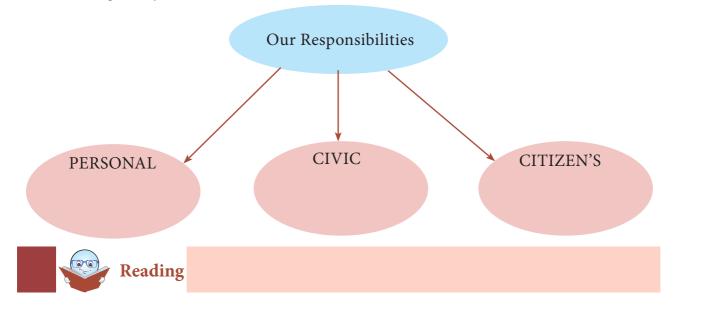
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Now read the following actions carefully and write the numbers given against each action under the appropriate heading given in the bubbles that follow.

- 1. Considering the rights and interest of others
- 2. Caring for and supporting family members
- 3. Staying informed about the issues affecting one's country
- 4. Accepting the consequences of one's actions
- 5. Paying the taxes levied by the government
- 6. Casting one's vote
- 7. Defending the constitution
- 8. Behaving in a civilized manner
- 9. Cherishing the noble ideals which inspired our fighters
- 10. Taking care of public property
- 11. Adhering to moral principles
- 12. Participating in a democratic process
- 13. Promoting harmony and brotherhood
- 14. Upholding and protecting the sovereignty and unity of one's country
- 15. Following safety rules



### a. Read the following passage carefully. GREAT INITIATIVES FOOD BANK AND BEACH CLEANING



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1. One of the major problems today is food wastage. It is estimated that 30 percent of all the food produced around the world is lost, **trashed** or otherwise wasted every year. These **statistics** are **staggering**, especially when you consider how many people around the world need that food to survive.

2. A restaurant owner, Minu Pauline of Kochi, had a solution after seeing a hungry woman pick through trash one night. She decided to donate her restaurant's left over food to the hungry. This **initiative** of hers soon became a major **city-wide** campaign. Pauline stored the café's eats in a refrigerator outside her Kochi restaurant. Soon her small "left overs" refrigerator turned to a large scale donation centre with food from her kitchen and those of other restaurants nearby. Even other citizens donated food to this food bank as a way of helping out. It is open 24 hours a day and is never **surveilled**, allowing those in need to maintain their **privacy** while collecting donated food.

3. Best of all, the food bank provides food for dozens of locals every night, thereby cutting the food waste among the local restaurants. This has become the best example of civic sense and responsibility in recent times.

#### Beach clean up





4. We come across a lot of people who take part in community clean-up efforts. But not everyone has the drive to do what a young lawyer and environmentalist in Mumbai recently accomplished.

5. Afroj Shah was shocked by the pollution that he saw at Versova beach – **rotting** garbage. No one could walk along the beach, let alone swim in the water. He decided to protect the environment.

6. Initially Shah and his neighbour, an eighty-four-year-old man, would go out and pick as much trash as they could. After a while, Shah realised that he had to expand his team if he were to make a **dent** in what was essentially an environmental crisis. He began to knock on doors and

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talk to local residents, explaining the harm caused by marine pollution. His determination inspired a lot of people and soon dozens, hundreds and eventually more than a thousand volunteers from all walks of life pitched in. Clean-ups were ironically called "dates with the ocean", because it was a Herculean task – cleaning

7. This massive undertaking by the Residents Volunteer Organisation is being hailed as the "World's largest beach cleanup effort". After months of toil they picked up tons of trash that had accumulated along the shoreline. They also cleaned fifty two public toilets and planted fifty coconut trees. For his vision and hard work, the UN awarded him the "Champion

the beach in the sweltering sun.

of the Earth" award. "I am an ocean lover and feel that we owe a duty to our ocean to make it free of plastic," he told the UN, "I just hope this is the beginning for coastal communities across India and the world."

8. Shah's work didn't end with the last piece of trash picked up. He wanted to plant thousands of coconut trees and to return the beach to the **lagoon** as it once was. He continued to work to limit the garbage by building **barriers** along the **creek's** upstream that carried litter to the beach.

9. Shah also hopes to bring grassroots clean-up efforts to other parts of India inspiring a nationwide awareness of environmentalism. Ultimately, Shah wants to export this mentality throughout the world, cleaning up oceans, and ecosystems to create a world that can foster life in all its splendour. Thus Afroj Shah and Minu Pauline proved to the world that individuals with great vision and mission can change the surroundings and make the world a better place to live in.

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Gloss	ary		
trashed (v) statistics (n)	<ul> <li>destroyed</li> <li>collection of information in numbers</li> </ul>	rotting (adj.) dent (n) lagoon (n)	<ul> <li>decomposing</li> <li>impact</li> <li>shallow body of water separated</li> </ul>
staggering (adj.) initiative (n) city-wide (adj.)	<ul> <li>great, shocking</li> <li>introductory effort</li> <li>throughout the city</li> </ul>	barrier (n) creek (n) grassroots (adj.)	<ul> <li>from the sea</li> <li>a structure that bars passage</li> <li>small inlet or bay</li> <li>relating to people</li> </ul>
surveilled (v) privacy (n)	<ul> <li>watched by someone</li> <li>not being seen by others</li> </ul>	gracere etc (adjr)	at local levels

#### b. Answer the following questions briefly.

- 1. Complete the following sentences.
  - a) Food wastage \_\_\_\_\_\_b) The statistics are \_\_\_\_\_\_
  - c) the initiative of Minu Pauline has soon become a major \_\_\_\_\_ campaign.
  - d) The food bank is never \_\_\_\_\_\_ to maintain a \_\_\_\_\_\_ for those who collect donated food.
  - e) Shah realised that \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Pick out the words from the passage which mean the same as the following.

- a) succeeded (para 4)
- b) very hot (para 6)
- c) against the flow (para 8)
- d) the inter connectedness of organisms (para 9)
- e) providing care (para 9)

#### 3. Find words from the passage which mean the opposite of the following.

- a) saved (para 1)
- b) small scale (para 2)
- c) far away (para 2)
- d) foreign (para 3)
- e) finally (para 6)

#### c. Read the following poem carefully.

#### A River

#### - By A.K. Ramananujan

In Madurai,

city of temples and poets,

who sang of cities and temples,

every summer

a river dries to a trickle

in the sand,

baring the sand ribs,

straw and women's hair

clogging the watergates

at the rusty bars

under the bridges with patches

of repair all over them

the wet stones glistening like sleepy

crocodiles, the dry ones

shaven water-buffaloes lounging in the sun

The poets only sang of the floods.

He was there for a day

when they had the floods.

People everywhere talked

of the inches rising, Communicative English Page 96



of the precise number of cobbled steps run over by the water, rising on the bathing places, and the way it carried off three village houses, one pregnant woman and a couple of cows named Gopi and Brinda as usual.

The new poets still quoted the old poets, but no one spoke in verse of the pregnant woman

drowned, with perhaps twins in her, kicking at blank walls even before birth.



He said:

the river has water enough to be poetic about only once a year and then it carries away in the first half-hour three village houses, a couple of cows named Gopi and Brinda and one pregnant woman expecting identical twins with no moles on their bodies, with different coloured diapers to tell them apart.

Glossarytrickle(n)-to flow in a thin<br/>gentle streambaring (v)-uncoveringribs (n)-curved ridges

straw (n )	<ul> <li>dry stalks</li> </ul>	
clogging (v)	- blocking	
lounging (v)	- relaxing	
precise(adj.)	_ exact	
cobbled (adj.)	- paved with stones	S
verse (n)	_ poetry	
moles (n)	- marks on the bod	ly

d) Having read the poem, answer the questions given below.

- 1. What does the opening line speak about?
- 2. What does the river look like in summer?
- 3. How is Madurai described in the poem?
- 4. What happens when the river is dry in summer?
- 5. What do the people talk about during the flood?
- 6. What else do the people talk about the flood?
- 7.What does the poet convey?
- 8.Can you identify two similes in the first stanza of the poem?

### e) Following is the summary of the poem. Fill in the blanks with your understanding of the poem.

The poem is about a \_\_\_\_\_\_, which flows through the \_\_\_\_\_\_ city. Poets have written many poems on the \_\_\_\_\_\_. The poet presents two \_\_\_\_\_\_ pictures of the river in summer and during the \_\_\_\_\_\_. People remember how \_\_\_\_\_\_ village houses, a pregnant lady and a couple of \_\_\_\_\_\_ were washed away.

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f) Find the words from the poem which mean the following.		which	g) Find the antonyms of the following words from the poem.	
1	shining	-	1	awake -
2	unit of measurement	-	2	falling -
3	to repeat what someone said	-	3	dissimilar -
			4	together -

#### Language Study

### a. Fill in the blanks in the passage by choosing the most appropriate word from the options given below.

(1)\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a mission, an attitude. It (2)\_\_\_\_\_\_ the actual personality and encompasses unspoken norms of society that help it to run smoothly. Being polite, showing (3)\_\_\_\_\_ to the (4)\_\_\_\_\_, women, children and disabled people, driving in one's lane without honking, throwing garbage in the dustbins are some of the examples of having civic sense. We should be proud of our cultural, religious, social, (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_ and even more, our nation's civilization.

1. (a) response	(b) responsive	(c) responsibility	(d) respond
2. (a) reflective	(b) reflection	(c) reflecting	(d) reflects
3. (a) consider	(b) consideration	(c) considerate	(d) considering
4. (a) elderly	(b) elders	(c) eldest	(d) elder
5. (a) educate	(b) educational	(c) educative	(d) education

### b. Most often we use the word 'very' to express something with emphasis. Instead the English language has other words which express the same.

very angry	furious	very good	excellent
very bad	awful	very open	transparent
very big	massive	very painful	excruciating
very friendly	amiable	very perfect	flawless
very funny	hilarious	very poor	destitute

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## 1. Now replace the following with one word for each phrase.

1. very crowded	•••••	6. very intelligent	•••••
2. very dear		7. very large	
3. very deep		8. very shy	
4. very detailed		9. very skinny	
5. very important		10. very sorry	

## 2. Now supply a word or phrase for the following words.

1. very	serene	6. very	thrilled
2. very	stingy	7. very	rare
3. very	_ – obvious	8. very	colossal
4. very	arduous	9. very	– archaic
5. very	_ – tedious	10. very	lethargic

# c. Here are some words that we often get confused with. Learn to use them correctly. After going through the table, frame sentences using the words given in the box.

AFFECT	EFFECT
is a verb meaning to influence	is a noun meaning a result or outcome
MAY	MIGHT
expresses permission, possibility, or human interpretation	is used in the same way, but implies possibility over permission
FEW	LESS
is an adjective that describes countable nouns	is an adjective that describes uncountable nouns
CITE	SITE
is a verb meaning to mention or to make reference to	is a noun meaning location
AMONG	BETWEEN
can be appropriately used to describe broad relationships when more than two things are involved	is used to describe specific relationships involving only two things
ACCEPT	EXCEPT
is to willingly receive	is to omit or exclude

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FIGURATIVELY	LITERALLY
means metaphorically	describes something that actually happened
FARTHER	FURTHER
is used to literally describe matters of measurable distance	is more figurative and is used for broader general comparison
ALTERNATE	ALTERNATIVE
is someone or something that serves in place of another	is a second option that does not replace the first





# NOMINALISATION

Nominalisation is a type of word formation in which a verb or an adjective is transformed into a noun by adding suffixes.

a. Link the words with a suffix to make Nouns. Make the necessary changes. One has been done for you.

	-er -ship -ance -th -ation -ness	s -ity -en		-ior	n -ment -age -al -cy -ry
1	refuse	-	al	-	refusal
2	decide	-		-	
3	teach	-		-	
4	transform	-		-	
5	weak	-		-	
6	infect	-		-	
7	assist	-		-	
8	argue	-		-	
9	urgent	-		-	
10	occur	_		-	

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11	marry	-	-	
12	secure	-	-	
13	friend	-	-	
14	true	-	-	
15	minister	-	-	

# b. Find the Adjectives of the words below in the word search. One example has been done for you.

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S	Q	А	Е	S	С	А	Κ	Ζ	L	Ν	L	R	U	S
Ι	А	Ζ	Ν	Т	Е	S	Т	U	В	D	I	R	A	Н
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L	F	V	Х	Х	Е	Т	Е	Е	R	R	C	G	R	Y
Ι	Е	L	0	R	С	R	Ι	R		A	Ο	Q	S	Т
Н	J	F	Ν	Е	Е	R	0/	S	A	W	L	М	0	S
С	Ν	А	Р	М	F	N	E	U	М	С	Ο	С	В	Х
Х	W	S	S	U	V	D	K	Κ	S	G	U	Η	G	С
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R	Q	S	Ζ	Е	F	G	U	Q	Ν	L	F	Ν	Ζ	Т
D	R	Е	Р	U	В	L	Ι	С	А	Ν	U	E	Х	Y
Т	Ν	Е	R	Е	F	F	Ι	D	Κ	Y	L	S	Η	Ν
R	Ι	W	С	Ι	G	Ν	Ι	R	Ο	В	Ν	Е	А	Ν
0	Ν	F	Ν	А	Х	В	G	D	А	V	С	Ν	L	Y

# c. Identify the root words and suffixes as done in the example.

1. survival	= survive + al	6. married =	
2. glorious	=	7. usage =	
3. historian	=	8. honesty =	
4. rarely	=	9. combination =	
5. education	=	10. equality =	

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d. Fill in the blanks with the correct noun form of the word given in brackets.

E.g.: This chair is of great comfort. (comfortable)

1. The crisis will affect every \_\_\_\_\_. (national)

2. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the old man is the talk of the town. (generous)

3. In our \_\_\_\_\_\_ we were very active and enthusiastic. (young)

# e. Rewrite the sentences with the noun form of the verb underlined. One has been done for you.

E.g.: We <u>evaluated</u> the results.

The evaluation of the results was done by us.

- 1. <u>Define</u> a business strategy.
- 2. <u>Identify</u> the nouns, it is an important exercise.
- 3. This article costs Rs.100.

### f. Fill in the blanks with the verb form of the noun given within brackets:

- E.g.. He admires (admiration) nature.
- 1. Jane \_\_\_\_\_ (reply) curtly.
- 2. This movie does not \_\_\_\_\_ (amusement) me.
- 3. Your answer \_\_\_\_\_ (difference) from mine.

# g. Complete the following passage by filling in with the right form of the words given in brackets.

### Friends

Everyone wants to have friends, but building A new (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (relate) is not always easy. A few people are born with outgoing (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (personal); they have a natural (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (able) to make new friends wherever they go. But not many people are(4) (complete) at ease in a room full of strangers. Most of us feel (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (nerve) when we meet new people, and this can occasionally make us appear (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (friend) when in fact we are just shy. In any case, the (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (develop) of new friendships is a gradual process – it doesn't just happen overnight. Long-standing friendships (8) (general)have several things in common. The friends enjoy the same sorts of (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_; (active) and share similar beliefs and values, they are (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (honest) with one another, and have similar (11) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (expect). They (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (confidence) in each other, when they have problems. Friends never share a (13) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (bore) time with one another and are usually very(14) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (appreciate) of each other. It (15) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (appears) that some are friends based because they seem to share a Communicative English Page 102  $( \bullet )$ 

similar taste for. Having close friends helps you gain (16) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (strong) in terms of (17) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (confide). In order to be a (18) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (truth) friend there are a few (19) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (require) such as (20) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (tolerant) and patience.

### **SUBJECT – VERB AGREEMENT**

### a. Complete the following sentences by circling the appropriate form of the verb.

- 1. Each of the teams (were / have / was) given a trophy.
- 2. Neither Mani nor Mohan ( were / have / was )given a trophy.
- 3. She and I (was / were / have) at the University last week.
- 4. No prize or cash (were / have / was) given to the boy, though he performed very well.
- 5. Either Seenu or Reenu ( are / has / is) responsible for the blunder.
- 6. One of my sisters ( have / has / was ) gone to Sweden.

### b. Supply the blanks with suitable verbs.

- 1. Plenty of apples and mangoes \_\_\_\_\_\_ available in this shop.
- 2. One of my friends \_\_\_\_\_ in Madurai.
- 3. Fifteen kilometres \_\_\_\_\_\_ a long distance by foot.
- 4. Every teacher and every student \_\_\_\_\_ present.
- 5. Neither he nor his mother \_\_\_\_\_ arrived.
- 6. A number of animals \_\_\_\_\_\_ leaving the forest in search of water.
- 7. Time and tide \_\_\_\_\_ for none.
- 8. She as well as her cousins \_\_\_\_\_\_ invited.

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### c. Match A with B to make grammatically correct sentences.

- B
- 1. Either my uncle or my grandfather is requested to stay back.
- 2. All children have to be on the move everyday.
- 3. Everyone who attended this programme are happy with their pay rise.
- 4. You along with your manager was busy with the project.

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5. The staff	shall be present tomorrow.
6. Four hours	was anxious to finish the lesson.
7. The police	is coming home today.
8. Atul, as well as his sister	are dismissed.
9. The driver with his car	is too short a duration.
10. Not only the students but also the teacher	was missing.

# d. Take a look at the letter below. There are errors in the letter. Underline the errors and re-write the letter without any errors.

#### Dear sister,

I was delighted to read you're letter last week. It's always a pleasure to recieve the latest news and to here that you had a great time with your family.

Our family two went on a vocation last month. We spend a week at the beach and have much fun on the sand and on the water. But the rains spoil our mood. But luckilly, we had visited many tourist spot before the rains started.

My kids are back to school. There is less things to do now. I had to plan for the next vacation now. Hoping to come up for some creative ideas soon.

## Your loving sister Lakshmi

Did you find all the 15 errors?

# e. Edit the following passage. Write the incorrect word and the correct word in the blanks provided. The first correction has been done for you.

	INCORRECT WORD	CORRECT WORD
One cold morning, my class was fill	fill	filled
with excitement. Someone have discovered	a)	
that the next day was our teachers birthday	b)	
Our teacher was the kinder person in	c)	

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the school. Thus she is the favourite teacher to	d)	 
all the pupils. Everyone want to get	e)	 
her a gift. I to wanted to show	f)	 
my appreciation. I spend the	<b>g</b> )	 
whole afternoon shop for a gift.	h)	 
I couldn't get anything suitable to	i)	 
her. Finally I made on my mind	j)	 
The next day I give her a bouquet.	k)	 





### Discussion

Your school is observing World Water Day. Eminent speakers have been invited to discuss on the topic "water shortage". Listen to the discussion and answer the questions given.

The panel of speakers consists of the following:

- 1. Instructor one who schedules the programme
- 2. Moderator encourages interaction among the speakers and moderates the discussion
- 3. Experts speakers who discuss the core topic

- a. Identify the speakers of the following statements and mark the answers as 'M' for Moderator, 'R' for Ramesh, 'I' for instructor and 'J' for Joseph in the boxes provided.
- 1. As many as 4 billion people live under severe water stress.
- 2. Either there is too much water in certain places or not enough water in other places.
- 3. Short fall of rain being the most important issue
- 4. Do not keep taps running.

# b. State whether the statements are true or false.

- 1. 14 of the world's 15 big cities have water scarcity.
- 2. Water shortage is not due to climatic changes but due to poor water management.
- 3. Water shortage stems from forestation.
- c. Based on your listening fill in the blanks with one word only.
- 1. Many people already live in regions that \_\_\_\_\_\_ water stress.
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ is facing a challenge of water shortage.
- 3. More active \_\_\_\_\_ is required from people.
- d. Choose the correct answers from the options given.
- 1. Practical solution to solve water shortage is

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- a) do not keep taps running
- b) do not recycle water
- c) do not grow crops
- 2. To \_\_\_\_\_\_ the water crisis the best option is to share water.
  - a) maximize
  - b) minimize
  - c) optimize
- 3. Obey water restrictions \_\_\_\_\_
- a) declared b) created c) enforced

# Listening and Speaking



Role play the following situations.

- a. Given below is a discussion among a parent, teacher and a student, wherein they talk about the responsibilities and challenges they have to face in life.
- Parent Instill values right from childhood – cleanliness – value for money – respecting the space for individuals – decision– making skills during emergencies, prioritising – being aware of abuse of children.
- Teacher School being second home extended duties; to work with groups of children of different

background – team work – leadership qualities – how to be a follower with values, loyalty etc.

Student – Being heard by elders – be open about – abuses, emotionally hurt – values like – respect for elders – learn from models (Parent & Teacher ) – pressures and expectations – comparison-(sibling)

### b. Process of voting

Very soon you will all be eligible to vote in elections. Check your awareness.

The Election Commission of India is in-charge of everything concerning the process of election. It conducts the elections and has devised certain norms that are listed below.

- You must first register on the Electoral Roll which is a list of eligible voters. You can even apply online at designated locations or through a booth level officer.
- You will be issued a Voter ID which you need to present at the polling booth.
- You are responsible to find out where the polling booth is in your respective constituency.
- You must familiarize yourself with all the names, parties and the symbols of all the candidates contesting in your locality.
- You can vote on the Electronic Voting Machines available in the polling booth.

- You just have to press the button next to your desired candidate's name and symbol. You can also vote NOTA if you are not very keen in choosing any of the candidates contesting. NOTA means 'none of the above'.
- You will receive a mark of indelible ink on your index finger that signifies that you have voted.
- You must take pride in casting your vote as every vote counts. A multitude of people voting will surely make a difference. The responsibility lies on every individual.

Remember VOTING IS YOUR RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY.

Here is a discussion on the Voting system and the need to exercise one's vote. In a group of three, role play the following.

**First time voter (18 yrs old)** – excited – eager to vote – sense of identity – franchise – feels proud about it – learns about the electoral system – procedures

**Experienced Voter-** Experienced voter – committed – exercise the rights – duty bound considers it his right – never missed the chance

**NOTA(VOTER)** – Not happy with the election system – doesn't want his rights to be misused – wants to show his emphatic stand

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A circular is a piece of communication in writing aimed to give information to people concerned. It is often treated as a message or notice and is very common with all institutions, organizations, companies, government sectors etc.

You may follow the format suggested.

### Name of the Institution

CIRCULAR

Date: Circular No.:

Salutation

Sub:

Body : Details of Information

Name

Issuing authority

Victory Higher Secondary School, Trichy

# CIRCULAR

3rd September'18 Circular No. # SN/P/05

Dear Parent

Sub: Mobile phones prohibited

You are hereby requested to ensure that your wards don't carry mobile phones to school. If students are found using it on the campus, strict action will be taken against them. Kindly co-operate.

With regards,

#### Headmaster

Please be aware that mobile phone is prohibited in school.

#### Task

You are aware that wearing a helmet has been made mandatory for bikers and pillion riders to ensure safety. On behalf of your Headmaster, draft a circular to be sent to the parents of your school.

#### **b. DEBATE**



### Who's responsible?

Civic sense which is the need of the hour often becomes the last in our list. A lot of issues about the lack of civic sense can be solved if children are inculcated with a sense of ownership.

Choose one of the topics given on the next page and write the text of speech for a debate in not less than 150 words.

## Follow the guidelines given in Unit -1.

1	Teaching children the basics of life, like being compassionate, respecting elders, being responsible etc.	Is it the responsibility of teachers or parents?
2	Old age home	Is it a boon or bane?
3	Linking of Rivers	A dream or a reality?
4	Clean Environment	In the hands of the government or individuals?
5	Voting should be made compulsory	Agree or disagree?

### c. Letter of Complaint

Many a time when we are not satisfied with a product or the services offered by a company / Govt. sector , we express our dissatisfaction about it in the form of a letter, which is termed as a letter of complaint.

1. Given below is a sample letter of complaint with blanks. Follow the clues given with each blank and complete the body of the letter. Rewrite the letter using the format suggested.

**Complaining about a product** 

(Sender's address) (Date) (Receiver's Address) Sir / Madam

Sub: (mention the product and the complaint).

I am writing this letter to complain about (product's name, model purchased on, place of purchase).

The (product) has not been working since (from when?) as (mention the defect / problem).

However, (state the actual problem). This has caused (mention the inconveniences caused).

I have already contacted (whom? designation) but no action has been taken so far and the problem persists.

Now, I request you to (suggest solution) and resolve the problem at the earliest. I have enclosed herewith (what?) dated (when?).

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Thank you,

Yours faithfully,

# Encl: copy of the receipt

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### 2. Complaining about poor service

(Sender's address) (Date) (Receiver's Address) Sir / Madam

Sub: Complaining about (problem)

This is to express my dissatisfaction over (irregular / improper / unsatisfactory service). This problem has put me into a lot of trouble (list a few). This could have been avoided if

(measures / steps to solve).

I strongly feel that this lapse is due to (reason).

I therefore request you to (action to be taken) and help us (free of problem).

Thank you,

Yours faithfully,

### Task

### City police urge residents to install CCTV cameras to prevent crimes

As suggested by the Chennai City Police you installed closed circuit television cameras to prevent theft and crime. Unfortunately one of the cameras stopped functioning. Write a letter of complaint to V6 Visions requesting them to attend to your complaint as it is still under the warranty period. (Word limit – 100)

Use the sample letter format, that you worked on prior to this task.

Here are a few guidelines

- follow the format of a formal letter
- state the real problem you are facing
- include copies of relevant documents / receipts / warranty details
- suggest remedies
- give them a time limit to solve the problem
- conclude respectfully
- avoid nasty remarks

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### d. SHORT PARAGRAPH

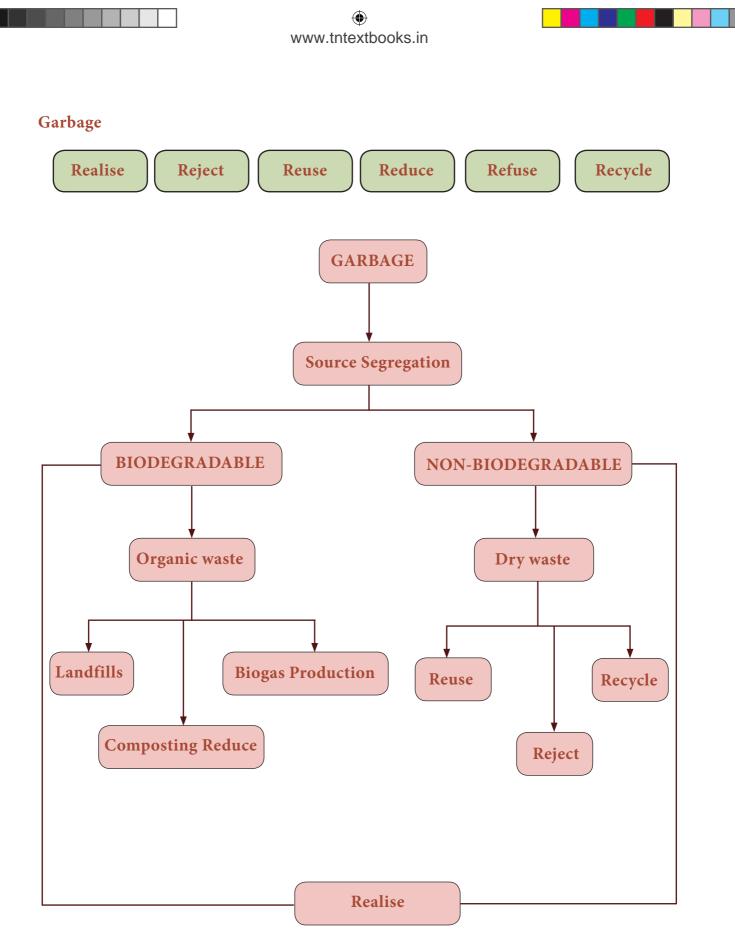
 "We don't grow when things are easy. We grow when we face challenges."
 Community service should be an integral part of school curriculum and students should be awarded marks for their contribution.

Write your views about this in a paragraph of about 100 words.

2. India's Biggest Challenge

Observe the flowchart that follows and write a short paragraph on "Waste Management". Remember to use the watch words.





## **Extensive Reading**

Civic Hope – Rodrick.P.Hart

The Good Citizen - David Batstone, Eduardo Mendieta

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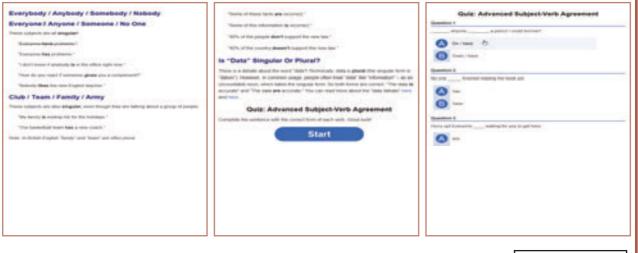
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### **STEPS:**

- 1. Type the URL link given below in the browser or scan the QR code to access the website.
- 2. You can see the rules of Advanced Subject Verb agreement with many examples clearly. Read those rules carefully.
- 3. Scroll down to take a Quiz in Subject Verb agreement.
- 4. Click **START** button to begin the quiz.
- 5. Check your score after giving answers to all the questions.



# **WEBSITE LINK:**

Click the following link or scan the QR code to access the website.

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.wobniw shi to tuo taced the dead man were left open. It means that the man wouldn't have jumped tend to close the window behind him. But in this case, none of the windows which 1) When a person commits suicide by jumping out of a window, he doesn't

lady's drink melted completely, releasing the poison into the juice. the juice before the ice cubes could melt completely. But the ice cubes in the other 2) In fact, the poison was in the ice. The young lady who escaped death drank

1) A detective comes to a crime scene. A man is said to have jumped out of a window of an abandoned building and committed suicide. The detective goes inside the building to the first floor, to the room at the front. He goes up to the window through which the man had jumped, opens it and looks at the dead man. Then he goes to the second floor and does the same. He continues until he has visited all the floors and repeated the

2) Two young ladies stopped at a fresh fruit juice stall and ordered sweet lime juice with ice. One of them was very thirsty and drank very fast and ordered one more. She had two glasses during the time, the other drank only one. Tragically the girl who was drinking the juice slowly dies while the other stayed alive. But it turned out that all the drinks they had been served contained poison. How is it possible that the girl who drank more survived ?

action. Then he returns to his team and

says that it's by no means a suicide, but a

murder. How did he find it out?

b. It is scientifically proved that solving detective riddles everyday will develop your reasoning skill. Now put on your thinking hat and solve the riddles given below logically.

a. The pictures given above are places of mystery. Find out where they are and what is mysterious in these places.



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**Mystery And Adventure** 

**Answers** 

c. The dictionary defines 'adventure' as an 'unusual and exciting or daring experience'. The following are some of the popular adventure sports. Identify them as land sport, air sport and water sport and list them under the appropriate headings.

Aquajogging	Bird watching
Mountaineering	Para gliding
Skiing	Snorkeling
Sky diving	Rafting
Scuba diving	Rock climbing
Bungee jumping	Kayaking
Wildlife safari	Surfing

Land Sport	Air Sport	Water Sport

Reading

a. Read the following story of how some young boys and their coach were saved from a cave in Thailand.

### **Mission Impossible**

1. On 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2018, 12–boys of a football team – 'the Wild Boars' went exploring in Thailand's Chiang Rai **province** with their football coach and ended up being trapped for two weeks, deep inside a cave underneath a mountain.

2. What happened over those two weeks is a remarkable story of friendship, human **endurance** and selflessness in saving lives. The dramatic rescue operation gripped the world. 3. The team and their young coach had often **ventured** deep into Tham Luang cave, sometimes as far as 8 km for initiation rites where they would write the names of the new team members on a cave wall.

4. In high spirits, they **clambered** into the cave that fateful day with just their torches. After all, they were planning to be there only for an hour. They never thought that they would not emerge until two weeks later.

5. Deep in the cave, the Wild Boars found themselves in trouble. It had been raining for the last few days, and all the water falling on the mountain was fast filling up the Tham Luang cave system. The group was caught off guard by a flash flood. They had no choice but to scramble even deeper into the cave.

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6. The Wild Boars eventually found themselves marooned on a small rocky shelf about 4 km from the cave entrance, past a dry point known as Pattaya Beach which by now was flooded. Surrounded by darkness, the boys lost all sense of time. But they were determined to survive. They used rocks to dig deeper into the shelf to create a cavern where they could huddle together and keep warm. Coach Aken, a former monk, taught the boys meditation techniques to help them stay calm and use as little air as possible and told them to lie still to conserve their strength. They had no food but they had water in the form of moisture dripping from the caves' walls. They had the right conditions to survive at least for a little while. And most importantly the team had the support of each other.

7. Outside the cave, a full blown rescue operation was quickly unfolding. The Thai Navy Seals, the National Police, other rescue teams and local volunteers pitched in.



8. Exploring the

cave was a challenge. Weather was merciless and the heavy rainfall and flooding chambers hindered the rescuers.

9. Engineers desperately tried to pump water out of the cave – but struggled initially.

10. At the start no one had any idea what to do. They even tried drilling into the mountain side and used **drones** with thermal sensors to locate the boys.

11. Outside the cave, the boys' worried families offered prayers for their lives. The group gradually expanded to include teachers, administrators, classmates and villagers who rallied together, donating money and hundreds of packages of food to the relatives of the boys and their coach. A sense of community soon began to spread, volunteers from other parts of Thailand flew in, while social media lit up with expressions of love and support.

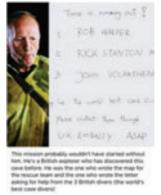
12. International cave divers from UK, USA, Belgium, Australia, Scandinavia and many other countries arrived by Thursday,

28th June. Over the next few days, the divers faced a constant battle with the elements. Two British divers John Volanthen and Rick Stanton had been



braving Than Luang's narrow, murky passage ways for several days laying out guide ropes and by 2<sup>n</sup>d July Monday, the lost Wild Boars and their coach had been found. The two divers spent some time

trying to boost their morale. They left lights, and promised to return with food. The parents of the boys were **ecstatic** to know that their children had m i r a c u l o u s l y survived.



13. After nine days, the group received medicated liquid food and mineral water with vitamins.

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14. The rescuers set to work in figuring out how to extract 13 people – from a winding, flooded 4 km stretch of caves that even experienced divers would struggle with.

15. Overnight a small makeshift town mushroomed at the rural country park by the cave entrance. Food stalls were set up and no job was too small to do. People began cleaning the toilets, offered free lifts and a local laundromat cleaned the rescuers' clothes every night. Spirits were high but the death of a navy seal diver Saman Gunan devastated the community.

16. Time was running out. Finally on 6th July, rescuers set up an oxygen supply and the boys communicated with their

parents, by writing letters. On Sunday 7th July, the Thai a u t h o r i t i e s announced they were pulling out the boys. It was a super human effort involving 100 Thai and foreign divers.



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17. Each boy was given a full face air mask to ensure he could breathe and was clipped to a diver. Another diver

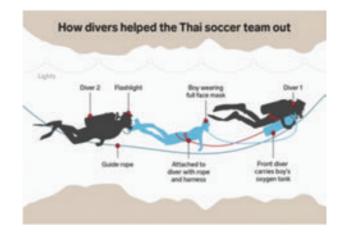
a c c o m p a n i e d them. An oxygen cylinder was strapped to the front of the child, while a handle was attached to their backs – and they were held face down to



The descriptions of these pics are self-explanatory. #heroes.

ensure water would run away from their faces. It was like a "shopping bag" that allowed them to **manoeuvre** the boys around the obstacles. The boys were sedated to ensure that they would not panic.

18. Rescuers had to **winch** the boys up a steep slope using a pulley system, passing the boys hand to hand. One by one, all the Wild Boars were brought out of the darkness of Tham Luang. By the time the last batch of boys and the coach were out, water levels started rising again. But there were the Navy Seal divers and a medic who had looked after the Wild Boars, as well as Richard Harris, a famed Australian cave diving expert and doctor, still in the cave. They emerged shortly and soon the flood waters rushed in.



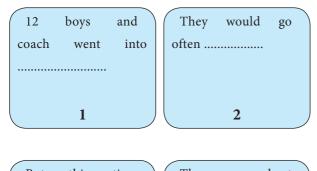
19. It was an astonishing feat - after two agonizing weeks, the Thai Cave boys and their coach were finally out at last, safe and sound.

20. It's a story of ordinary people coming together in a remote town with one mission: to save 12 young boys and their coach; and the impossible mission was accomplished.

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	Glossa	ry	
1.	province (n)	-	area governed as a unit of a country
2.	endurance (n)	-	stamina, strength
3.	venture (n)	-	risky undertaking
4.	clambered (v)	-	climbed awkwardly
5.	marooned (v)	-	abandoned
6.	cavern (n)	-	large cave
7.	drones (n)	-	unmanned aircraft
8.	ecstatic (adj.)	-	overwhelming happiness
9.	manoeuvre (n)	-	planned movement
10.	winch (n)	-	lifting device

# a. Complete the blanks in the boxes below by reading the passage carefully.



But this time		They kept
they got caught in	L	themselves warm by
3		4
The coach taught		·····

	the boys and	prevented the rescuers
	to save their	from entering the cave.
	energy.	
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Two divers reached Engineers tried the boys by ..... and ..... ..... to find the and ..... location of the boys. 7 8 They received The boys wrote .....and ..... letters to their parents on ..... and on the after ..... next day ..... 9 10 The ..... were boys were brought out of the cave strapped to the boys and a ..... helped the by .....

# b. Number the following statements as they occur in the passage.

divers to move the boys away from obstacles.

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1. International cave divers arrived ()

- 2. The two divers spent some time, left lights and promised to return with food. ( )
- 3. Engineers tried to pump water out of the cave. ( )
- Thai National Police, Thai Navy Seals and local rescue teams pitched in. ( )
- 5. The last Wild Boars and their coach had been found. ( )
- 6. Two British divers laid out guide ropes for several days. ( )

# c. Find the words from the passage which mean the same as the following.

- a. risk undertaken (para 3)
- b. to protect (para 6)
- c. temporary (para 15)

# d. Make sentences of your own using the words given below.

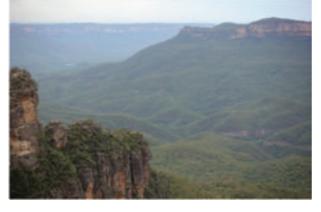
- a. sedated b. agonising
- c. manoeuvre d. accomplished

# e. Read the following poem carefully:

Hard Is The Journey By Li Po

Gold vessels of fine wines, thousands a gallon, Jade dishes of rare meats, costing more thousands,

I lay my chopsticks down, no more can banquet, I draw my sword and stare wildly about me:



Ice bars my way to cross the Yellow River, Snows from dark skies to climb the T'ai-hang mountains!

At peace I drop a hook into a brooklet, At once I'm in a boat but sailing sunward... (Hard is the journey, Hard is the journey, So many turnings, And now where am I?)

So when a breeze breaks waves, bringing fair weather, I set a cloud for sails, cross the blue oceans!



# Glossary

1.	gallon (n)	-	liquid measure of eight pints or 4.55 litres
2.	jade (n)	-	semi precious stone of dark green colour
3.	chopsticks (n)	-	pair of thin sticks used to eat Chinese food
4.	banquet (n)	-	elaborate formal dinner

- f. Answer the following questions carefully.
  - 1. What is the first stanza of the poem about?
  - 2. Why do you think the poet's tone changes in the second stanza?
  - 3. What obstacles create the tension in the poet?
  - 4. On what note does the poet end the poem?

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- g. Find a word from the poem which means the same as the following:
  - a) unusual b) glare
  - c) truce d) sunny

# h. On the basis of your understanding of the poem, fill in the blanks of the summary given below.

The poet begins by describing ..... fine wine and ..... rare meats. When he says that he lays the ..... down, he means to say that he cannot ..... and ..... Anymore because he has to ..... on the ..... ahead of him. When he says he drops a hook into a ...., it means that his journey has many ..... and he is bewildered and ....., but towards the end of the poem, the poet seems to take an ..... approach. He describes good weather as, "A breeze breaks waves", and because of this ....., the journey does not seem as ...... The good weather brings a sense of joy and happiness, so he sets sail to, "..... »

### LANGUAGE STUDY

a. Choose the expressions from the boxes to complete the sentences given below:

gripped the world	caught off guard
in high spirits	running out of time

- 1. Many residents were ..... by the fury of the storm.
- 2. The joyful man, Tony appeared ..... despite his injury.

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- 3. We were ....., so we decided to return home.
- 4. The Thai cave rescue story which ....., had a happy ending.
- b. Fill in the blanks in the sentences given below with the correct alternative chosen from the pairs provided in the brackets.
- The French doctor understood the full importance of the ..... now being performed and never questioned the religious..... of his patients. (rights, rites)
- 2. The ..... of the story was clear but it did not help in restoring the ..... of the sailors listening to the story. (morale, moral)
- 3. The employers must always ..... the lives of their employees so that they ..... increased productivity. (ensure, insure)
- 4. The monk's ..... to teach meditation to the young boy's was appreciated but the young boy's ..... into the monastery was a surprise to their parents. (initiation, initiative)

# c. Replace the underlined words with one word which means the same.

<u>Every year</u>, on August 15, Cochin Adventure foundation <u>arranges</u> <u>systematically</u> a white water rafting event on Tejaswini river in Pilingome, Kannur. Pilingome, is a two hour drive from Payyannur. The three-hour rafting ride will <u>extend over</u> a distance of 10 kilometers. Each raft will carry greatest

<u>number</u> of seven people. <u>The persons</u> <u>who take part</u> will be briefed on safety measures by <u>people who train them</u> and provided with safety equipment.

River Tejaswini is also known as Karimkodu and <u>starts from</u> the Brahmajiri hills of Coorg forest in Karnataka. The river flows through Kannur and Kasargod in Kerala before meeting the Arabian Sea near Nileswaran. According to the Kerala Tourism Board about 20 kilometers of the 64 kilometers long river is considered the <u>most suitable</u> for rafting.

# d. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate word from those given in brackets.

Britain recently (announced, celebrated, abolished) National Park Week during which a poll was conducted to find out the ..... (haunted, favourite, hated) parks of Britons. Lake District in North West England ..... (emerged, declared, stood out)the winner, with 27% votes, which was thrice that of the second most ..... (disliked, unpopular, famous) sites. Lake District region is home to a ..... (breathtaking, unbearable, ugly) mountainous area that is ..... (wellknown, unknown, familiar) for having inspired William Wordsworth and was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2017. The region has 12 of the .....(biggest, tallest, shortest) lakes in England. Families can take part in walking, cycling, swimming activities and in winter can head to the mountains and take up one of the many ..... (summer, cold, winter)skills courses.







# a. Fill in the blank with one appropriate word. One has been done for you.

No one knows his name. No one knows the name of the town he came from. He appears to have lived in the jungles ..... Brazil, Amazon ..... 22 years. A video was released for the first time .....Brazil's Indian Foundation, an agency that supports indigenous communities. The video shows the images of the so-called uncontacted indigenous man ..... is believed to be the last living member of ..... tribe. Anthropologists say the man who is believed to be in his fifties, has lived alone for years in the jungle. ..... agency tried to establish contact with this man a few times starting in 1996 ..... he responded to outsiders with hostility.

b. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each of the lines indicated with a blank. Underline each error and write the correct word in the space provided. The first correction has been done as an example.

- a town about 60 km south of Chennai famous by its stone carvings.
- The "butterball" is a giant balancing rock, 5 meters of diameter,

. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

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- perched at a smooth slope, seemingly defying all laws of physics.
- It's a common sight to seeing visitors placing hands under the stone
- posing for pictures, which looks as though they were holding it up.
- The rocks provides welcome shade if you dare to sit underneath it,
- and local kids has discovered that the slippery nearby hillside also
- make a great natural slide.

### c. Punctuate the given passage.

are cherry seeds lucky i asked of course said grandfather what can i do with a seed i asked plant it said grandfather so i found a small space and began to dig up a flower bed

# d. Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the word given in brackets.

 Ram \_\_\_\_\_(give) his maiden concert at the Music Academy that evening. As he \_\_\_\_\_\_(get) ready to leave the house, his mother \_\_\_\_\_\_(call) him and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(ask) him if he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(offer) his prayers to the Goddess of learning. Ram \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(answer) in the affirmative and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(reach) for the keys of his car. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(practice) well and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(look) forward to the concert as an opportunity to establish his talent. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (know) that he \_\_\_\_\_ (have) to surmount great blocks at every stage. Yet he \_\_\_\_\_ (undaunt) and \_\_\_\_\_ (determine) to prove that he \_\_\_\_\_ (will) shortly be a force to reckon with in the world of music.

- e. Complete the following poem by filling the blanks with the appropriate form of the words given below in the brackets. The first one has been done for you. Supply a suitable title of your own.
- <u>Education</u> (educate) is the light of our life
- ✤ A gift of \_\_\_\_\_ ( academy) rife
- The key to a bright and \_\_\_\_\_\_ (reward) future
- A glue that \_\_\_\_\_( join) our dreams like a suture.
- ✤ A path to divine \_\_\_\_\_ (succeed)
- A smooth drive to our \_\_\_\_\_
   (great)
- Gives our thinking a different \_\_\_\_\_ (appear)
- And helps drive away all our \_\_\_\_\_ (ignore)

# f. Change the following into Indirect Speech.

1) The little boy said to his mother, "It is a celebration mother, but we don't eat. All winter long my teacher has been teaching us songs and dances. Now she wants to celebrate our achievements and invite our honourable parents to celebrate with her. She is proud of us and wants to make our parents proud too." 2) Biju said to her brother, "My teacher says there is more than we really understand. This is a great big country now, but it wasn't always so. People from many different nations have come here with many different ideas. Now we all belong to the same nation and sing songs like one big happy family."

# g. Combine the following pairs of sentences into one single sentence as shown in the example.

**Example:** My friend was <u>cheerful</u>. This made me forget my sorrow.

**Ans:** The cheerfulness of my friend made me forget my sorrow.

- 1. The furniture <u>was removed</u>. The room looked spacious.
- 2. He <u>depends</u> on my salary. This worries me.
- 3. Jog everyday. It is a good exercise.
- 4. The umpire <u>handled</u> the match well. It was appreciated.
- 5. Health care <u>has improved</u>. It is surprising.
- 6. All like Sheetal. Her qualities are <u>admired</u>.
- 7. I respect Mr Das. He is a simple person.
- 8. Fossil fuels are <u>burnt</u>. It adds to the environment being polluted.
- 9. The building's foundation is <u>strong</u>. Hence it prevented it from collapsing during the earthquake.

h. Some words are missing in the following passage. Insert a slash where the word is missing and write the missing word in the blank provided against each line. The first one has been done for you.

One day, many years ago,/ mother the of 56 year old British diver Rick Stanton asked him to watch TV programme about two cave divers who taking the longest cave dive the world. Stanton was hooked and decided cave diving his future. He soon became one the world's leading cave divers had an uncanny knack seeing what other people missed. was his ability to see obvious that helped Stanton, along fellow diver John Volanthan, find soccer players and coach who had gone missing the most dangerous caves.

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- i. Rearrange the following phrases to make meaningful sentences. The first word has been given in bold letters.
- /To follow / and / food sources / to hunt. / Our earliest / a / nomadic drive /ancestors/had/
- 2. /Starving to death. / to move / and / They needed / explore / literally avoid / to find/herds / and / the best/
- 3. /Conquests / **Since** then / adventure/ and refinement. / has fuelled / human/
- 4. /Embrace / thrive / adventure. / **People** /when / seek out /and / they/
- 5. /Adventure / almost / as well. / accompanies / **Desire** of growth/



You are going to listen to a tour guide who guides the tourists and explains the anti – gravity spot in Santa Cruz, California, in USA, popularly known as Mystery Spot.

# Mystery Spot Defies Gravity And Logic



Take a minute to observe the given pictures before you proceed with the listening task.

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Now listen to the tourist guide sharing a lot of information about the Mystery Spot. Based on your listening complete the following with appropriate words.

- 1. The speaker is a .....
- 2. The name of the tourist attraction is
- 3. Mystery Spot is surrounded by .....and .....
- 4. It is in the midst of .....
- 5. It is located in the .....
- 6. It covers an area of .....diameter
- 7. The spot defies the laws of .....
- 8. The visitors will find themselves in ...... environment.
- 9. Balls rolling uphill and people leaning farther are the proofs of ......

- 10. Some of the speculations that centre around the Mystery Spot are
  - i. .....buried within the ground.
  - ii. Cones of metal buried to ...... spacecrafts.
  - iii. ..... permeating from the earth.
  - iv. A hole in the ......



### WELCOME SPEECH



### **Essential elements**

- Specifically acknowledge and welcome important guests
- Details of event
- Brief introduction of the Chief Guest
- Details of the occasion

### SAMPLE WELCOME SPEECH

Occasion – Inaugural Ceremony of a new school

Good morning Mr. Bharat, Chairman of Pencil India & Co., Board members, guests, parents and the well wishers of the school. Our Chief Guest, Mr. Bharat, is an eminent entrepreneur who takes keen interest in the welfare of the students as they are the future citizens of a bright India. Sir, has to his credit, many awards in the field of business. He heads the Pencil India company. We take pride in welcoming our Chief Guest.

I take this opportunity to welcome you all.

The opening day of our new school is certainly a moment that we should all savour and enjoy. It all started as a dream to start a world class educational institution that would mould and guide future generations of enlightened minds.

Today is the day, which marks the occasion – the inauguration of our school.

You are welcome to go around the campus and visit the various departments.

Thank you all for having graced the inauguration of our new school.

#### Task:

You are the Cultural Secretary of your school. Write a welcome speech to be delivered at the Annual Day or Independence Day Celebrations.

#### **VOTE OF THANKS**

A vote of thanks speech is a 'thank you', given on behalf of the organisation, to a group of people. It can also be given to the individuals who are responsible for the technical arrangements, catering, event managers etc.

A 'thank you' speech should be short and crisp. While drafting the speech, make sure to keep the language simple and to the point.

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#### Sample 1

Good morning everyone!

I deem it a great honour and privilege to propose the vote of thanks on this memorable occasion.

Let me first thank the Almighty for the resounding success of today's function.

First and foremost, I thank our special guest, Mr. Anand Mohan, the President of Tara Industries, who, despite his busy schedule, has found time to grace this occasion, and I also express my heartfelt thanks to Mrs.Anand Mohan for her presence and for distributing the prizes.

We are grateful to our respected Correspondent for his words of encouragement. His able guidance has always encouraged us. I thank him for his presence and continued support.

I thank our revered Management members, our Principal, Vice Principal for their unstinted support.

My heartfelt thanks to the Heads of various departments and the faculty for their valuable contribution and guidance.

I owe my special thanks to the special invitees and parents who are present here for having accepted our invitation.

I thank the members of the media for covering the event and all the other good hearts, who worked behind the screen.

My special thanks are also due to the supporting staff, who have worked hard to ensure that this occasion becomes Communicative English Page 126 a memorable one. Last but not the least I thank all the students in making this function a grand success.

Once again I thank you all for your valuable presence.

Thank You.

#### Sample 2

Sample Vote of thanks for Conferences and Seminars

Good Evening all,

I feel honoured and privileged to propose a vote of thanks on this special day.

Today we have hosted the biggest education conference in our city. 200 delegates and 500 participating colleges have made this event a grand success.

On behalf of the hosting council I convey my regards and hearty thanks to our Chief Guest, Union Education Minister Mr. XYZ for his valuable presence. I wholeheartedly thank all the delegates for their encouraging participation.

I especially thank all the great speakers for their exemplary presentation.

I thank the organizing team, teachers, volunteers, non teaching staff for their untiring efforts.

I thank our digital partners and media for their coverage.

I once again thank our respected Chief Guest, delegates, audience and others for making this conference a grand success. Thank you.

Writing	<b>E-MAIL</b>	
Dear Sir/ Madam		
Salutations	Requesting action	Making arrangements
Dear Sir or Madam Hello Dear Mr., Mrs., Ms	Can you send To me by Friday, please? I needby Thursday	I'm writing to arrange a meeting. How about /what about Tuesday?
	•	Confirming arrangements
Opening sentence		I'd like to confirm
1 m (Just) wrning to/ Just a quick note to connrm/ inform you/ follow up on/ thank you/request		Just writing to confirm Please send me an e-mail by 5 pm.
Attaching files		Changing arrangements
Please find attached	MIIIII	I'm afraid I can't make
I'm sending you theas an attachment.	an	How aboutinstead?
I m arraid you forgot to attach the file. I'm afraid I can't open the file/document.	Fmail	Giving news
Can/could you send it again in format, please?		We are pleased to inform you
Making an enquiry		Complaining
Could/can you please send me		I'm writing to complain about
Please send me We would be grateful if you could		I was disappointed to find
I'd appreciate a reply asap.		Apologising
	-•	We apologize for any inconvenience caused.
Replying	Informing	Please accept our apologies.
Thank you for your e-mail	Id like to inform you of	Close
In reply to your e-mail, here are Id follow up the points mentioned in your	Just to update you on	Yours sincerely
email	Let me know if you need anything else	regards Best wishes

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In this era of social media and texting conversation, e-mail is still the most popular means of communication in business and corporate world. It uses technology to convey a digital message over the Internet. It is a sort of a letter sent electronically from one computer user to one or more recipients via a network. There are many software platforms available to send and receive emails. Popular e-mail platforms include g-mail, hotmail, yahoo etc.

Your e-mail writing skill can be improved by following simple rules that are listed below:

- ✤ use suitable greeting
- introduce yourself
- divide the content into three parts Opening Main Closing
- ✤ Use formal language

#### Email etiquette

The use of formal language while writing an e-mail is known as E-mail Etiquette. It refers to the principles of behaviour that one should use when writing and the code of conduct for e-mail communications. E-mail etiquette depends upon the person one writes to - friends, relatives, partners, customers, superiors and subordinates.

Formal	Informal
<ul> <li>Dear Sir / Madam,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dear (first name), Hi</li> </ul>
Dear Mr / Mrs (surname)	✤ Hello
Beginnings	Beginnings
<ul> <li>With reference to our telephone conversation yesterday</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>It was nice to hear from you</li> <li>It's been ages since I've heard from you</li> </ul>
Thank you for your email regarding	How are you ? Hope you and your family
<ul><li>I am writing on behalf of</li></ul>	are doing well
	<ul><li>I am writing to draw your attention to</li></ul>
	I am writing to let you know

#### Formal and Informal expressions used when writing an e-mail

Making a request	Making a request
I would appreciate if you could	You don't mind ing (form) , do you?
I would be most grateful if you would	Do me a favour, will you?
Would you be so kind to	Would it be possible for you to ?
I was wondering if you could	Can / could I ask you to?
Apologising	Apologising
✤ We apologize for any inconvenience	<ul> <li>Sorry for any trouble caused</li> </ul>
caused	<ul><li>We are very sorry</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Please accept our sincere apologies</li> </ul>	
Complaining	Complaining
<ul> <li>I am writing to express my dissatisfaction</li> </ul>	<ul><li>I am fed up with (someone / something)</li></ul>
with	<ul><li>I am not happy with</li></ul>
I find it most unsatisfactory that	<ul><li>I'm rather annoyed with</li></ul>
<ul> <li>I'd like to complain about</li> </ul>	
Endings	Endings
<ul> <li>I look forward to hearing from you</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Give my love to</li></ul>
<ul><li>If you require any further information,</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>If you require any further information, please don't hesitate to contact me</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Hope to hear from you soon</li><li>Just give me a call if you have any</li></ul>
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<ul> <li>If you require any further information, please don't hesitate to contact me</li> <li>Please feel free to contact me if you have further questions</li> <li>Signing off</li> <li>Yours sincerely (name)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hope to hear from you soon</li> <li>Just give me a call if you have any questions</li> <li>Signing off</li> <li>Lots of love</li> </ul>

1. You are an NRI who is eager to visit your place of birth with your family. You come across an advertisement by a tourist agency organising tours in Tamil Nadu. You wish to gather the following information by writing an e-mail to the agency.

Destination – organisers – duration – boarding and lodging – sight seeing and adventure activities – recreation programmes – travel guides – total trip cost inclusive of all taxes – discount if any – mode of payment

2. Imagine you emerged as a topper in the Civil Services Examination. You have fond memories of your school, teachers without whom you would not have realised the dream of becoming an I.A.S. officer. Convey your gratitude to

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Mrs Malathy, your English teacher, through an e-mail, thanking her for all the support and guidance in shaping your future.

**INFORMAL LETTER** 

# Writing to a friend

### Opening

Hi Vijay, / Hello Mani, / Hey Prashanth,

It's been ages since we last spoke / Sorry for not being in touch for so long. How are you? / How's life treating you? / How's life? How are things? Any news? / Anything strange? / What are you up to these days?

#### **Expressing Thanks**

Thanks a million for / Thanks a lot for / Cheers for / I really appreciate it

#### **Giving News**

Guess what..... I've / I've got some good news / Great news Vijay, I've unfortunately, I've got bad news / I'm afraid I have some bad news / Bad news Vijay....

#### **Responding To News**

I'm so happy for you / That's fantastic news / I was delighted to hear that..... / I'm glad to hear that you..... / I'm thrilled for you / What great news! / Congrats! Sorry to hear that / That's awful news / Poor you / Is there anything I can do?

#### Offering, Accepting And Declining An Invitation

I'd love you to come to..... / Have you any plans for.....? / 1<sup>st</sup> July, save the date! Do you fancy.....? / Fancy coming to? / Would you like to? I'd love to / Count me in / I'll be there / I wouldn't miss it for the world I'm afraid I can't / Count me out / I wish I could but..... / I'll take a rain check

#### **Offering Advice And Making Suggestions**

If I were you, I'd..... / If I were in your shoes, I'd..... / You should..... / You simply have to..... Why don't you.....? / Have you thought about? / What about.....? / How about.....? I'd recommend that you..... / I'd suggest that you..... / The best thing to do is.....

#### Closing

Well, that's all for now / I'd better get back to work here / I must go / I must..... Do write soon / Hope to hear from you soon / Can't wait to..... / Looking forward to ..... Pass on my regards to your family / Give my love to..... / Tell Anna I was asking about her..... Take care / All the best / All my love / Lots of love / Love

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1. You are one of the volunteers (divers) of the team that rescued the trapped boys in ThamLuang cave. You feel elated on receiving the following letter of appreciation from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangkok.

	Key .
No. 1403/1492	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sri Ayudhya Road, Bangkok 10400.
	4 July B.E. 2561 (2018)
Excellency,	
the Government of the Re homeland and diaspora, fo their football coach who h Province since 23 June 200 India in Bangkok for the c	honour to express my sincere appreciation to tepublic of India and the Indian people, both in their or the well-wishing for the safety of the twelve boys and had been missing in Tham Luang Cave in Chiang Rai 18. I also wish to convey my thanks to the Embassy of concern upon the matter as well as the offer of technical ment through the subsidiary of M/s Kirloskar Brothers
that eventually, on the nit those 12 boys and their co and happiness. This reso	ction, I am very pleased to inform Your Excellency ght of 2 July 2018, the rescue team was able to find oach alive and well, which brought the nation to joy cue mission would not have been possible without I communities, Thai and international alike.
reflected, indeed, the close countries and peoples. the entire nation, in pa I wish to express my heat	ty offered by India's public and private sectors se and cordial ties and friendship between our two On behalf of the Royal Thai Government and articular those missing thirteen and their families, rtfelt gratitude to Your Excellency and the people of the kind offer to contribute to the efforts to rescue
Accept, Exce consideration.	ellency, the renewed assurances of my highest
	(Don Pramudwinai) Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand
er Excellency Mrs. Sushma Swaraj, Minister of External NEW DELE	

Now write a letter to your friend recalling the ordeal you faced in navigating the boys through the dark in the murky water.



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Refer to the text under Reading section and write your letter in not more than 150 words.

## LETTER OF ENQUIRY (Business Letter)

Your school has planned for a one week trekking trip of Kurangini Hills near Madurai. Write a letter to the manager of a travel agency in Madurai asking for details about their package. Mention the proposed dates for the trip and the number of students participating in it. (word limit- 100 words)

#### **ARTICLE WRITING**

Adventure sports are popular outdoor activities among the youngsters all over the world. No doubt such sports are both exciting and challenging but a minute of reckless excitement can lead to a lifelong disability or even turn fatal. Write an article for your school magazine highlighting the charm of adventure sports in about 150 words.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF AN EVENT**

Descriptive writing is a piece of writing

- written to describe an event, place, person or an object
- uses the five senses see, hear, smell, touch, taste
- helps readers to imagine where you are and what you are sharing
- includes the reader to be a part of the text
- includes descriptive words and details

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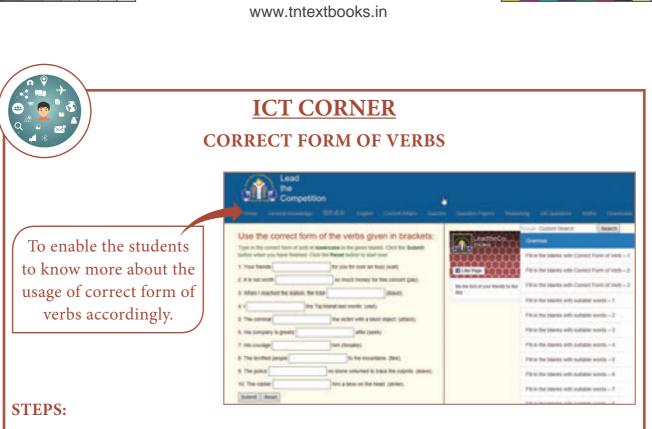
#### Task

Anything we can't understand or explain holds a magical fascination for us. Imagine you went to your native place for your vacation. Every night you heard some mysterious voices at a particular time and grew restless. Write a description of that event that baffled you in about 100 words. Remember to include how you investigated it and solved the mystery.

#### **Extensive Reading**

Treasure Island	-	R.L. Stevenson
Origin	-	Dan Brown
Sherlock Holmes	_	Sir Arthur Conan
Series		Doyle
Harry Potter	-	J.K.Rowling
Series		
Star Wars:	-	Timothy Zahn
Thrawn Trilogy		

Kubla Khan	-	S.T. Coleridge
Listeners	-	Walter de la Mare
Kraken	-	Tennyson
The Raven	-	Edgar Allan Poe
Jabberwocky	-	Lewis Carroll



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# 1. Type the URL link given below in the browser or scan the QR code to access the website.

- 2. You can see the link of Exercises on Using the correct form of verbs given in the brackets.
- 3. After answering all questions Click SUBMIT button.
- 4. Click Answers to the above to reveal the answers and compare your answers with it.
- 5. Do the same with other two set of questions to strengthen your knowledge.

Use the correct form of the verbs given in brackets: Type in the correct form of verb in lewercase in the given blanks. Click the Submit button when you have finished. Click the Reset button to start over.	Answers to the above Click to see	
	<ul> <li>Construction of the station of the train has been stated for you for over an hour.</li> <li>It is not worth paying so much money for this concert.</li> <li>When I reached the station, the train had left.</li> <li>I visited the Taj Mahai tast month.</li> <li>The criminal attacked the victim with a blont object.</li> <li>His company is greatly sought after.</li> <li>His courage forsook him (forsake).</li> <li>The tentiled people field to the mountains.</li> <li>The police left no stone unturned to trace the culprits.</li> <li>The robber struck him a blow on the head.</li> </ul>	
10. The robber him a blow on the head. (strike).  Submit    Reset	Previous	Next

# **WEBSITE LINK:**

Click the following link or scan the QR code to access the website. http://www.leadthecompetition.in/english/grammar/fill-in-the-blanks -with-suitable-verb-forms-1.html

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# Listening Passages

# Unit 1

### **Sympathy**



I lay in sorrow deep depressed... My grief a proud man heard...

His looks were cold. He gave me gold. But not a kindly word. My sorrow passed – I paid him back The gold he gave me. Then stood erect and spoke my thanks And blessed his charity... I lay in want, in grief and pain. A poor man passed my way. He bound my head. He gave me bread. He watched me night and day. How shall I pay him back again For all he did to me? Oh! Gold is great. But greater far is heavenly sympathy!

By Charles Mackay

# Unit 2

# Commentary on Republic Day Celebrations and parade at New Delhi

Good morning Ladies and Gentlemen. On this splendid morning on behalf of the entire team of Radio India, this is Anitha Rao along with my fellow commentators Yusuf Ahmed, Manoj Pande and our Technical Audio team extending warm greetings to all the listeners on the occasion of the 69th Republic Day of India and welcome you to Rajpath New Delhi, which literally means Kingsway, the ceremonial path and Communicative English Page 134

one of the most important roads of India that runs through the heart of New Delhi and where the Republic Day parade takes place every year on the 26th of January.

We are placed right next to the flower bedecked saluting dais from where our Honourable President along with our Vice President, Prime Minister and all the other dignitaries will view the parade which showcases India's defence capability and its cultural and social heritage. The day is memorable on account of the presence of the 10 ASEAN leaders who will be amidst us today as chief guests to honour the day when the Constitution of India came into force. My fellow commentator Yusuf is here, to share with you the proceedings of the day...

Yusuf—Good Morning and heartiest greetings to my fellow citizens on the joyous occasion of the 69th Republic Day of our Nation. As you all know, ASEAN is Association of South East Asian Nations comprising of 10 Nations - Thailand, Myanmar, Vietnam, Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia, Cambodia, The Philippines, Laos People's Democratic Republic and Brunei. The whole area opposite the dais is bedecked with colourful fresh flowers and certainly the three prominent colours of yellow, saffron, white and green are given more prominence depicting the colours of our National Flag. I can see the Red Roses, Yellow Marigold, the Bird of Paradise, the Pansies and other foliage giving the green colour to it. Over to Manoj....

Manoj – Thank you Yusuf. What a beautiful sight! And in a short while from now, the combined military band will be playing the National Anthem. There are 44 musicians drawn from 3 EME centres and ASE centres from South. They will be playing the National Anthem, the Cavalry brigade and the army star 'Arjunam'.

The three chiefs of the Army, Navy and Air Force, the Central and State Defence Ministers have arrived. They are all stationed in the inner periphery of India Gate, flanking the 'Amar Jawan Jyothi'. It's a resplendent sight. The Amar Jawan Jyothi commemorates the indomitable courage of our soldiers and it is symbolised by a reversed rifle topped by a helmet.

The Prime Minister is now laying the wreath on behalf of the country at the Amar Jawan Jyothi. The Inter services guard of honour gives the command to present the arms 'The Salami Shastra', followed by the reversal of the arms, "The Shok Shastra". Six buglers stationed there sounded the last post and a two minute silence is being observed. The completion of the silence is marked by sounding the rouse by the buglers. The Prime Minister is leaving the India Gate and now over to Anitha for an eye witness account of the grand parade.

Anitha – It's a lovely day today. The Prime Minister has arrived at the dais and is greeting the guests of honour on the stage. We now see the Honourable President of our country arriving ceremoniously led by the President's body guard. The President's body guard personnel are all handpicked, well trained horsemen, paratroopers and tank men. The Honourable President is led to hoist the National Flag.

The President is now giving the highest Gallantry Awards and Medals to the kin of martyrs. Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padmashree are given to eminent personalities from various fields such as literature, education, art, sports, social work, medicine, science, engineering, civil services, public affairs, trade and industry. Bravery awards to children are given for exhibiting courage and valour. Yusuf will now take over from here...

Yusuf – The customary grand parade has started and is moving ceremoniously, in colourful attires. The different tableaus are showcasing the country's progress in different fields. And here comes the newly formed all Women Bikes Contingent, the 27 member BSF Women 'Dare Devils' Squad named 'Seema Bhavani' showcasing their stunts and acrobatics on their 350 cc Royal Enfield Bullet Motorcycles.

After the mesmerising performance of the BSF women, here are the children from various schools in Delhi and 700 students across the guest countries performing on the power of Education. Manoj, isn't it a splendid sight?

Manoj – A real feast to the eyes! A few of the parade's highlights are the BSF camel band, the musical band of the Army, Navy, Air Force and the DRDO Subsonic cruise missile Tableau.

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The Rudra formation, The Hercules formation, Nethra Global formation and several other formations by Air force mark the culmination of the Republic Day Parade, ending with a stupendous fly past by the Jets and helicopters carrying the National Flag and the flags of the three services.

It's been a day of joy and celebration. Once again with greetings to the Nation on this Republic Day, Anitha, Yusuf and Manoj take leave and sign off. JAI HIND.

# Unit 3

General Packet Radio Services known as GPRS has been around for quite some time. It was established in the early 2000s and is widely used across the world today. It is an extension of the global system for mobile communication.

GPRS works by allowing data to be stored into 'packets'. This data is then transmitted in an efficient manner across the mobile network. GPRS, however, is much faster than the cellular network system. This type of networking system can be used worldwide without difficulty.

GPRS devices are extremely versatile. Any device that has GPRS capability will allow the user to have not only mobile communication but also access the internet for things such as e-mail and internet browsing. You can even adjust various settings on the device in order to keep track of things like changes in temperature, sound and motion.

Car tracking devices are cheaper and easier to install. They mainly work via

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GPS satellite navigator, although in some cases a radio frequency or cellular network can be used, if GPS coverage is poor. The actual set up is really very simple; each vehicle transmits a signal to orbiting satellites which relay this information back to a specified computer. The vehicle information is then displayed on maps, allowing you to monitor speed and exact whereabouts.

By utilising real-time vehicle tracking you can get accurate information about the travel. Although this system enables you to avoid traffic and find the quickest road to travel, you will still find an excuse to be late!

# Unit 4

**Valli :** Hello, Surya. Did you read today's newspaper?

**Surya** : No, is there anything important, that you want me to read?

**Valli :** Yes, Surya. There's an article on creating sarees with natural fruits, bamboo and aloe vera fibre.

**Surya :** Oh! That's great! How is that possible? Can you give me more information?

**Valli :** I'll read out the article; "Natural Fibre Weaving". "The rhythm of the loom" welcomes visitors to Shanmuga Mudhaliar Street nearly 9km from Chennai Airport. There are 90 weavers in the cluster. The cluster consisting mostly of third generation weavers was formed nearly 90 years ago, along the banks of the Adyar River.

"In those days this cluster was producing real Madras chequered fabrics for export to Nigeria," says Sekar, the President of the Jute Weavers Association.

After 1970, this cluster began weaving cotton fabric and sarees. Kanchi Cotton dress material sets were woven in the 80's and silk cotton during the 90's. Over the past 10 years, the cluster has completely shifted to natural fibre weaving.

"As a weaver, I was always looking for a breakthrough, something that would make handloom popular, thereby saving it from extinction," says Sekar, adding " The South India Textile Research Association involved us in weaving jute and cotton blended yarn. This set me thinking of developing natural fibre yarn from other sources as well." At that time, a group of students approached him with banana fibre and cotton blended yarn for their project and this added a fillip to his research.

"I developed 25 types of natural fibres and even made it to the Limca Book of Records in 2011 for weaving a saree using 25 different fibres," he says.

Today the Anakaputhur Natural Fibre Weavers Cluster has 25 pit looms and are pioneers in many methods of natural fibre weaving. Collaborating with NIFT students in design intervention and colour combination has enhanced the reach of the products.

Sekar has introduced "MooligaiPudavai" (herbal Sarees) where he infuses natural fibre yarn with turmeric, tulsi, neem and sandalwood. He says, these herbs and spices have anti-bacterial properties and are good for the skin. The weavers have developed 30 different natural fibre yarns so far, of which the most popular are pineapple, aloe vera, bamboo, banana stem and erukkanchedi (Calotropis). Eager to adopt some of these practices, the North East Development council has invited Sekar to train the women weavers of Assam.

"We have finally proved that handloom can be a profitable business," he smiles. This venture has generated more jobs, says Sekar.

# Unit 5

#### Water Shortage

**Instructor:** 14 of the World's 20 big cities are now experiencing water scarcity or drought conditions. As many as 4 million people already live in regions that experience severe water stress. According to a study in the journal 'Science Advances', nearly half of these people live in our country and with the rising population, this stress is going to mount.

**Moderator:** I'm happy to introduce two eminent speakers Mr. Ramesh, retired Chairman of Water Management Board and Mr.Joseph, founder of 'The Drop', an NGO. I now request Mr. Ramesh to throw some light on the topic and lead the discussion.

**Mr.Ramesh** : Humanity is facing water crisis. Either there is too much water in some places or there isn't enough water in other places and we all know that this is being driven not only by climate changes

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but also by economic growth, population and poor water management.

**Moderator:** As mentioned by Mr.Ramesh, water management seems to be the crucial point when we talk about water crisis. I now request Mr. Joseph to make a few suggestions.

**Mr.Joseph**: Well, to tackle water crisis, a good water management strategy has to be adopted at all levels of planning, developing and distributing water for maximum usage. Say for example, in the field of agriculture, water intensive crops like rice and cotton should be grown in water rich regions and crops which need less water grown in other regions where there is less supply of water.

**Moderator:** Yes, Mr. Ramesh, what have you got to say about this?

**Mr.Ramesh:** To minimize water crisis, the main option is to share water, not only in the trans-boundary river basins but also in the river basins within nations and states.

**Mr.Joseph:** I would like to put forth the causes for this water scarcity. Shortfall of rain is the most important issue, that stems from deforestation. The absence of bunds and encroachments at the catchment areas also aggravate the water shortage issue.

**Mr.Ramesh:** But the good news is that there are always solutions to our problems. Our motto should be "The less water used, the more water saved." This will go a long way, towards addressing the current crisis. But for the solutions to be effective they need to be implemented vigilantly.

**Moderator :** Having discussed the status, causes and problems, let us also consider some practical solutions such as

- do not keep taps running
- only use what is needed resourcefully
- practise sustainable home living
- recycle used water
- create awareness of the dire consequences of water resource abuse
- get more involvement from people

By now we are aware how critical our global water shortage is.

Now the panellists are open for questions from the audience.

# Unit 6

#### Text for listening text

Hi everyone! Welcome to our guided tour to a wonderful hiking trail, high up a forested hillside to the Mystery Spot. Gravity and other forces go haywire at this pseudo - scientific anomaly, discovered in 1940. The site is located in Santa Cruz, California amongst the Oak and Eucalyptus trees, near Granite Creek, and within the California Redwood forest. It is a circular area of effect around 150 feet or 46 metres in diameter. Within the Mystery Spot you will be stunned as your perceptions of the laws of physics and gravity are questioned. On this gravity hill you will experience, tilt-induced visual illusion. The illusion experienced by visitors results from the oddly tilted environment as well as standing on a tilted floor. These visual illusions include balls rolling uphill and people leaning farther than normally possible without falling down.

The mystery spot was discovered in 1939 by a group of surveyors and was opened to the public in 1940. The Mystery Spot has amazed and perplexed hundreds and thousands of visitors from all over the world.

Some speculate that cones of metal were secretly brought here by aliens and buried in the earth as guidance systems of their spacecraft. Some think it is in fact, the spacecraft itself buried deep within the ground. Other theories include carbon dioxide permeating from the earth, a hole in the ozone layer, a magma vortex and the highest dielectric bio cosmic radiation. Whatever the cause is, it remains a mystery.

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# Language Play

1. Let's be clear

Meaning			Sentence
1. farther, further			
farther	to a greater distance	-	He went farther down the road.
further	more or extra	-	Have you anything further to add?
2. later, latter			
later	at a time in the future or after the time you have mentioned	-	He will visit there in the later half of the season.
latter	concluding, second mentioned of two people or things	-	He chose the latter of the two options.
3. all ready, already	Y		
all ready (phrase)	completely prepared	-	We are all ready to leave.
already	previously	-	When we came in, we found that he had already arrived.
4. everyday, every o	lay		
everyday (adjective)	commonplace	-	Don't wear an everyday outfit for the wedding.
every day	each day	-	I go to the park every day.
5. poisonous, veno	mous		
poisonous	anything that poisons you when you eat it	-	Don't eat those poisonous berries.
venomous	anything that will poison you if it bites you	-	Be careful, that's a venomous snake.
6. imply, infer			
imply	suggest something	-	Democracy implies free elections.
infer	to figure something out that isn't stated outright	-	What do you infer from her refusal?

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7. award, reward					
award	prize	-	Ravi certainly deserves the award.		
reward	something given in return for effort, achievement, hard work, merit etc.	-	Let's reward all the participants.		
8. compliment, con	nplement				
compliment	to say something nice	-	We should compliment you on your performance .		
complement	added to, required to	-	The green wall paper is the perfect complement to the antique table.		
12. bemused, amus	ed				
bemused	confused	-	She was bemused by the questions asked.		
amused	entertained	-	The teacher read the article with an amused expression.		
13. continuous, continual					
continuous	never ending	-	Focus on continuous improvement.		
continual	to stop and start	-	The continual disputes between my neighbours disturbs me a lot.		
14. discreet, discre	te				
discreet	careful, cautious, showing good judgment	-	Rich people try to be discreet with their money because they do not want everyone to know they are rich.		
discrete	individual, separate or distinct	-	A room is a discrete place within a house.		
15. alternate, altern	native				
alternate	occur in turns	-	She was asked to attend the workshop on alternate days.		
alternative	available as another choice	-	Is there no alternative to your method?		

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16. sympathy, emp	athy		
sympathy	feelings of pity or sorrow for someone else's misfortune	-	Let us show some sympathy for the flood victims.
empathy	ability to understand and share the feelings of another	-	The boss felt no empathy for those who failed to submit their project on time.
17. waiver, waver			
waiver	an act or instance of giving up a claim or right	-	We had to sign a waiver, giving up all rights to the land.
waver	move in a quivering way, flicker	-	The flame wavered in the gentle breeze.
18. historic, histori	ical		
historic	having importance in history	-	She returned safely from her historic flight into space.
historical	concerning history or past events	-	She writes historical novels set in 18th century England.
19. aisle, isle			
aisle	a passage between rows of seats		Do not block the aisle with your shopping cart.
isle	an island		Sri Lanka is an island.
20. breach, breech			
breach	to break through, to break a rule, a gap	-	The huge waves made a breach in the wall of the old castle.
breech	the back part of a gun barrel	-	He checked to see if the breech had bullets in it.

# 2. Choose the correct options:

- 1. Which word means 'absence of government?
  - ✤ autocracy
  - ✤ aristocracy
  - ✤ autonomy
  - ✤ anarchy
- 2. When something is hilarious it is \_\_\_\_\_
  - ✤ scary
  - ✤ funny
  - sad 🛠
  - ✤ boring

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3. If your friend always thinks the best will happen she is \_\_\_\_\_

- ✤ humorous
- ✤ optimistic
- ✤ creative
- frank

## 4. A solemn promise or undertaking

- ✤ promise
- ✤ vote
- ✤ pledge
- ✤ agreement

#### 5. Students screaming in a hall will create a \_\_\_\_\_

- ✤ argument
- drama
- ✤ illusion
- ✤ pandemonium

6. I would leave earlier, so that I can avoid the \_\_\_\_\_

- peak hour
- ✤ traffic time
- ✤ rush hour
- ✤ peak time

#### 3. Match the root words with their meaning

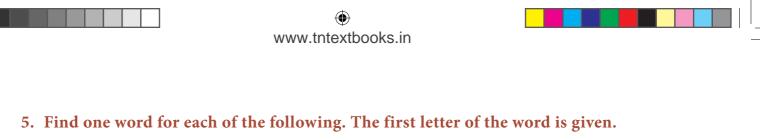
1. ocul	-	city	4. pseudo	-	light
aud	-	eye	psycho	-	false
urb	-	hear	photo	-	soul: spirit
2. auto	-	life	5. therm	-	measure
bio	-	water	meter	-	beneath
hydr	-	self	hypo	-	heat
3. mono	-	sound	6. inter	-	against
phon	-	far off	trans	-	between
tele	-	one	anti	-	across

#### 4. Give one word for the following (the number of letters are mentioned)

1. To fall down because of illness or weakness-(8)2. To hurt or cause physical harm-(6)3. To have an uncomfortable feeling on the skin-(4)

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1. slightly salty	- b	
2. a hot, smoldering fragment of wood left from a fire	- e	
3. about to occur	- i	
4. technical terminology	- j	
5. a small rounded hill	- k	
6. bright or radiant		
7. a large number		
8. gather or bring together	- m	
9. pure, free from contamination	- p	
10. one who lives in solitude	- r	
11. capable of being wounded or hurt	- V	

# 6. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate word or phrase from those given in brackets.

- 1. They went for a walk in the \_\_\_\_\_, clean November air. [clear, crisp, cheerful]
- 2. He \_\_\_\_\_ her that she would pass. [ensured, insured, assured]
- 3. After the sports day, the competitors felt completely \_\_\_\_\_. [done out, run out, done in]
- 4. We owe a deep debt of \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the freedom fighters. [patriotism, remembrance, gratitude]
- 5. His shabby clothes and uncombed hair gave him a \_\_\_\_\_ appearance. [disreputable, disrespect, discontented]
- 6. One word for 'a following of one thing after aother' is \_\_\_\_\_. [sequence, consequence, similar]
- 7. An agreement to protect another country is an \_\_\_\_\_. [treaty, assurance, alliance]
- 8. \_\_\_\_\_ is a speech by an actor speaking to himself. [comic relief, monologue, soliloquy]
- 9. A maze is also known as a \_\_\_\_\_. [paradox, legacy, labyrinth]
- 10. Although Veera was very critical, his family hoped that he would \_\_\_\_\_. [pull out, pull off, pull through]

## 7. Rearrange the following to make meaningful sentences.

- a. 1. village / thatched / with / Karma / house / lived / his / in / parents / a / house / in / small.
  - 2. village / to /outside / his / went / school / he / a
  - 3. meals / had / midday / and / enjoyed / studying / he / there
  - 4. field / their / his / needed / help / parents / in / his
  - 5. sending / so / him / school / they / stopped / to

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- b. 1. here / out / there / flames / broke / and
  - 2. board / now / was / every / fire / knew / one / on / there / a
  - 3. Smoldering / gale / the / fire / fanned / rising / the
  - 4. to / told / quit / were /ship / be / the / ready / passengers / to /
- c. 1. conveying / means / the / first / information / speech / of / was
  - 2. writing / thus / was / of / as / storing / introduced / a / information / means
  - 3. permanent / in / knowledge / printing / spreading / then / helped / in / form / a
  - 4. are / media / however / all / passive / these
  - 5. revolution / hailed / as / computer / therefore / is / a

# 8. Find words related to the given topic in each group of words and write them in the box.

## a. Media

s	oand scene poster	thoughts culture review	cast show association	edition audience interval	exhibition circulation channel	
b. (	Civic Sense					
а	ethics attention value	zeal adjutant heritage	integrity oilment mankind	definition birthday national	symbol pride unite	
<b>c.</b> <i>A</i>	Adventure					
i f	rash ntelligent Tantasy unnerved	daredevil alternative gallant confectionary	melodious risk odyssey pessimist	hazardous chances venture heroic		
<b>d</b> . N	Mystery					
c s	forensics livision spelling alibi	baffling destruction dark specific	clue memory vague weird	horrific attractive secretive		
e	Art					
e	power elimination nasterpiece	expertise demonstration pastoral	involvement union exhibits	portrait complaint imagery		

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# f. Literature

genre	epic	additional	(
renovation	epistle	folklore	
regeneration	classical	exclusive	
blank verse	activist	allergy	

# 9. Complete following proverbs.

- 1. One swallow\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. Don't put off until tomorrow\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ begins with a single step.
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ many irons \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. The grass is always \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_ is another mains poison.
- 7. A friend's frown \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8. \_\_\_\_\_ by the company \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9. Hope \_\_\_\_\_\_ and prepare \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 10. \_\_\_\_\_ today is worth two \_\_\_\_\_.

# 10. Different types of expressions in English

There are many different types of expressions in English but here are the main ones:

- Idioms
- Phrasal Verbs
- Cliché
- Jargon
- Proverbs

## a. Idioms

1) An established group of words, the meaning of which is not clear or understandable from the individual words

	Idioms		Meanings
1.	Hang in there	-	don't give up
2.	Hit the sack	-	go to sleep
3.	Miss the boat	-	it's too late
4.	Under the weather	-	sick

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5.	Comparing apples to	-	comparing two things that
	oranges		cannot be compared
6.	Ignorance is bliss	-	you are better off not
			knowing
7.	Spill the beans	-	give away a secret
8.	The ball is in your court	-	it's your decision
9.	Throw caution to wind	-	take a risk
10.	Take a rain check	-	postpone a plan

# 2) Let's add colour to the English language by learning and using a few idioms associated with colours.

- Green with envy to be very jealous envious
   Ex: Saif was green with envy when he saw my new car.
- Take the red eye a late night flight that arrives early in the morning
   Ex: Harish took the red eye from California to New York last night and now he is exhausted.
- 3. Tickled pink to be extremely pleasedEx: My aunt was tickled pink that you called on her birthday.
- 4. Black as a skillet used to describe something that is very dirty, black with dirt Ex: You clothes are as black as a skillet after cleaning the car.
- 5. Blue collar used to describe men used as labourers or factory workers
  Ex: The company got rid of a lot of the blue-collar workers during the recession.
- 6. Browned off to be bored or annoyed with someone or somethingEx: Children are always browned off when their neighbour comes to visit.
- 7. White wash something to cover up our faith or wrongdoings
   Ex: The organization was accused of trying to white wash the scandal over charity pay outs.
- 8. A yellow streak someone who has cowardice in their character
  Ex: My neighbour has a yellow streak and he will not help me, if I have problem.
- 9. Grey matter brains, intelligence
  Ex: I wish my brother would use his grey matter more effectively when he is planning something.
- 10. In black and white in writing, officiallyEx: Put down your complaint in black and white.

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11. Black and blue – bruisedEx: My shoulder was black and blue after I fell down.

## 3) Idioms associated with insects, animals

- Open a can of worms create a whole new set of problems
   Ex: That discussion of yours will open a can of worms.
- 2. The world is your oyster you have many good opportunities in front of you
   Ex: Mohan has graduated from a wonderful university, so the world is his oyster!
- 3. Watching like a hawk watching something very closely **Ex:** The hostel warden watches the students like a hawk.
- 4. Mad as a hornet very angry or furiousEx: My sister was as mad as a hornet, when we broke the expensive vase.
- Get your ducks in a row organise things
   Ex: The domain expert will review the project to make sure that all the ducks are in a row.
- 6. Hold your horses slow down, stopEx: Hold your horses ! There's no need to rush.
- 7. Let sleeping dogs lie leave it alone, leave something in peace
   Ex: Finally, they decided to let sleeping dogs lie and not discuss the matter any further.
- Chicken out -to decide not to do something out of fear
   Ex: Don't chicken out of the programme because you have to compere.
- 9. Make a bee line go straight for somethingEx: As soon as my friend got off the plane she made a bee line to the cafeteria.
- 10. Until the cows come home for a very long timeEx: Shailaja wouldn't mind listening to music till the cows come home
- 11. A lone wolf- someone who prefers to spend time alone and has few friendsEx: That boy is a lone wolf and spends most of his time alone.
- 12. Monkey around with (someone or something) to play with or waste time with someone or somethingEx: My maid's son spent the morning monkeying around with an old radio.
- 13. As meek as a lamb quiet, docile, meekEx: The new secretary is as meek as a lamb.
- 14. A dumb bunny a stupid or gullible personEx: Sam is a dumb bunny and everyone makes fun of him.
- 15. Have a whale of a time to have an exciting and interesting timeEx: We had a whale of a time at the party.

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# b. Phrasal Verbs

	Phrasal Verb	-	Meaning
1.	run into	-	meet
2.	look up to	-	respect
3.	think back on	-	recall
4.	drop by	-	visit without appointment
5.	chip in	-	help
6.	run out	-	have none left
7.	get back at	-	to get revenge on someone
8.	black out	-	to faint
9.	back down	-	to withdraw
10.	clam up	-	to refuse to speak

A phrasal verb is always constructed with a verb and an adverb or preposition

# c. Clichés

It's a word or phrase that has become so popular that it is considered 'overused'

	Clichés		Meaning
1.	Every cloud has a silver lining	-	every problem has a solution or something good in it
2.	Take the bull by the horns	-	to tackle a problem head on
3.	To live happily ever after	-	they lived happily
4.	Fit as a fiddle	-	in a good state of health
5.	Avoid like the plague	-	something that should be avoided at all costs

# d. Jargon

Words and phrases that are only used by a particular profession or group and are usually difficult for others to understand.

# 1. Examples of Medical Jargon

1. Agonal	-	Term to signify a major, negative change in a patient's condition
2. IM	-	Intramuscular
3. FX	-	bone fracture

## 2. Business Jargon

1. The 9 to 5	-	a standard work day
2. bang for the buck	-	to get the most for your money
3. chief cook and bottle washer	-	a person who holds many responsibilities
4. thought shower	-	to come up with several ideas
5. blue sky thinking	-	creative ideas free from practical constraints

# 3. Police Jargon

1. Code eight	-	officer needs help immediately
2. Code eleven		the individual is at the scene of
		crime
3. FTP	_	the failure of an individual to
		pay a fine
4. Assumed room temperature	-	an individual has died
5. 10 – 4		Radio jargon meaning okay or
	-	understand

# 4. Military Jargon

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1. SAM	-	surface-to-air missile
2. PCS	-	a permanent change of station
3. SQDN	-	a squadron

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# 5. Political Jargon

1. getting on a soap box	-	making a speech in public		
2. flip flopper	-	a candidate or politician who changes		
		his mind on certain important issues		
3. tree hugger	-	an environmentalist		
4. lame duck	-	a politician who is considered		
		ineffective		

# 6. Work Place

1. Get our ducks in a row	-	order and organize everything efficiently and effectively
2. The helicopter view	-	an overview of a job or a project
3. Boil the ocean	-	attempt to do something that is impossible
4. Pick the low hanging fruit	-	choose the simplest option or avenue to accomplish a task

# e. Proverbs

1. A proverb is a short saying that is repeated as a piece of advice or suggestion. It usually expresses the common truth.

	Proverbs	Meaning
1.	A drowning man will clutch at a straw.	A person in a difficult situation will take any available opportunity to improve it.
2.	Call a spade a spade.	To say the truth, even if it is not pleasant
3.	Cross the stream where it is the shallowest.	To do things in the easiest possible way
4.	Discretion is the better part of valour.	It is wise to be careful and not show unnecessary bravery.
5.	Fall seven times, stand up eight.	Be resilient and try despite failures. That's how you succeed.

# 2. Proverbs from all around the world

Proverbs are simple and factual sayings that expresses a truth based on common sense and experience. They are a part of every language as well as every culture. Proverbs play an important part of gaining cultural knowledge, metaphorical understanding and communicative competence.

Think of a proverb as a little tidbit of wisdom. There is a proverb for just about every circumstance. In simple words, proverbs are wise sayings which offer advice on how to live your life.

- 1. Shared joy is a double joy; shared sorrow is half a sorrow. Swedish proverb
- 2. It's letter to light a candle than cause the darkness. Chinese proverb
- 3. Change yourself and fortune will change. Portuguese Proverb
- 4. Don't sail out farther than you can row back. Danish proverb
- 5. Instruction in youth is like engraving on a stone. Moroccan proverb
- 6. Character is always corrupted by prosperity. Icelandic proverb
- 7. Turn your face to the sun and the shadows will fall behind you. New Zealander proverb
- 8. To be willing is only half the task. Armenian proverb
- 9. A beautiful thing is never perfect. Egyptian proverb
- 10. A man does not seek his luck; luck seeks its man. Turkish proverb

## 3. Proverbs in Indian Languages

- 1. Without the breeze blowing can the leaves tremble? Amanipuri Proverb
- 2. Knowledge is higher than power Hindi proverb
- 3. The worth of the shade is only known when the sun is beating down hot. Tamil proverb
- 4. For a satiated duck, fish becomes tasteless. Bhojpuri proverb
- 5. The right path is steep and upwards, the wrong path is easy and horizontal. Mizo proverb
- 6. There will always be a ditch in front of a person in a hurry Punjabi proverb

## 11. Colours and their significance

Colours have tremendous symbolic power across cultures and countries. Artists of all ages have worked with colour schemes to depict different feelings, seasons and ceremonies depending on one's culture and origin.

Colours can be broadly classified into three categories based on their properties.

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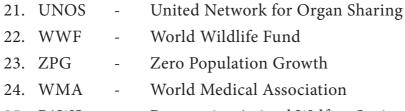
## Interestingly colours are used to portray different moods, emotions and expressions.

- Red excitement, energy, fusion, courage, attention, danger, power
- Yellow enthusiasm, opportunity, happiness, positivity, youth, success, confidence
- Blue freedom, wisdom, joy, trust, honesty, loyalty, responsibility, integrity, tranquility
- Orange optimism, adventure ,warmth, excitement, sacrifice, fun, creativity,
- Green prosperity, harmony, safety, growth, kindness
- Purple comparison, spirituality, mystery, royalty
- Brown reliability, stability, honesty, comfort, humility
- Grey gloom, depression, compromise
- Black pessimism, mourning, evil, sorcery
- White peace, purity, goodness

#### 12. Abbreviations

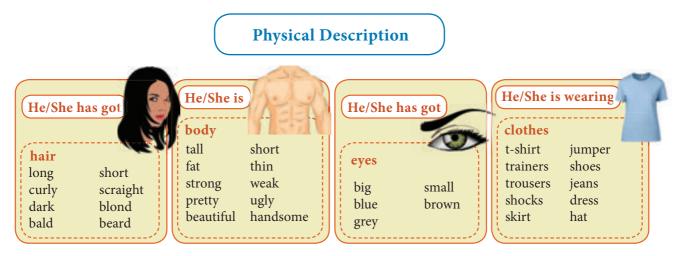
1.	SMIM	-	Send Me an Instant Message
2.	EOD	-	End Of Discussion
3.	EAT	-	Estimated Arrival Time
4.	IMD	-	India Meteorological Department
5.	INSAT	-	Indian National Satellite
6.	SEBI	-	Securities Exchange Board of India
7.	CSI	-	Crime Scene Investigation
8.	CPS	-	Child Protective Services
9.	DARE	-	Drug Abuse Resistance Education
10.	AMA	-	Against Medical Advice
11.	SUV	-	Sports Utility Vehicle
12.	NHL	-	National Hockey League
13.	PBS	-	Public Broadcasting Service
14.	ACF	-	Administration for Children and Families
15.	SCUBA	-	Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus
16.	SIM	-	Subscriber Identification Module
17.	DSS	-	Delayed Shock Syndrome
18.	NOPE	-	National Optimum Population Effort
19.	NORD	-	National Organization for Rate Disorders
20.	PSA	-	Public Service Announcement
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25. PAWS - Progressive Animal Welfare Society

# 13. Descriptive Writing



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Attempt a description of the following people with the help of the hints given in each box.

Father	
Name	: Elangovan
Age	: 41
Job	: businessman
Height	: 178cm(medium)
Weight	: 72 kg(slim)
Hair	: short, straight, black
Eyes	: small, black
Looks	: handsome
Clothes	: smart clothes for work(suit, shirt, tie), casual clothes in free time
Personality	: hard working, honest, determined,
Sports	: football, hockey
Free time	: watch movies
Likes	: vegetables, chicken
Dislikes	: junk food, sweets

Mothe	er 🔊
Name	: Thenmozhi
Age	: 38
Job	: nurse
Height	: 160cm (short)
Weight	: 50 kg (slim)
Hair	: short, wavy
Eyes	: big, green
Looks	: pleasant
Clothes	: fashionable but comfortable
Personality	: helpful
Sports	: Kho Kho,
Free time	: do cross word,
	read books
Likes	: vegetables,
	fruits
Dislikes	: meat,
	chocolates

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# Brother

Name	: Pugazhendi
Age	: 24
Job	: pupil
Height	: 161 (medium)
Weight	: 50 (slim)
Hair	: short, brown, blowy
Eyes	: big, blue
Looks	: freckled
Clothes	: T-shirt, jeans,
	trainers(always!)
Personality	: clever, wilful, dissatisfied
Sports	: skateboarding
Free time	: play computer games
Likes	: pizza
Dislikes	: fruit, vegetables
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# Grandmother

Name	: Karpagam	
Age	: 68	a VII
Relation	: mother's mum	Sel 1
Job	: retired	
Height	: 155cm(short)	
Weight	: 75 kg(plump)	
Hair	: short, curly, grey	
Eyes	: small, brown	
Looks	: wrinkled	
Clothes	: sarees	
Personality	: kind, friendly, devote	ed
Sports	: nothing	
Free time	: knit, watch TV, meet	friends
Likes	: chicken, salads, cand	lies
Dislikes	: fish, carrots	
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# Aunt

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NT	D	
Name	: Banu	
Age	: 29	
Relation	: mother's sister	011
Job	: dentist	11
Height	: 172cm(tall)	$\nabla \lambda$
Weight	: 61kg(slim)	1
Hair	: long, straight, black	1
Eyes	: big, black	
Looks	: pretty, neat	1
Clothes	: sporty	-
Personality	: smart, stylish	
Sports	: running, skiing	
Free time	: do voluntary work	
Likes	: vegetables, salads, fish	
Dislikes	: onion, cake	

Sister	C.
Name	: Bargavi
Age	:15
Job	: school girl 🛛 📝
Height	: 105cm(short)
Weight	: 28 kg(thin)
Hair	: long, wavy, brown
Eyes	: big , blue, long eyelashes

Looks	: beautiful
Clothes	: dresses, skirts
Personality	: lovely, cute, cheerful, shy

# Grandfather

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Name	: Sundar	3
Age	: 70	U
Relation Job	: mother's father : retired	
Height	: 165cm(short)	5
Weight	: 68 kg(thin)	
Hair	: bald	
Eyes	: big, black	
Looks	: weak and old	
Clothes	: pant and shirt	
Personality	: kind and loving	

# Uncle

Name	: Ashwin
Age	: 33
Relation	: father's brother
Job	: manager
Height	: 169cm(short)
Weight	: 68 kg(thin)
Hair	: short, curly, light brown
Eyes	: small, green
Looks	: tired(always)
Clothes	: casual
Personality	: funny, zany, easy-going
Sports	: nothing
Free time	: play the guitar
Likes	: junk food, cola
Dislikes	: healthy food

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Me				1000 1000
Name	: Anand : 16	Clothes	: trendy : cheerful, friendly,	
Age Job	: student	reisonanty	intelligent	
Height	: 170cm(tall)	Sports	: fitness, tennis	
Weight	: 49 kg(thin)	Free time	: meet friends, shopping	
Hair	: long, wavy, black	Likes	: salad, chicken, fish	
Eyes	: big, black	Dislikes	: cola, beans	
Looks	: pretty			

# 14. Telephone Language

Answering the phone	Hello? Jothi speaking. How may I help you?	
Introducing yourself	Hello, this is Viji calling	
Asking to speak with someone	- May I speak to Mr. Ezhil, please? - I'm just calling to say	
Connecting someone	- One moment, please. - I'm sorry, you have dialled a wrong number	
Making special requests	Could you please repeat/spell that? - I can't hear you, can you speak up a little?	
Promising to call	<ul> <li>- I'll call/phone you(back)</li> <li>- I'll give you a ring /call</li> <li>- I'll get back to you</li> <li>- I'm returning your call</li> <li>- I'll be in touch</li> </ul>	
Taking a message for someone	<ul> <li>I'm sorry, Lakshmi's out/busy at the moment.</li> <li>Can I ask who's calling?</li> <li>Can I take a message?</li> <li>I'll let him/her know you called.</li> </ul>	
Leaving a message with someone	<ul> <li>Yes, it's Shakthi here. Could you ask him to call me when he gets in? My number is</li> <li>No, that's okay. I'll call back later.</li> </ul>	
<b>Confirming Information</b>	- Okay, Let me repeat that just to make sure.	
Listening to an answering machine	Hello You've reached 222-6789. Please leave a message after the beep/tone. Thank you	
Leaving a message on an answering machine	Hello, this is Aryan calling for Kavitha. Could you please return my call as soon as possible? My number is 334-5689 Thank you.	
Finishing conversation	- Thanks for calling . Bye for now. - I need to hang up now. I'll talk to you soon. Bye!	

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# **15. Job Interview**

# Questions typically asked by employers:

- Could you tell me something about yourself?
- Why do you want to be a / an .....?
- What do you know about our company?
- Why do you want to work for our company?
- What do / did you study? Tell me about your education.
- What are your best abilities?
- Can you tell me about your work experience?
- What are your greatest strengths? What are your weaknesses?
- Why should we hire you?
- How much would you like to earn?
- How will you contribute to our company?
- What are your future plans? Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

## Questions typically asked by employees

- What will be my responsibilities?
- What will be my salary?
- Will I get some training?
- Will I get a contract of employment?
- What are the working hours?
- Is this a permanent or a temporary job?

## Useful work vocabulary

- Full time / part time
- Salary / wage
- Contract of employment
- Job experience

Jobless / unemployed

- Training
- Placement

✤ Graduate

Employer / employee

- Strengths / weaknesses
- ✤ To hire / to employ
- To fire / to dismiss
- ✤ Offer
- CV and covering letter
- Promotion
- Raise in salary

- Teamwork
- Motivation
- Cost cutting
- Increased sales / profits
- Innovative solutions

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#### Useful job interview

- 1) Before the interview, practice your responses to the typical questions most employers ask.
- 2) Know about the company to which you have applied for a job.
- 3) Be there on time for the interview. Do not be late.
- 4) Dress smartly.
- 5) Do not use strong perfumes when you go for the interview.
- 6) Do not answer the interview questions with just a 'Yes' or a 'No', but at the same time do not give very lengthy answers.
- 7) Stress your achievements but undermine your weaknesses.
- 8) Do not complain about your present employer.
- 9) Be enthusiastic in your replies.
- 10) Be professional.

# Most Asked Job Interview Questions and How to Answer Them

## 1. Tell me about yourself

Confine your answer to work related stuff. Never go much into the personal details unless the panel asks you.

# 2. Tell me about your dream job

If your response is a specific designation along with the responsibilities that you expect, you may be put under the scanner to confirm whether you suit that particular role. So better make use of stereotyped phrases like amicable environment etc.

# 3. Why did you leave your last job?

Give out a positive response of the sort "I am in pursuit of greener pastures". Just confine your words to better opportunities, However factual that may be, never ever speak out things like "It is the Ill tempered boss at the workplace that made me think of this change "

## 4. What is your weakness?

Don't start listing out all your personality disorders straight away. Stay composed and quote silly weaknesses that are strengths in disguise. Things like "I take time in getting ready to the office and so, I set my alarm two hours in advance" sound good.

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# 5. What are your strengths?

The more you market, the more will be the demand. Just list out all your strengths, Be prepared with apt instances that reflect them.

# 6. What do you know about the type of work we do?

Do necessary homework by browsing every nook and corner of the company's website so that is the most authentic source of information to answer questions like these. Talk to people working at the company for specific information in case you know someone personally.

# 7. Why should we hire you?

Speak in a balanced tone to send them a message that you need the job as the company needs you. Never compare yourself with other participants.

## 8. Do you consider yourself successful?

Invariably say "Yes". Success does not mean getting control over the whole world. Discuss all your major achievements till that point in time.

## 9. Why have you been unemployed for such a long time?

Talk about the productive activity you have done during that time right from attending any course to improving the knowledge by any means such as freelancing or else working for no compensation.

## 10. What do co-workers say about you?

Just come out with the regular compliments you used to receive from your colleagues and take care you do not sound too exaggerating.

# 11. How long would you expect to work for us if hired?

Don't be too specific by giving away a word for a particular period of time. Answers like "as long as both the parties feel satisfactory", sound good.

# 12. Do you think you are overqualified for this position?

Try to convince that you are apt for the job. Never express any sort of doubt about your credentials by speaking a bit uncertain; assure them that you are the right person.

# 13. Describe your management style.

It is very important that you make the listener understand the that you try a lot of emphasis on communication of any sorts with the subordinates and colleagues. Say how you guide them or share with them so as to make them comfortable with what they do.

## 14. Are you a team player?

Once again a firm "Yes" is necessary for this! Exemplify with various scenarios you succeeded in meeting the project deadlines as a team.

#### 15. What position do you prefer on a team working on a project?

Be imperative and create a sense of a feeling that you are flexible and don't mind whether you have to follow lead.

## Complete the job interview given below:

**Employer** : Good morning Mr.Siddu. Please take a seat.

**Candidate** : Good morning. It's a pleasure to meet you.

- **Employer** : Can you tell me .....?
- **Candidate :** I'm a customer of your company and I think you provide excellent service. I want to be a part of such a company. I'm looking for a part-time job to help me through college.
- Employer : Could you .....?
- Candidate : I'm 19 years old and need to pay for my college fees..
- **Employer** : What is .....?
- **Candidate :** I've always helped my parents in their shop. I assisted customers, ordered goods and arranged them too. Last year I worked in a restaurant as a waiter. So, I believe I have much experience in serving the customers.
- Employer : Very well .....
- **Candidate** : I don't mind. I can work in the morning and in the evening.
- Employer : .....?
- **Candidate** : Unfortunately I am not very good at computers.
- **Employer** : That's ok. Now do you have any questions you would like to ask me about the job?
- Candidate : Yes. Could you tell me what hours I'd have to work?
- **Employer** : Well, we work in 2 shifts. There is a morning shift from 6 to 10 and an evening shift from 6 to 10. Is that ok?
- **Candidate** : Yes that sounds very good. Does this mean I get the job?
- **Employer** : I will have to discuss it with my Manager. We will call you on Monday. Thank you very much.

**Candidate** : Thank you.

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# 16. Tips to write a Book Review

- 1. Start with a couple of sentences describing what the book is about
  - Don't reveal the plot twists
  - Don't write anything in detail
- 2. Discuss what you particularly like about the book. Ask yourself these questions
  - Your favourite character why?
  - Did the characters seem real?
  - The favourtite part of the book and why?
  - Do the incidents follow logically?
  - Is the style suitable to the plot and theme?
  - What was the authors goal in writing the book?
  - Did the author accomplish his or her objective?
- 3. Is there anything you dislike about the book?
- 4. Summarise the plot briefly, never go into lengthy details.
- 5. Take in to consideration the exact nature of the book whether historical, scientific or literary.
- 6. The title of the book may need an explanation.
- 7. Begin with the most factual part and end with your own personal impression.
- 8. Does it give sufficient information for the reader to form a valid opinion of the book? Make note of your answers to these questions, giving specific details to justify your reason. Criticize where criticism is justified but do not feel you must be critical to sound smart.
- 9. Give the book a rating. (Out of 10)

## **Model Letters**

#### 1. Letters of Cancellation

## a. Letter Cancelling an Appointment

#### From

K. Sumathy, 34, Gayathri street Kanchipuram – 2

8 July 2019

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To Dr. Chari, Flawless Dental Clinic, 12, Rama Street, Kanchipuram - 18.

## Dear Dr. Chari,

Sub : Cancellation of Appointment – Reg.

I would like to cancel my dental examination and cleaning appointment, which is scheduled this Thursday, July 15 at 4 p.m. due to unavoidable circumstances. I would appreciate if you could re-schedule this appointment at least two weeks from now. I apologize for any inconvenience caused by this cancellation.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

K. Sumathy

## b. Letter - Cancelling an order and requesting for a refund

#### From

C. Akilan, Sports Secretary, DE Public School, S.S Nagar, Kodaikanal – 4.

#### 10th Sep 2019

## То

Subash Sports Shop, 14, Mada Street, Ramnagar, Madurai – 9.

## Sirs,

Sub: Cancellation of Order No : 427 refund of advance paid-reg.

On 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2019, we had placed a bulk order of 1000 sports caps. The samples sent by you are not up to our expectation. We are not satisfied with the quality of the texture of the caps. Under these circumstances, our order may please be treated as cancelled. Kindly refund the advance amount by cheque to the above address.

Thanking you, Yours sincerely, *C. Akilun* 

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#### **PROJECTS – UNIT WISE**

- 1. Unit 1 Poster Making- Create informational posters (on Human Values)
- 2. Unit 2 Collect maximum number of slogans associated with banking , law and education and illustrate it with suitable pictures.

# 3. Unit 3

- A awareness (Road rules)
- B behavior ( things you should do to stay safe)
- C choice (how to make safer choices and campaigning to help others make these choices too)
- 4. Unit 4

Select any poem and give it an artistic form either line by line or the central idea of the poem ( use colours, crayons, paint, or any art material)

5. Unit – 5

Collect articles from the newspaper and magazines on civic sense ( on creating awareness, promoting awareness, implementation of programmes on govt, schemes).

6. Unit – 6

Select a short story – (mystery or adventure) and write a short review on it.

#### **Career Options**

#### 1. Public Health Entomology

These are professionals who study insects and arthropods that impact human health. Their work involves research on the behaviour and ecology of the numerous such species, with the aim of contributing to preventive and therapeutic healthcare. Many Universities, government agencies and chemical industries look for trained people to hire. The most reputed programmes in this field are the two year post graduate degree courses in public health entomology offered by different universities.

#### 2. Museology

India is leading the world in the University training of museology students. Corporate conservation and private run museum and global museum consultancies are creating considerable demand for professionals in Archeology and curation. MA in museology and conservation is offered by many universities.

#### 3. Pet grooming

Pet grooming now is a legit career, and, it pays too. A number of grooming centres dot the metropolitan map of India, taking into account the demand for pets, more are expected to come up in the future. This is an interesting career meant for those who are passionate about animals. ( )

#### 4. Carpet Technology

Carpet history has completed an interesting full circle recently, with Iran calling India its new rival in the international market for hand woven carpets. A degree in carpet technology and professional education in textiles is getting more specialised. Full fledged bachelor of technology course in carpet and textile designing are available in most of the Universites these days.

#### 5. Cartography

Map making has come a long way since the days of those beautiful medieval pieces where the cartographers' imagination was let loose. Now a days, "It's a blend of art, science and technology." This field is growing and offers attractive career possibilities. You will have to combine formal instruction with auto didactism and hands on experience. Making professional quality maps requires strong education in geography with a focus in cartography and remote sensing, mathematics through basic calculus and statistics including computer science programming. Relevant qualifications include M.Sc. in geography, PG in Cartography, Spatial Information Technology, Geographic Information Technology, Geographic Information Systems, Remote Sensing and Geo-Informatics. Salaries are quite high for a well qualified cartographer.

#### 6. Tea tasting

Tea Tasting is a career that demands sensitive taste buds as well as nurture in the form of courses and actual experience. An undergraduate background in a subject like botany, horticulture or food sciences will be required. Three months Certificate courses to one year diplomas are offered by several institutions. A Master in Tea Estate Management will also stand in good stead with recruiters.

#### 7. Puppetry

Institutions are offering formal courses to cater to aspiring puppeteers. Courses are conducted on history of puppetry as well as practical matters such as voice modulation, scripting and staging issues. Puppetry is useful in televised entertainment and advertisements, for conventional educational purposes such as language teaching as well as to convey social messages.

#### 8. Art Restoration

Restoring works of art, involves touching up, cleaning and repairing damage can overtime, in order to make paintings, sculptures and manuscripts took less worn out without losing their original essence. A bachelor's degree in Archeology or history and some knowledge of art and artists are indispensable for making a career in art restoration.

#### 9. Food Flavourist

All you need to get into this unusual way of making a living is a penchant for taste and an interest in equations. A science background in school, a B.Sc. in food chemistry and a number of allied courses can help you get there. M.Sc. in Food Chemistry and food processing is offered by many universities.  $( \bullet )$ 



# XII – Communicative English Internal Assessment / Practical's to be examined by

# **External Examiner**

# 15 Marks

- 1. Listening 5 Marks
- 2. Speaking 5 Marks
- 3. Reading 5 Marks (Any passage)

Time – 45 minutes

# **DIRECTORATE OF GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS – 2019 - 2020**

# **Answer script for practical's – Higher Secondary**

# I Listening / 5

# II Speaking / 5

S. No	Marks	
1		
2		
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Total		/ 5

# **III Reading**

Passage for Reading / 5

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#### PASSAGE - 1

Water scarcity is a major threat in many parts of the world, including India. In the world, over two billion people are dying because of it. The situation would worsen in the future with increased demand for fresh water. The earth is 70 per cent water, as are our bodies. We can last for about two to three weeks without food, but we would be dead within three days without water. What we do to our water, we do to ourselves.

Humans are increasingly putting this essential resource in serious danger. We poison our ground and surface water. We burn fossil fuels that cause acid rain and global warming. We dam our rivers, interrupting the water flow and destroyed delicate ecosystems downstream. We clear vegetation and pave massive land areas, decreasing the groundwater level and increasing flood and soil erosion. On top of all this, those with access to the most water are wasting vast amounts of it.

In September 2000, the United Nations adopted a millennium Declaration setting out targets to be reached in the coming years. One target is to reduce by half, "the proportion of people who are unable to reach or afford safe drinking water " by the year 2015.

The Millennium Declaration also aims, "to stop the unsustainable exploitation of water resources by developing water management strategies at the regional, national and local levels, which promote both equitable access and adequate supplied". Our planet's system for purification of water, like all its other systems, is delicate and balanced. It is high time that each one of us takes positive decisions to conserve water, the 'green gold' essential for all life on earth.

#### **Questions:**

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ is the major threat in many parts of the world
  - a) Resources in danger
  - b) water scarcity
  - c) flood and soil erosion
  - d) global warming
- 2. What does the burning of fossil fuel cause?
  - a) heavy rain
  - b) floods
  - c) water scarcity
  - d) acid rain
- 3. How is the eco system destroyed?
  - a) By poisoning the ground water
  - b) burning fossil fuels
  - c) by constructing dams
  - d) by not constructing dams
- 4. The United Nations adopted a Millennium Declaration in
  - a) Sep 2002
  - b) Sep 2000
  - c) Sep 2001
  - d) Sep 2003

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- 5. One target is to \_\_\_\_\_ by half the proportion of people unable to reach of afford safe drinking water.
  - a) Increase
  - b) decrease
  - c) double
  - d) reduce
- 6. Our planet's system for \_\_\_\_\_\_ of water is delicate and balanced.
  - a) exploitation
  - b) management
  - c) supply
  - d) purification
- 7. One way to protect is by preventing water \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) pollution
  - b) usage
  - c) wastage
  - d) exploitation

#### PASSAGE - 2

These Islands of great beauty, home to the finest rainforests, silver beaches, and sparkling oceans teeming with life – the Andaman and Nicobar Islands have been earmarked for large – scale tourism promotion and development. The Andaman Islands have the potential to emerge as the world's most erotic and high-end holiday destinations for ecotourism, and for advent tourism.

Tourism creates more jobs than do the agriculture and industries sectors. Keeping in view the ecology and limited 8. 'green gold' refers to \_\_\_\_\_

- a) ecology
- b) environment
- c) water
- d) life
- 9. The word 'strategies' means \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) plans
  - b) resources
  - c) dangers
  - d) decisions
- 10. What is the antonym of 'conserve'
  - a) danger
  - b) destroy
  - c) decrease
  - d) interrupt

carrying capacity of the islands, a balances should be struck between environment and economic development through tourism.

Despite their unique natural wealth, the Andamans have been attracting meager tourist traffic – about 90,000 per year. Chennai and Kolkatta are the only gateways to the islands. High –spending tourists from Europe and America take four to six days to reach the destination, and non-availability of tickets between foreign destinations and India and from the mainland to Port Blair deters tourists from coming. Therefore, traveling to the Andamans is not an attractive proposition.

A major problem in these islands is the acute water shortage. Even though the islands receive an average rainfall of 3000 mm every year, in the dry season, when the tourists start to come, the water problem begins. By the time the tourist season is over, and the tourists have gone, the problem becomes a nightmare. The migration of people from the mainland also continues and the administration refuses to do a anything about this. It is a crisis that grows every passing year.

#### Questions.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ creates more jobs than do the agriculture and industries sector
  - a) Business
  - b) Technology
  - c) Tourism
  - d) Shipping
- 2. Despite their natural wealth these islands have been attracting \_\_\_\_\_\_ tourist
  - a) Immense
  - b) large scale
  - c) limited
  - d) meager
- 3. Chennai and Kolkatta are the only \_\_\_\_\_ to these islands
  - a) Links
  - b) gateways
  - c) tourist spots
  - d) foreign destinations

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- 4. A major problem in these islands is the
  - a) Unique natural wealth
  - b) acute water shortage
  - c) tourist traffic
  - d) non-availability of tickets
- 5. Choose an appropriate synonym for the word ' teeming'
  - a) Full of
  - b) feebly
  - c) unique
  - d) emerging

#### PASSAGE - 3

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Tourism has emerged as the world's largest industry. Growing rapidly in the last two decades, today it accounts for six per cent of world output and employs some 100 million people around the globe. Since the end of the Second World War, it has developed immense revenue and development potential and stands today as a unique natural renewable resource industry.

Tourism – the travel – based recreation – provides people with a change of place and a break from the monotony of daily life. It brings peoples of different nations together, allowing them to come into close contact with each other's customs and other aspects of life. It reveals the scenic beauty and past heritage of a country to people belonging to other nations. The knowledge and experience gained in the process can lead to greater understanding and tolerance, and can even foster world peace. The contribution of tourism can be nowhere seen more clearly than on the economic front. A study conducted by the United Nations has shown that developing countries, in particular, can reap handsome benefits out of tourism which greatly boosts national income.

Tourism generates employment, and adds to the entrepreneurial wealth of a nation. While tourism's advantages are many, its undesirable side –effects have raised fresh problems.

Tourism can cause social, cultural or environmental disruption. Of the greatest concern is its damage to the environment. In order to attract more tourists, sprawling resorts are built which take neither the local architectural styles nor the ecology into consideration. Natural system come to be destroyed as a result of indiscriminate construction to provide water and waste disposal facilities and recreational arrangements to tourists. Overuse of environmental wealth disturbs the ecological balance.

Damage is most in wildlife parks which remain the foremost sites of tourists attraction. Tourist vans and the visitors' feet the ground vegetation, thus affecting the feeding habits of the animals and the landscape as well. Overcrowding bring about congestion, leading to environmental and health hazards.

The Taj Mahal, one of the seven wonders fo the world, has suffered a lot wear and tear from trampling feet of tourists. To promote safe tourism while ensuring that it remains a profitable industry, it is imperative to understand the factors that hamper the growth o tourism and check them effectively.

#### **Questions:**

- 1. Tourism has grown rapidly in the east\_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Century
  - b) five decades
  - c) two decades
  - d) few years
- 2. Tourism accounts for \_\_\_\_\_ of world output
  - a) 6%
  - b) 7 %
  - c) 5%
  - d) 4%
- 3. It stands today as a unique natural \_\_\_\_\_ resource industry.
  - a) Largest
  - b) national
  - c) socio-cultural
  - d) renewable
- 4. Tourism also means \_\_\_\_\_ based recreation
  - a) Environment
  - b) travel
  - c) culture
  - d) economy

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- 5. Tourism can also foster \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Income
  - b) recreation
  - c) world peace
  - d) employment
- 6. The contribution of business can be more clearly seen on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ front
  - a) Economic
  - b) employment
  - c) income
  - d) ecological
- Overcrowding bring about congestion, leading to \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) National income
  - b) fresh problems
  - c) health hazards
  - d) doubts
- 8. Overuse of environmental wealth disturbs the \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) ecological balance
  - b) Natural systems
  - c) damage to wild life
- 9. Choose a synonym for 'imperative'
  - a) Necessary
  - b) rapidly
  - c) immense
  - d) contribute

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- 10. Choose an antonym for 'generate'
  - a) hamper
  - b) hinder
  - c) terminate
  - d) distract

#### **PASSAGE - 4**

In the 16th century, an age of great and terrestrial exploration, marine Ferdinand Magellan led the first expedition to sail around the world. As a young Portuguese noble, he served the king of Portugal, but he became involved in the quagmire of political intrigue at court and lost the king's favor. After he was dismissed from service by the king of Portugal, he offered to serve the future Emperor Charles V of Spain.

A papal decree of 1493 had assigned a land in the New World west of 50 degrees W longitude to Spain and all the land east of that line to Portugal. Magellan offered to prove that the East Indies fell under Spanish authority. On September 20, 1519, Magellan set sail from Spain with five ships. More than a year later, one of these ships was exploring the topography of South America in search of a water route across the continent. This ship sank, but the remaining four ships searched along the southern peninsula of South America. Finally they found the passage they sought near 50 degrees S latitude. Magellan named this passage the Strait of All Saints, but today it is known as the Strait of Magellan.

One ship deserted while in this passage and returned to Spain, so fewer

sailors were privileged to gaze at that first panorama of the Pacific Ocean. Those who remained crossed the meridian now known as the international Date Line in the early spring of 1521 after 98 days on the Pacific Ocean. During those long days at sea, many of Magellan's men died of starvation and disease.

Later, Magellan became involved in an insular conflict in the Philippines and was killed in a tribal battle. Only one ship and 17 sailors under the command of the Basque navigator Elcano survived to complete the westward journey to Spain and thus prove once and for all that the world is round, with no precipice at the edge.

- 1. The 16th century was an age of great \_\_\_\_\_\_ exploration.
  - a) Cosmic
  - b) land
  - c) mental
  - d) None of the above
- 2. Magellan set sail to prove that the East Indies fell under \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) French territory
  - b) Spanish territory
  - c) English territory
  - d) African territory
- 3. The meridian is now known as the
  - a) International Date Lime
  - b) International Time zone
  - c) Equator
  - d) Latitude

- 4. Only \_\_\_\_\_\_ survived to complete the westward journey to spain
  - a) Two ships and fifteen sailors
  - b) Three ships and seventeen sailors
  - c) One ship and ten sailors
  - d) One ship and seventeen sailors
- 5. This journey proved that the \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) World is round
  - b) World is round with no precipice at the edge
  - c) World is round with precipices
  - d) World is round with edge

#### Passage - 5

Marie Curie was one of the most accomplished scientists in history. Together with her husband, Pierre, she discovered radium, an element widely used for treating cancer, and studied uranium and other radioactive substances. Pierre and Marie's amicable collaboration later helped to unlock the secrets of the atom.

Marie was born in 1867 in Warsaw, Poland, where her father was a professor of physics. At an early age, she displayed a brilliant mind and a blithe personality. Her great exuberance for learning prompted her to continue with her studies after high school. She became disgruntled, however, when she learned that the university in Warsaw was closed to women. Determined to receive a higher education, she defiantly left Poland and in 1891 entered the Sorbonne, a Fresh university, where she earned her master's degree and doctorate in physics.

Marie was fortunate to have studied at the Sorbonne with some of the greatest scientists of her day, one of her day, one of whom was Pierre Curie. Marie and Pierre were married in 1895 and spent many productive years working together in the physics laboratory. A short time after they discovered radium, Pierre was killed by a horse - drawn wagon in 1906. Marie was stunned by this horrible misfortune and endured heartbreaking anguish. Despondently she recalled their close relationship and the joy that they had shared in scientific research. The fact that she had two young daughters to raise by herself greatly increased her distress.

Curie's feeling of desolation finally began to fade when she was asked to succeed her husband as a physics professor at the Sorbonne. She was the first woman to be given a professorship at the worldfamous university. In 1911 she received the Nobel Prize in chemistry for isolating radium. Although Marie Curie eventually suffered a fatal illness from her long exposure to radium, she never became disillusioned about her work. Regardless of the consequences, she had dedicated herself to science and to revealing the mysteries of the physical world.

### Questions.

- 1. The Curies' \_\_\_\_\_ collaboration helped to unlock the secrets of the atom
  - a) Friendly
  - b) Competitive
  - c) industrious

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d) courteous

- 2. Marie had a bright mind and a \_\_\_\_\_ personality
  - a) Strong
  - b) Humorous
  - c) blithe
  - d) strange
- 3. Marie left Poland and travelled to France to enter the \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) University in Warsaw
  - b) University in Poland
  - c) Sorbonne
  - d) University in Austria
- 4. She received the Nobel Prize in
  - a) Physics
  - b) Chemistry
  - c) Astronomy
  - d) Astro Physics

### Passage - 6

When Andrew Carnegie came to America from Scotland, he was just a lad. He started out by running errands and ended up as one of the largest steel manufactures in the United States.

Someone once asked Mr. Carnegie how he dealt with people. Andrew Carnegie replied, "Dealing with people is a lot like digging for gold. When you go digging for an ounce of gold, you have to move tons of dirt. But when you go digging, you don't go looking for the dirt, you go looking for the gold." Andrew Carnegie's reply has a very important message. Though sometimes it may not be apparent, there is something positive in every person and every situation. WE have to look deep for the positive.

### Questions.

- 1. Andrew Carnegie came from \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) England
  - c) Scotland
  - b) Ireland
  - d) Finland
- 2. When he came to America, he was
  - a) An old man
  - b) A young boy
  - c) a rich man
  - d) a poor man
- 3. He started out by doing \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Manuel work
  - b) Clerical work
  - c) odd jobs
  - d) white collar jobs
- 4. Dealing with people is a lot like digging for \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Dirt
  - b) Gold
  - c) silver
  - d) ore

- 5. We have to dig \_\_\_\_ to look for the positive
  - a) Gently
  - b) Fast
  - c) around
  - d) deep

### Passage -7

Read the passage and answer each question below in a short sentence.

Some people suffer from an inability to sleep, a disease called insomnia and it may be due to different factors. The first factor many be 'biological imbalance'. Sleep is caused by a sleep system and wakefulness is caused by an arousal system. Both the systems are governed by the brain. In order to have a good sleep, the arousal system must be less and the sleep system must be more. When the arousal system goes up due to tension, insomnia many occur. Drugs are the second factor. People who consume alcohol habitually become prey to insomnia. Drugs like stimulants, sedatives, certain thyroid drugs and heart medicines can cause sleeplessness. Both sleeping pills and alcohol appear to promise better sleep. But habits and disturbing environments are the third factor in making one lose his sleep. If the bedroom is too noisy or too cold it may make one keep awake. If the stomach has too little or too much food, it may cause sleeplessness. Physical exercise too close to bedtime also confuses the sleep mechanism.

## **Questions:**

- a) What is insomnia?
- b) Does alcohol help a person sleep better?
- c) List the drugs that can cause sleeplessness.
- d) Why should one eat the right quantity of food?
- e) Why should one avoid physical exercise just before bedtime?
- 1. An inability to sleep is called
  - a) somnia
  - b) insomnia
  - c) shallow sleep
  - d) sleep mechanism
- 2. The sleep and arousal system are governed by the\_\_\_\_\_
  - a) sleep mechanism
  - b) drugs
  - c) heart
  - d) brain
- 3. The second factor resulting in sleeplessness is \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) exercise
  - b) biological imbalance
  - c) drugs
  - d) bad habits

- 4. Physical exercise too close to bed time\_\_\_\_\_
  - a) improves good memory
  - b) gives a good sleep
  - c) disturbs the sleep mechanism
  - d) increases blood circulation
- 5. This passage is about the
  - a) different factors
  - b) bad habits
  - c) wakefulness & arousal system
  - d) people suffering from

### Passage -8

Read the passage carefully and complete the statements choosing the right options:-

The Indus valley civilization, also known as the Harappan culture is one of the earliest urban civilizations. About 5000 years ago, a group of homeds, traveling from Sumeria, entered North

Western India, and settled there without hesitation. The civilizations anchor lay in the beautiful twin cities of mohenjodaro and Harappa. These cities were made of Bricks either baked Mud or wood bricks or amazingly every brick was of the same size. The city's population was about 30,000 and had very modern methods sanitation and sewerage. Located below the great mountain range, it was abundant with water and fertile soil, making agriculture the main occupation.

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1.	The	Harappan	culture	originated
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- a) Recently
- b) of late
- c) very early
- d) in Villages
- 2. The nomads form Sumeria settled in the new soil \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) With qualms
  - b) Readily
  - c) with hesitation
  - d) un willingly
- 3. The civilization was centered upon
  - a) the hard work of the nomads
  - b) the willingness of the people to labour
  - c) the trade and business prospects available
  - d) the twin cities of Mohernjo-Daro and Harappa
- 4. Every Mud or Wood Brick was \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Uneven
  - b) Smooth
  - c) Uniform
  - d) Strange
- 5. Water and fertile soil rendered the place \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) conducive
  - b) facile
  - c) complicated
  - d) unsuitable

### Passage -9

Read the passage carefully and fill in the blanks choosing the correct answer from the following:

Pearl Buck was the first American woman to be awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1938. She was born on January 26, 1982 in West Virginia, USA and as a baby, hardly six months old, was taken to China by her missionary parents. Except for a few College years in her home town, she lived until 1934 in China, where, thanks to her Chinese teacher, she learned in childhood the Chinese language much earlier than English, her mother tongue.

Mrs. Buck had the pen of a ready - writer and was so prolific in writing that she produced more than a hundred works of fiction and non - fiction. Her most popular novel, "The Good Earth', earned for her the American Pulitzer Prize in 1931. This novel, in addition to being translated into 30 languages, was filmed. Many of her works, both non fiction and fiction are widely appreciated by the general public and rated high on the popularity lists of student readers. It is not surprising therefore that the Nobel committee in 1938 cited her for her ' rich and genuine epic portrayal of Chinese like...'

#### **Questions:**

1. Pearl Buck got her Nobel prize at the age of\_\_\_\_\_

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a) 46 b) 56

c) 66 d) 76

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- 2. She spent most of her life in \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) America
  - b) England
  - c) Australia
  - d) China
- 3. Buck's mother tongue was \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Chinese
  - b) French
  - c) German
  - d) English
- 4. The most famous novel of Buck is
  - a) Letter from Peking
  - b) The Good Earth
  - c) East Wind, West Wind
  - d) Death in the castle
- 5. She produced more than \_\_\_\_\_ works of fiction and non fiction
  - a) Two hundred
  - b) three hundred
  - c) a hundred
  - d) four hundred

#### Passage -10

Read the following passage and complete the answers:

(Topsy) was one of the blacks of her race; and her round shining eyes, glittering as glass beads, moved with quick glances over everything in the room. Her mouth half open with astonishment at the wonders of the new master's parlour, displayed a white and brilliant set of

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teeth. Her woolly hair was braided in Sunday little tails which stuck out in every direction. The expression of the face was an odd mixture of shrewdness and cunningness over which was oddly drawn, like a kind of veil, an expression of the most doleful gravity and solemnity. She was dressed in a single, filthy, ragged garment, made of begging: and stood with her hands demurely folded before her. Although there was some thing odd and goblin – like about her appearance – something as Miss Ophelia afterwards said' so heathenish', as to inspire that good lady with utter dismay.

#### **Questions:**

- 1. Topsy's eyes are compared to \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) germs
  - b) glass beads
  - c) pearls
  - d) beads
- 2. She was astonished looking at the \_\_\_\_\_ of the new parlour
  - a) beauty
  - b) decoration
  - c) wonders
  - d) expensive furniture
- 3. She was dressed in \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) The best clothes
  - b) neat clothes
  - c) ragged garments
  - d) white frock

- 4. Topsy was in the care of \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Miss Olivia
  - b) Miss Ophelia
  - c) Miss Clara
  - d) Mrs. Oliver
- 5. 'She stood with her hands demurely folded, before her" – what does ' demurely' mean?
  - a) Shyly
  - b) angrily
  - c) oddly
  - d) seriously

#### Passage -11

In the eighteenth century, two men, a French Professor, Gabriel Venel, and a British chemist Joseph Priestly made a rather pleasant discover. They found that water charged with carbon – di –oxide tasted rather nice. Jacob Schweppe, a Swiss chemist began to manufacture soda water in England. This was marketed under the name Seltz. Soon, soda water became a popular refreshment.

By the beginning of the 19th century, many factories and bottling plants were set up in Europe and the United States to make and bottle this artificial ' mineral water'

Later on, it was discovered that soda could be flavoured too. You could have tasted orange flavoured or lime flavoured soda... but the most popular flavoured soda grew to be the cola. This flavor is taken from the cola tree that grows in the tropical parts of Africa, South America and Asia. Coco-cola, which is now one of the most popular carbonated drinks, was first served in 1886 at a medical ship in Atlanta, Georgia, in South America. IT marked a first in the flavouring of carbonated water.

#### **Questions:**

- 1. The pleasant taste of water with carbon-di-oxide was discovered in the \_\_\_\_\_century.
  - a) Seventeenth
  - b) eighteenth
  - c) nineteenth
  - d) twentieth
- 2. Soda water was manufactured for the first time in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) Sweden
  - b) France
  - c) England
  - d) The United States
- 3. The most well-known flavoured soda
  - a) Orange

is \_\_\_

- b) lemon
- c) mango
- d) cola

4. Coco-cola was first served in a

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- a) Restaurant
- b) party
- c) medical shop
- d) departmental store

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- 5. Soda water became a popular refreshment under the name
  - a) Schweppe
  - b) Venel
  - c) Priestly
  - d) Seltz

### Passage -13

Food, generally speaking, decays as time passes. Cooked food or uncooked meat and fish or fruits lose their freshness, become old and spoil in warm, wet air by undergoing chemical changes because of bacteria, yeasts and moulds. Some spoil within hours while other take days or weeks. Salt, Sun's heat, oil have been used to store and save food items from decomposing. Salted and dried fish is an example.

During the past five or six decades, several changes have taken place in our life styles. There are more towns and cities today than I the past; people are concentrated in these places. Population has grown in their land. And they also like to eat readymade foods.

All these changes have brought about one big change. That is, processed and canned foods an drinks have become part of our food habits. Getting food items like meat, fish, peas, fruits, and soft drinks like Cococola, Pepsi, Rasna ready for sales inside a country or in another country has become an industry. Factories prepare and produce readymade foods, using the knowledge provided by food science and Technology. They use caning, dehydration, smoke and refrigeration Communicative English Page 178 methods to process and preserve foods. For this purpose they se food additives to ad flavours, colour, nutrients to foods.

Food can be preserved by controlling or destroying the agents that spoil foods. A few of these agents are bacteria, moulds, insects, rodents, warm and wet air.

Caning is a thermal or heat processing where foods are subjected to temperatures that are high enough to kill most microorganisms. Foods are sterilized in airtight, heat-resistant pouches.

Dehydration of food removes water in the food and thus prevents bacteria from growing. IT compresses and freezedries food which can resume their original shape on rehydration.

Refrigeration and freezing help store foods along with their nutrients and flavours. Smoke treatment to food can preserve them only for a short time. Smoke contains guaiacol which has only limited capacity. It is now being used to add an appealing flavor.

### Questions

- 1. Cooked or uncooked food spoils by undergoing \_\_\_\_\_ changes
  - a) climatic
  - b) chemical
  - c) physical
  - d) biological
- 2. Salt, heat & oil save food items from
  - a. burning
  - b. decomposing

- c. dehydration
- d. losing colour
- 3. Changes in the life style of the people has inserted in \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Refrigerated foods
  - b) Salted food
  - c) processed & canned food
  - d) dried food
- 4. What method helps store foods along with their nutrients & flavours?
  - a) Refrigeration
  - b) Dehydration
  - c) Canning
  - d) Using additives
- 5. Which treatment preserves food for a short time?
  - a) Processing
  - b) adding nutrients
  - c) compressing
  - d) smoke treatment

### Passage 14

Mount Vesuvius, a volcano located between the ancient Italian cities of Pompeii and Herculaneum, has received much attention because of its frequent and destructive eruptions. The most famous of these eruptions occurred in A.D 79

The volcano had been inactive for centuries. There was little warning of the coming eruption, although one account unearthed by archaeologists says that a hard rain and a strong wind had disturbed the celestial calm during the preceding night. Early the next morning, the volcano poured a huge river of molten rock down upon Herculaneum, completely burying the city and filling the harbor with coagulated lava.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the mountain, cinders, stone and ash rained down on Pompeii. Sparks for the burning ash ignited the combustible rooftops quickly. Large portions of the city were destroyed in the conflagration. Fire, however, was not the only cause of destruction. Poisonous sulfuric gases saturated the air. These heavy gases were not buoyant in the atmosphere and therefore sank toward the earth and suffocated people.

Over the years, excavations of Pompeii and Herculaneum have revealed a great deal about the behavior of the volcano. By analyzing data, much as a zoologist dissects an animal specimen, scientists have concluded that the eruption changed large portions of the area's Geography. For instance, it turned the Sarno River from its course ad raised the level of the beach along the Bay of Naples. Meteorologists studying these events have also concluded that Versuvius caused a huge tidal wave that affected the world's climate.

In addition to making these investigations archaeologists have been able to study the skeletons of victims by using distilled water to wash away the volcanic ash. By strengthening the brittle bones with acrylic paint, scientists have been able to examine the skeletons and draw conclusions about the diet and habits of the residents. Finally, the excavations at both Pompeii and Herculaneum have yielded many examples of classical art, such as jewelry made of bronze, which is an alloy of copper and tin. The eruption of Mount Vesuvius and its tragic consequences have provided everyone with a wealth of data about the effects that volcanoes can have on the surrounding area. Today, volcanologists an locate and predict eruptions, saving lives and preventing the destruction of other cities and cultures.

# Questions

- 1. Herculanem and its harbor were buried under \_\_\_\_\_ lava.
  - a) liquid
  - b) solid
  - c) flowing
  - d) coagulated
- 2. Te poisonous gases were not \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the air
  - a) able to float
  - b) visible
  - c) able to evaporate
  - d) invisible
- Scientists analyzed data about Vesuvius in the same way that a zoologist \_\_\_\_\_\_a specimen
  - a) describes in detail
  - b) studies by cutting apart
  - c) photographs

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d) chart

- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ have concluded that the volcanic eruption caused a tidal wave.
  - a) Scientists
  - b) scientist who study atmosphere conditions
  - c) Scientists who study ash
  - d) scientists who study animal behavior
- 5. Scientists have used \_\_\_\_\_ water to wash away volcanic ash from the skeletons of victims.
  - a) bottled
  - b) volcanic
  - c) purified
  - d) sea

### Passage 15

King Louis XVI and Queen Marie Antoinette ruled France from 1774 to 1789, a time when the country was fighting bankruptcy. The royal couple did not let France's insecure financial situation limit their immoderate spending, however. Even though the minister of finance repeatedly warned the king and queen against wasting money, they continued to spend great fortunes on their personal pleasure. This lavish spending greatly enraged the people of France. They felt that the royal couple bought its luxurious lifestyle at the poor people's expense.

Marie Antoinette, the beautiful but exceedingly impractical queen, seemed uncaring about her subjects' misery. While French citizens begged for lower

taxes, the queen embellished her palace with extravagant works of art. She also surrounded herself with artists, writers, and musicians, who encouraged the queen to spend money even more profusely.

While the queen's favourite glutted themselves on huge feasts at the royal table many people in France were starving. The French government taxed the citizens outrageously. These high taxes paid for the entertainments the queen and her court so enjoyed. When the minister of finance tried to stop these royal spendthrifts, the queen replaced him. The intense hatred that the people felt for Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette kept building until it led to the French Revolution. During this time of struggle and violence (1789 - 1799), thousands of aristocrats, as well as the king and queen themselves lost their lives at the guillotine. Perhaps if Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette had reined in their extravagant spending, the events that rocked France would not have occurred.

1. The people surrounding the queen encouraged her to spend money

a) Wisely

- b) Abundantly
- c) Carefully
- d) Foolishly

- 2. The minister f finance tried to curb these royal\_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Aristocrats
  - b) Money wasters
  - c) Individuals
  - d) Spend thrifts
- 3. This lavish spending \_\_\_\_\_ the people of France.
  - a) Provoked
  - b) Insulted
  - c) Ear aged
  - d) Gladdened
- 4. The intense hatred of the people led to the \_\_\_\_\_
  - a) Minister being replaced
  - b) Government taxing the citizens outrageously
  - c) Death of many people
  - d) French revaluation
- 5. Thousands of aristocrats, as well as the king and queen lost their lives
  - a) In the French revolution
  - b) At the guillotine
  - c) In the royal palace
  - d) Into violence

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