



# Silent Bells



മസ്ജിദിലെ - അനുബന്ധ പഠനസഹായകസാമഗ്രി

Class:10

Subject:English

Date:11/12/2020

WorksheetNo:40

Class link1: PLAY

Lesson : The Scholarship Jacket

L.O : Read and comprehend the textual passages

Class link 2 PLAY



Marta Salinas

## The Scholarship Jacket

*The Scholarship Jacket is a short story by Marta Salinas. This story speaks about the obstacles the narrator had to encounter in her school days to possess the coveted scholarship jacket awarded to the class valedictorian, the student who maintained the highest grades for eight years. It was a beautiful gold and green Jacket with a big gold 'S' on the left front side and your name written in gold letters on the pockets.*



### ACTIVITY 1.

Read paragraphs 1 to 4 of the story 'The Scholarship Jacket and answer the following questions.

1. What was the tradition followed in the small Texas School?

.....

2. Identify the word from the paragraph which means ' the person who graduates with the highest grades'.

.....

3. Describe the Scholarship Jacket.

.....



# Silent Bells



ഫസ്റ്റ് ബെൽ - അനുബന്ധ പഠനസഹായകസാമഗ്രി

4. What might be the inspiration behind Martha to win the scholarship jacket?

.....

5. How old was Martha then?

.....

6. Identify the sentence in the second paragraph which tells us that Martha was striving persistently to achieve her dream?

.....

7. Do you think that Martha's parents were poor? Justify your answer by citing instances from the second paragraph.

.....

8. Why couldn't Martha participate in sports despite being agile and athletic?

.....

9. Identify the idiom mentioned in the fourth paragraph which means something happens in an extreme way.

.....

10. What does the expression 'spring fever' mean?

.....

11. What did she feel every time she looked in the mirror?

.....

12. How does Martha describe herself and what did her friends call her?

.....

13. 'Coach Thomson was a real bear if someone wasn't dressed in PE' What impression do you get from this sentence?

.....



# Silent Bells



ഫസ്റ്റ് ബെൽ - അനുബന്ധ പഠനസഹായകസാമഗ്രി

## ACTIVITY 2.

Martha has maintained the 'A' grade in her eighth grade too. She is looking forward to win the Scholarship Jacket. She decides to share her dream with her friend. Write the likely letter.

### Points to Remember

- \* This is an informal / friendly letter.
- \* Write sender's address with date. (Blue Hill Cottage, Texas, 11/12/2020)
- \* Write Salutation (My Dear/Dear Friend)
- \* Content or Body of the Letter.
  - a) A good opening (How are you dear? / It's long since I heard from you...)
  - b) Idea to be conveyed (Please mention the following points)
    - > The custom carried out in her school.
    - > How much she longed for the Scholarship Jacket?
    - > The person behind her inspiration.
    - > Why the Scholarship Jacket was her only chance?
- \* Conclusion (Convey my regards to all at home/ waiting for your reply)
- \* Leave taking (Yours lovingly / With lots of love etc.
- \* Sender's Name and Sign.



# Silent Bells



മസ്ജിദിലെ - അനുബന്ധ പഠനസഹായകസാമഗ്രി

## ACTIVITY3:

The management decides to change the policy regarding scholarship Jacket. The Principal feels uncomfortable and unhappy about this change. He expresses his resentment in a letter to the management. Write the likely letter.

### Points to remember

\* It's formal letter

\* Write sender's address with date.

Receiver's address.

\* Write Salutation (Sir/Madam)

\* Content or Body of the Letter.

a) A good beginning (I write this letter to express my concern.....)

b) Purpose of writing ( Sudden change in the policy/ School's tradition which is carried out every year/ deserving student-Marta/etc.)

c) Good conclusion (I request to reconsider the change of policy and arrive at a favourable decision)

Leave taking (Yours faithfully/ Yours sincerely)



# Silent Bells



ഫസ്റ്റ് ബെൽ - അനുബന്ധ പഠനസഹായകസാമഗ്രി

ACTIVITY 4: Read the paragraphs 5 to 8 and rearrange the following sentences in correct order.

JUMBLED ORDER	CORRECT ORDER
a) The Principal informs Martha of the change in policy and demands her to pay fifteen dollars.	a)
B) Martha dreams of getting the Scholarship Jacket.	b)
c) Mr. Schmidt is not ready to falsify Martha's record.	c)
d) Texas school has a tradition to present a Scholarship Jacket to the class valedictorian.	d)
e) She overhears an argument between Mr.Schmidt and Mr.Boone.	e)
f) Martha didn't mean to eavesdrop.	f)

QR CODE CLASS 1



QR CODE CLASS 2

