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പത്താംതരം വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ പഠനത്തിന്റെ ഭാഗമായ സംശയനിവാരണ പ്രാർത്ഥനങ്ങളുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട്, കോവിഡ് മാനദണ്ഡങ്ങൾ പാലിച്ചുകൊണ്ടുതന്നെ ജില്ലയിലെ വിദ്യാലയങ്ങൾ സജീവമായിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുകയാണ്. ആലപ്പുഴ ഡയറ്റ് നടത്തിയ വിദ്യാലയ സന്ദർശനങ്ങളുടെ ഭാഗമായി അധ്യാപകർ രക്ഷിതാക്കൾ, ജനപ്രതിനിധികൾ തുടങ്ങിയവരുമായി നടത്തിയ ചർച്ചയിൽ പത്താം തരം പൊതു പരീക്ഷയുടെ റിവിഷൻ പ്രവർത്തനങ്ങളെ സഹായിക്കുന്ന ഒരു വായനാ സാമഗ്രിയുടെ ആവശ്യകത പരക്കെ ഉന്നയിക്കപ്പെടുകയുണ്ടായി. പൊതുപരീക്ഷയിൽ പ്രത്യേക ഊന്നൽ നൽകേണ്ട പാഠഭാഗങ്ങൾ പൊതുവിദ്യാഭ്യാസ വകുപ്പ് നിർദ്ദേശിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. ഈ പശ്ചാത്തലത്തിലാണ് നിരകതിർ 2021 എസ്സ് എസ്സ് എൽ സി റിവിഷൻ സഹായി ആലപ്പുഴ ഡയറ്റ് തയ്യാറാക്കി പുറത്തിറങ്ങുന്നത്.

പൊതുവിദ്യാഭ്യാസ വകുപ്പ് നിർദ്ദേശിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള വിവിധ വിഷയങ്ങളുടെ ഊന്നൽ മേഖലകളാണ് ഇതിലെ പ്രതിപാദ്യം. വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് ഉന്നതവിജയം കരസ്ഥമാക്കുന്നതിന് ഇത് ഉപകരിക്കും . ഊന്നൽ മേഖലകൾ നിശ്ചയിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നത് തന്നെ ഉപരിപഠനത്തിന് സഹായകമായ പാഠഭാഗങ്ങളെ മുൻനിർത്തിയാണല്ലോ. എന്നിരുന്നാലും പാഠഭാഗങ്ങൾ പൂർണ്ണമായി മനസ്സിലാക്കാനും പൊതു പരീക്ഷക്കു സഹായകമായി ഈ ഊന്നൽ മേഖലകൾ കേന്ദ്രീകരിച്ചുള്ള പഠനം നിർവഹിക്കാനും ശ്രദ്ധിക്കണം. വളരെ കുറഞ്ഞ സമയത്തിനുള്ളിൽ തന്നെ വ്യത്യസ്ത വിഷയങ്ങളിൽ ഈ വായനാ സാമഗ്രി തയ്യാറാക്കാൻ കഴിഞ്ഞത് ജില്ലയിലെ അധ്യാപകരുടെ ആത്മാർത്ഥമായ പരിശ്രമം കൊണ്ടുമാത്രമാണ്. ഡയറ്റിന്റെ എല്ലാ പ്രവർത്തനങ്ങളിലും ജില്ലയിലെ അധ്യാപകരും വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ പ്രവർത്തകരും നൽകിവരുന്ന പിന്തുണ ഇതിന്റെ പ്രവർത്തനത്തിലും ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ട്. പത്താം തരം പൊതുപരീക്ഷയെ മികച്ച ആത്മവിശ്വാസത്തോടെ അഭിമുഖീകരിക്കാൻ നിരകതിർ 2021 സഹായിക്കുമെന്ന് പ്രതീക്ഷിക്കുന്നു. ഈ സംരഭത്തെ സഹായിച്ച എല്ലാവർക്കും നന്ദി.

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From The Makers' Desk

Focussing on the focus will fetch us the desired results, it is believed. Take this as a humble effort from a group of teachers to enable our students to face the SSLC exam with confidence. As we all know in the Covid 19 pandemic ,the learning at schools was not satisfactorily done. The online classes through Victers had to a great extent served its purpose. We earnestly hope that this endeavour will be a helping hand for all the learners at the time when their linguistic competency is evaluated in the exam.

The focus area consists of six lessons. Four prose and two poems. They are as follows.

PROSE

Adventures in a Banyan Tree

The Snake and the Mirror

Project Tiger

The Best Investment I Ever Made

POEMS

Lines Written in Early Spring

The Ballad of Father Gilligan

In this attempt we concentrate on the focussed content. Hope this will be an enjoyable experience for the learners and teachers.

Adventures in a Banyan Tree

Ruskin Bond

The first unit Glimpses of Green contains three literary pieces. All these pieces figure in the focus section. Hence the unit has to be dealt with added attention. The whole unit breathes the spirit of nature and echoes the importance of Preserving nature and environment. The first text Adventures in a banyan tree reveals the unending mysteries nature has preserved for us in the point of view of a child. Here Ruskin bond an Indian author of British descent details of one of his most intimate childhood memories. Let's go through the possible linguistic tasks from the lesson.

Synopsis

The Adventures in A Banyan Tree

The narrator is a boy of ten living in his grandfather's house at Mussorie in the Himalayan valley. The magnificent Banyan tree in front of the house was his domain. The tree was full of birds, figs butterflies and other animals. A squirrel in the tree became his companion. They together had so much of fun. Their friendship became so deep that the squirrel used to take cakes and biscuits even from the boys pocket.

The boy made a platform halfway up the tree and used to watch beneath. One summer afternoon resting there he witnessed a fierce battle between a full blooded cobra and a mongoose. It was in fact a battle of the Champions. Like the boy, a crow and a mynah too appreciated the fight. Ultimately the battle was won by the mongoose who caught the cobra by the hood and dragged it to the brushes.

Lastly there is the reference about a white rat's incident when a pet white rat in the house became the father of three white baby squirrels.

Profile

Prepare a profile of Ruskin Bond from the given hints

Name	:	Ruskin Bond
Birth	:	19th May 1934
Educated	:	Bishop cotton School Shimla
Field of interest	:	Children's literature
Style of writing	:	Simple and nature oriented
Major works	:	The angry river, Our trees still grow in Dehra etc.
Awards	:	Padma Shri 1999
		Lifetime achievement award 2017
Present state	:	Lives with family in Mussoorie

PROFILE

Ruskin Bond (1934-)



The celebrated writer of Children's literature Ruskin Bond was born on 19th May 1934. He was educated from Bishop cotton school, Shimla. His writings breath the spirit of nature and style so simple indeed. His major works are The angry river, Our trees still grow in Dehra etc. He was awarded Padma Shri in 1999 and Lifetime achievement award in 2017. He now lives with family in Mussoorie.

What makes a good profile

- Organise important details carefully
- Use appropriate descriptive vocabulary
- Proper linkers for connecting.

Testing Comprehension

Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

A) The house and grounds of our home in India were Grandfather's domain, the magnificent old banyan tree was mine-chiefly because Grandfather, at the age of sixty-five, could no longer climb it. Grandmother used to tease him about this, and would speak of a certain Countess of Desmond, an English woman who lived to the age of 117, and would have lived longer if she hadn't fallen while climbing an apple tree. The spreading branches of the banyan tree, which curved to the ground and took root again, forming a maze of arches, gave me endless pleasure. The tree was older than the house, older than Grandfather, as old as the town of Dehra, nestling in a valley at the foot of the Himalayas.

1. In which place does the incident take place?
2. Why couldn't the grandfather climb the banyan tree?
3. How would have Countess of Desmond lived longer?
4. Pick out the line from the passage which suggest that the boy is a nature lover?
5. Which word in the paragraph means "kingdom"?

Answers:

1. The incident takes place in the town of Dehra, a valley at the foot of the Himalayas.
2. Because he was sixty five.
3. The Countess of Desmond would have lived longer, if she hadn't fallen from an apple tree.
4. The spreading branches of the banyan tree, which curved to the ground and took root again, forming a maze of arches, gave me endless pleasure.
5. Domain.

B) Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

In the spring, when the banyan tree was full of small red figs, birds of all kinds would flock into its branches, the red-bottomed bulbul, cheerful and greedy; gossiping rosy pastors; and parrots and crows, squabbling with each other all the time. During the fig season, the banyan tree was the noisiest place on the road.

Halfway up the tree I had built a small platform on which I would often spend the afternoons when it wasn't too hot. I could read there, propping myself up against the bole of the tree with cushions taken from the drawing room. Treasure Island, Huckleberry Finn, The Mowgli stories, and the Novels of Edgar Rice Burroughs and Louisa May Alcott made up my bag of very mixed reading.

1. How did the banyan tree become the noisiest place during spring?
2. Find a word from the passage that means "spreading rumour"?
3. Where did the boy build a small platform?
4. Why it is said that the boy was a mixed reader?
5. What did the boy do in order to make the reading more comfortable?

Answers:

1. In the spring, the banyan tree was full of small red figs, birds of all kinds would flock into its branches.
2. Gossiping.
3. Halfway up the banyan tree.
4. Because he had read books of variety themes and authors.
5. He took cushions from drawing room to prop himself up against the bole of the tree.

C) Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

It was an April afternoon. And the warm breezes of approaching summer had sent everyone, including Grandfather, indoors. I was feeling drowsy myself and was wondering if I should go to the pond behind the house for a swim, when I saw a huge black cobra gliding out of a clump of cactus and making for some cooler part of the garden. At the same time a mongoose (whom I had often seen) emerged from the bushes and went straight for the cobra.

1. Which season is described in the paragraph?
2. Why everyone liked to sit indoor?
3. Trace a word from the passage that means "half sleep"?
4. Where did the cobra want to go?
5. From where did the mongoose emerge?

Answers:

1. Summer.
2. Too hot.
3. Drowsy.
4. To a cooler part of the garden.
5. From the bushes.

D) Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

In a clearing beneath the tree, in bright sunshine, they came face to face.

Cobra knew only too well that the grey mongoose, three feet long, was a superb fighter, clever and aggressive. But the cobra was skilful and experienced fighter too. He could move swiftly and strike with the speed of light, and the sacs behind his long, sharp fangs were full of deadly venom.

1. Name the two enemies described here?
2. What was the sacs of the cobra filled with?
3. Which word in the paragraph means “having fighting spirit”?
4. How could the cobra strike?
5. What picture of the mongoose do you get from the paragraph?

Answers:

1. Mongoose and Cobra
2. With deadly venom.
3. Aggressive.
4. The cobra could strike with the speed of light.
5. The mongoose is a superb fighter, clever and aggressive.

E) Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

Hissing defiance, defiance his forked tongue darting in and out, the cobra raised three of his six feet off the ground, and spread his broad, spectacled hood. The mongoose bushed his tail. The long hair on his spine stood up (in the past, the very thickness of his hair had saved him from bites that would have been fatal to others).

Though the combatants were unaware of my presence in the banyan tree, they soon became aware of the arrival of two other spectators. One was a myna, and the other a jungle crow (not the wily urban crow). They had seen these preparations for battle, and had settled on the cactus to watch the outcome. Had they been content only to watch, all would have been well with both of them.

1. How can the hair of mongoose become lifesaving?
2. Pick out a word from the passage which means “participants of a fight”?
3. Who were the spectators of the fight?
4. Can you give a terrifying picture of the cobra from the paragraph?
5. What would have been well for the crow and myna?

Answers:

1. Could save him from bites that would have been fatal to others.
2. Combatants.
3. A myna and a jungle crow.
4. Hissing defiance, defiance his forked tongue darting in and out, the cobra raised three of his six feet off the ground, and spread his broad, spectacled hood.
5. It would have been well if the cobra and the mongoose only watched the fight .

F) The cobra was weakening, and the mongoose, walking fearlessly up to it, raised himself on his short legs, and with lightning snap had the big snake by the snout. The cobra writhed and lashed about in a frightening manner, and even coiled itself about the mongoose, but all to no avail. The little fellow hung grimly on, until the snake had ceased to struggle. He then smelt along its quivering length, and gripping it round the hood, dragged it into the bushes. The myna dropped cautiously to the ground, hopped about, peered into the bushes from a safe distance, and then, with a shrill cry of congratulation, flew away.

1. Why was the mongoose fearless?
2. Who is the little fellow mentioned here?
3. How did the myna congratulate the winner?
4. Trace the word from the paragraph which means “no use”?
5. What was the last offensive movement of the cobra?

Answers:

1. Because the cobra was weakening.
2. The mongoose.
3. Myna congratulated the winner with a shrill cry of congratulation.
4. No avail
5. The cobra coiled the mongoose.

To your kind attention

Mind. Each comprehension question carries one mark and it can be answered with minimum time. But ensure your answer is as short as possible. Answer to the question. No detailing, No repetitions.

Letter

A letter is a written message containing information from one party to another. There are different type of letters used for different types of communication. They may be classified as

1. Informal/personal letter- Written to relatives and friends.
2. Formal/Official letter- Written to offices or concerned officials

Essential of a letter

1. Heading : Address of the writer with date. It can be on the left or right.
2. Salutation : Courteous greetings (Dear.....)
3. Body : Content of the letter
4. Subscription : Courteous leave taking (Yours.....)
5. Signature : Name of the writer

The above said features differ with respect to the kind of letter.

The boy is thrilled about his friendship with the squirrel and he writes a letter to his friend narrating the same. Draft a letter.

Place,
Date.

Dear Alex,

Sorry to have delayed my reply. I am sure you too are enjoying vacation just like me.

Here in my grandfather's home I am going through some of the most wonderful experiences in life. The marvellous banyan tree in the courtyard is my constant companion. Throughout day time I sit up on the tree. I have got a new friend from the tree. It's a tiny squirrel. At first he was afraid to come near me. But I won his confidence at last. He realised that it I had neither airgun and catapult. But I had cakes and biscuits. I gave him eatables and he became bold enough to come near me. As time went by we became so close. Now whenever he sees me, he comes near me, puts hand into my pocket and takes the eatables. He will run into my body and lick upon my face. Oh! what a sweet company.

Here I am in the seventh heaven of delight. How happy the vacation days? My prayer is that they won't end up soon. Convey my loving regards to all.

Yours lovingly,

Sd /-

Name.

Things to Remember

- Use proper format: place, date, salutation
- Good beginning
- Idea conveyed
- Proper conclusion
- Proper complementary clause

Other Possible Letters

1. The boy writes a letter to his friend describing the fight between the mongoose and the cobra
2. The boy writes a letter to his mother describing the white rat incident.
3. After watching the fight between the cobra and the mongoose, the boy in the story *Adventures in a Banyan Tree*, understood that even wild mongoose could be beneficial to man. Imagine he shares his thoughts with one of his friends through a letter. Write a likely letter.

Newspaper Report

The death of the countess of Desmond at the age of 117 had created a great popular sensation. Prepare a newspaper report about it.

“A Fall” - Countess of Desmond Passed Away at 117

Desmond: 23 May 2017 : The most celebrated Countess of Desmond who passed 117 years of earthly life bid farewell to her earthly pleasures today due to a fall from an apple tree. She was very energetic and fond of fresh apples. She believed that those fresh apples were the reason behind her health and energy. But today at 08.00 am while climbing on the apple tree for fresh apples, as she does everyday, her foot slipped and fell into the ground with two apples in her hand. She was suddenly transferred to hospital with deadly injuries. Doctors tried their level best to save her life. But around 11.00 am she bid farewell this this land. Her funeral will be held on 24 th May 09.30 am with all official honours at St.Franzis Assisi Church, Dusmond.

What makes a good newspaper reporter?

- Apt title.
- Factual details place date and major events included.
- Logical sequencing .
- Language of reporting factual.

Diary

Prepare the diary of the boy the day he witnessed the fight between the cobra and the mongoose.

20th April 2021

Monday

A Day to Cherish

As usual I climbed up on banyan tree and started to read. It was too hot and everyone remained inside. Suddenly some noise below- What a sight! Truly hair raising. A three feet grey mongoose and a highly poisonous cobra face to face. Excited I was! No doubt, it is going to be a battle of champions. When the cobra raised three feet and spread out his spectacled hood, nobody could help shivering. The hairs of the mongoose, I could see lifted up to evade the bite. A sound from above? Oh! a myna and a crow also have come to witness the fight. The cobra was swaying side to side to mesmerize the mongoose to make a false move. But the mongoose was concentrating on the hood of the cobra. With the speed of light, the cobra tried to bite the mongoose. But alas! the mongoose evaded it skilfully. In the meantime, the myna and crow collided on the air and the crow fell flat to the ground dead. What a tragedy. The one who came to see fell dead. Each time the cobra struck, the mongoose evaded it. As time went by the cobra was weakening. But the mongoose as energetic as ever. At last the mongoose had the snout of the cobra in his mouth. The cobra tried to coil the mongoose but it was in vain. The mongoose dragged the cobra to the bushes and stamped its victory. The myna looked at the bushes and produced a cry of congrats. I climbed down and informed grandpa of the fight. He was so happy.

What makes a good Diary?

- First person narrative
- Language spontaneous natural and reflective
- Emotions given preference
- Content relevant to the context
- Informal Language
- No full sentences needed
- Date is a must

Other possible question

Grandfather was very pleased to know that his grandson is a lover of nature and has discovered the white squirrels. He prepare his thoughts in the form of a diary.

24 April 2020, Friday

I am so happy for my grandson. I know that he is a natural lover. Even then, the strange case of the white squirrels has made him wonder once again. This nature is full of such wonders. In fact, the banyan tree has given him a chance to explore this beautiful world around us. When man lives close to the nature, then only he observes all these wonderful aspects. Since my grandson usually passes his time on the tree, he has many friends there too. The grey squirrel also falls among them. And now, the appearance of the white baby squirrels surprised him as well. It is natural for him to wonder about the white squirrels because we don't find such things every time. Really, nature and its ways are unique and my grandson understood it through this experience in a better manner. What more could I have expected! Anything learnt at such an age will stay with him for life. He will also inspire his friends to be close to the nature as well. Oh God! How blessed I am!

Narrative

Prepare a narrative of the boy about the white rat incident

The Mystery

The white rat in the house was grandpa's pet. He bought it for four anas from the market. As time went by he became my pet too. I used to carry him to the banyan tree. There he found a strange friend. It was none but a squirrel. Their friendship deepened and they used to go for excursions through the branches of the tree. One day I found a hole in the tree. It was a nest! Inside the nest I could see grandma's knitting needle and clothes. Quite surprisingly I found three white baby squirrels inside. Now everything was crystal clear. It was the white rat that supplied the materials from our house for the rest of his beloved friends. Grandfather asserted that the white rat was the father of baby squirrels. I don't know if it is biologically possible. But we all like to think in that way.

What makes a good narrative

- A catchy title
- Events fixed and developed properly
- Various sentences
- Proper beginning and ending
- The time and space of action conveyed
- Writing logically sequenced sentences
- The choice of words apt
- Sensuous images used meaningfully
- Imagination and creativity used aptly

Other possible Narrative questions

1. The boy narrates his intimacy with squirrel .
2. The mynah narrates its experience of watching the fight and the untimely death of his friend, the crow.

Character Sketch

The Boy

The boy in the story “Adventures in a Banyan Tree” is a typical character. He is in fact the protagonist and we look at the events of the story from his point of view. More than anything else, the boy is a lover of nature. The banyan tree, the figs and the birds around him makes him very happy and enjoyable. He is such a nature lover that the animals never worry him. That is why he watched the fight between the cobra and the mongoose from top. He is a good reader and put up a platform on the tree to rest and read. The boy is so kind and never does he carry catapult or airgun to attack them. He loves and respects elders and this is clear in his dealings with his grandfather.

The Grandfather

The grandfather is a typical character in the story “Adventures in a Banyan Tree”. He is the head of the family and 65 years old. But age has never weakened him. He is very energetic and spirited. Even at this age he dreams of climbing the banyan tree and grandmother discourage him. He loves his grandson very much. The grandfather is intelligent and allows the mongoose to live in the garden and thus keep away snakes. He doesn't tame the mongoose because he knows that of domesticated it would lose its vigour. Like the grandson the grandfather too is a lover of nature.

What makes a Good Character Sketch

- What others said about a person makes his character
- Identifies the role and importance of the character
- Important character features identified with apt examples to substantiate
- Well organised ideas

Possible Questions

Compare and contrast the characteristics of the cobra and the mongoose

Speech

Based on the theme of the story Adventures of a Banyan Tree prepare a speech on the importance of preserving nature on June 5-The World Environmental Day.

Respected chair the other dignitaries on the dais and my dear friends,

Today is June 5th, the World Environmental Day. It is the day we should realize how much needy the environment to us and how cruel we are to that. In this occasion my thoughts go back to a lesson that I have studied recently "Adventures in a Banyan Tree" by Ruskin Bond. The whole story tells us about a boy's love with environment, especially with a banyan tree in his garden. Sitting upon the tree the boy would look at the world. The squirrels, the crows, the parrots, the rabbits, the rats, the myna, the mongoose and the cobra are part of the boy's life. We have to remember that earth is the only place we can live in the universe. The world was green when our grandfathers handed over it to us. The world should be green when we hand it to our next generation.

Deforestation has wide spread nowadays. Trees give us oxygen. If there are no trees we will have no rain, no water. It is estimated that eleven million hectars of forest are cut down in the world a year. In India it is one million. Urbanization, growing population and desire for development are the reasons for cutting of trees. The after effects of deforestation are tragic. Both flood and drought will wipe out human race if it is continued. Due to deforestation oxygen content will be decreased and the carbon dioxide will increase. Due to this it will increase global warming. More and more wild life species will extinct.

So my dear friends, the thoughts expressed by Ruskin Bond in Adventures in a Banyan Tree are very relevant now. We should live and we should let others live. With this message I conclude my words.

Thank you very much.

What makes a good speech?

- The topic introduced well-trained
- Topic logically and appropriately divided in to component ideas
- Meticulously chosen words
- Preservation of own ideas
- Effective conclusion summing up all the points
- Language excellence

Slogan

Prepare four slogans against Environmental Destruction

- **Live and let live**
- **No trees-No Earth, No Water, No Man**
- **Cutting Trees
Digging Graves**
- **Say "No" to Deforestation
Say "Yes" to Afforestation**

What Makes a Good Slogan

- Catchy
- Brief
- Easy to memorize
- Rhythmic

Notice

Suppose Ruskin Bond comes to your school to inaugurate the school Nature Club. Prepare a notice for the function

NOTICE GOVT. HSS ALACODE

Dear friends,

We all know that protecting nature and environment are the needs of the hour. It's our cardinal duty to hand over a fresh purified and less malignant earth to those who come after us. Nature Clubs in schools serve this purpose to a great extent. It is decided to conduct the inauguration of our school Nature Club on 21st of September 2020 at 10:00 a.m in the school auditorium. The honourable environmentalist and man of letters Padmashree Ruskin bond has kindly consented to inaugurate the same.

Your presence is solicited.

(sd/-)
Secretary
School Natural Club

15th September 2020

What makes a Good Notice

- Appropriate format and layout
- Necessary details such as date, time and venue incorporated
- Language used

“The much awaited day has arrived”. You are the host of the program . Invite Ruskin bond to the stage to inaugurate the school nature club.

Respected principal, teachers, parents and my dear friends. The long wait is over. Today is a red letter day in the history of our school. We are so blessed by the presence of a great celebrity who has done great contributions to the field of Indian child literature. It is none other than Ruskin bond. The smell of nature is an integral part of all his writings. He has contributed a lot in sowing the seeds of nature love among readers especially children. With your permission I welcome him onto the stage.

Give him a big hand.

Thank you

Interview Questions

Suppose as a press reporter you got a chance to interview Ruskin Bond. Prepare five questions.

1. Sir you are born of British parents. Then tell us how you got to be so intimated with India?
2. Who inspired you into literature on early days?
3. What's your recent work?
4. How far your family has supported you in your endeavours?
5. What's your advice to the present generation?

What makes good interview questions?

- Questions clear and specific
- Variety of questions
- Sequenced questions logically
- The air of intimacy maintained

Language Elements

The focus area suggests three types of questions under language element participants.

They are

1. Completing Conversation
2. Editing
3. Phrasal Verbs

But the students are to be instructed to go through important areas such as Reported Speech, Passive Voice, Clozed type which will enable them for examinations in future.

Phrasal Verb

Phrasal verbs are important because we can make out the contextual use of relevant phrases. The verbal part of it will change in accordance with the tense of the sentence.

eg. turn down -turned down

Phrasal Verbs are a combination of

Verb + Preposition (Put on - > Put-Verb, on-Preposition)

Verb + Adverb (Put off - > Put -verb, off – Adverb)

Verb + Adverb + Preposition (Put up with - > Put – verb, up – Adverb with-Preposition)

Familiarise these Phrasal Verbs

1. Bring About - Cause To Happen(കാരണമാവുക)
2. Bring Up - Educate And Provide Care(വളർത്തുക)
3. Bring Out - Publish(പ്രസിദ്ധീകരിക്കുക)
4. Call For - Demand(ആവശ്യപ്പെടുക)
5. Call Out - Summon(വിളിച്ചു ചേർക്കുക)
6. Call On - Visit A Person(ഒരു വ്യക്തിയെ സന്ദർശിക്കുക)
7. Call At - Visit A Place(ഒരു സ്ഥലം സന്ദർശിക്കുക)
8. Carry On - Continue(തുടരുക)

9.	Carry Out	-	Perform(നിർവഹിക്കുക)
10.	Come Across	-	Meet By Chance(അവിചാരിതമായി കണ്ടെത്തുക)
11.	Come Forward	-	Present Oneself(മുന്നോട്ട് വരിക)
12.	Get Back	-	Return To A Place(തിരിച്ചെത്തുക)
13.	Get In	-	Arrive(എത്തിച്ചേരുക)
14.	Get On	-	Make Progress(മെച്ചപ്പെടുത്തുക)
15.	Get Along	-	Manage(കൈകാര്യം ചെയ്യുക)
16.	Give In	-	Surrender(കീഴടങ്ങുക)
17.	Give Up	-	Abandon(ഉപേക്ഷിക്കുക)
18.	Go By	-	Pass(കടന്നുപോവുക)
19.	Go On	-	Continue(തുടരുക)
20.	Go Through	-	Read(വായിക്കുക)
21.	Look After	-	Take Care Of(സംരക്ഷിക്കുക)
22.	Look Down As	-	Despise(അവജ്ഞയോടെ നോക്കുക)
23.	Make Out	-	Understand(മനസ്സിലാക്കുക)
24.	Make Up	-	Compensate(പരിഹരിക്കുക)
25.	Put Across	-	Communicate(ആശയ വിനിമയം നടത്തുക)
26.	Put Down	-	Suppress(അടിച്ചമർത്തുക), write (എഴുതുക)
27.	Put Forward	-	Suggest(നിർദ്ദേശിക്കുക)
28.	Put Off	-	Postpone(പിന്നീട് ഒരു അവസരത്തിലേക്ക് മാറ്റിവെക്കുക)
29.	Put Up	-	Stay, Build(തങ്ങുക)
30.	Put On	-	Wear(ധരിക്കുക)
31.	Put Out	-	Extinguish(കെടുത്തുക)
32.	Put Up With	-	Tolerate(സഹിക്കുക)
33.	Set Off	-	Start(തുടങ്ങുക)
34.	Set Out	-	Begin(തുടങ്ങുക)
35.	Take Down	-	Write(എഴുതുക)
36.	Be Taken Aback	-	Embarrassed(അമ്പരന്നു പോവുക)
37.	Turn Down	-	Reject(നിരസിക്കുക)
38.	Turn Up	-	Arrive Or Appear(എത്തിച്ചേരുക)

Replace the underlined words with the phrasal verbs given.

The boy visited his grandpa during vacation. He built a wooden platform halfway up the banyan tree. Sitting there he could participate in all the natural activities in and around. He was always surprised by the harmony that existed between the things in nature.

(set up, called on, taken aback, took part)

The snake emerged from the cactus. The mongoose attacked the snake vigorously. The mynah and the crow arrived on the spot and watched the fight from a distance. At last the snake surrendered.

(gave in, went at, came out, turned up)

Editing

From the editing section corrections from the following areas can be expected.

- Subject verb agreement
- Relative pronoun
- Tense
- Article
- Prepositions
- Punctuation
- If clause
- Conjunctions

Edit the following statement.

I sees the bird flung nearly twenty feet across a garden which after fluttering in a while, he lay still.

Answers

saw, the, where, for, it

Edit the following statement.

He had never tried to taming it, so wild mongoose was most useful as a domesticated one.

Answers

tame, because, more, than

Complete the conversation

Generally in this section the students are asked to complete with three question modes (Question Tag, WH Questions and YES/ NO questions) . Together with that if, would you mind, had better, wish, the more, too..to, so ..that..not, will be tested.

The fight is going to commence. A mongoose and a cobra face to face. What will they say?
Complete the following conversation

- Snake : _____(a)_____?
- Mongoose : I don't want to stare at you. I am going to finish you off.
- Snake : You are very funny, _____(b)_____?
- _____ (c) _____?
- Mongoose : Yes, but I have informed my family that today they will have snake curry.
- Snake : If you touch me, _____.
- Mongoose : What a fool you are? You had better _____.
- Snake : Pray ? You better do it.

Answer

- a) Why do you stare at me?
- b) aren't you?
- c) Have you informed your family that you will not return?
- d) I will bite you
- e) pray to God

The Snake And The Mirror

Vaikom Mohammed Basheer

The story relates the terrific experience a homeopath had one night. Sitting in front of the table looking at the mirror, his left hand was coiled by a snake. The terror stricken homeopath sat like a human statue. Luckily the snake had a look at the mirror and it was amused by its own beauty. The grip around the arm loosened and it settled in front of the mirror leaving homeopath. This was the moment the homeopath was looking for. He rushed out and stopped only after reaching his friend's house. The next day he came back with his friends to move the things and kill the snake. But he could find no snake. Neither could he find any of his coat, clothes and money in the suitcase. A thief entered through the opened door and stole away all his possessions except a dirty vest.

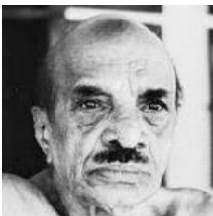
Profile

Develop a profile of Vaikom Muhammed Basheer from the hints given.

Born	:	January 21, 1908 Thalayolaparambu, Kottayam
Famous as	:	Novelist, short story writer, Freedom Fighter
Language	:	Malayalam
Known as	:	Beypore Sultan
Works	:	Balyakalasakhi, Shabdangal, Pathummayude Aadu, Mathilukal, Janmadinam.
Awards	:	Padma Shri (1982)
Died	:	July 5, 1994 (age 86)

Profile

Vaikom Muhammed Basheer [1908-1994]



The famous Malayalam novelist, short story writer and freedom fighter Vaikom Muhammed Basheer was born on 21st January 1908 at Thalayolaparambu in Kottayam District. He was known as the Beypore Sulthan. His notable works are Balyakalasakhi, Shabdangal, Pathummayude Aadu, Mathilukal, and Janmadinam. He was awarded the Padma Shri in 1982. He died in July 5, 1994 at the age of 86.

Testing Comprehension

Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

A.) 'Has a snake ever coiled itself round any part of your body? A full-blooded cobra?' All of us fell silent. The question came from the homeopath. The topic came up when we were discussing snakes. We listened attentively as the doctor continued with the tale.

It was a hot summer night about ten o' clock. I had my meal at the restaurant and returned to my room. I heard a noise from above as I opened the door. The sound was a familiar one. One could say that rats and I shared the room. I took out my box of matches and lighted the kerosene lamp on the table.

1. 'Has a snake ever coiled itself round any part of your body?' Who asked the question?
2. What were the group discussing about?
3. Pick out an instance of humour from the passage?
4. Find a sentence from the passage which depicts that the room was not electrified?
5. Find out a word from the passage which means "paying attention"?

Answers:

6. The homeopath.
7. About the snakes.
8. One could say that rats and I shared the room.
9. I took out my box of matches and lighted the kerosene lamp on the table.
10. Attentively.

Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

B.) I looked into the mirror and smiled. It was an attractive smile. I made another earth-shaking decision. I would always keep that attractive smile on my face . . . to look more handsome. I was after all a bachelor, and a doctor too on top of it!

Again came that noise from above.

I got up, lit a beedi and paced up and down the room. Then another lovely thought struck me. I would marry. I would get married to a woman doctor who had plenty of money and a good medical practice. She had to be fat; for a valid reason. If I made some silly mistake and needed to run away she should not be able to run after me and catch me!

1. Why the doctor wanted to keep that attractive smile on his face?
2. Find the sentence which tells that the doctor was a little pompous?
3. What was the lovely thought struck on the doctor?
4. What was the doctor's dream about the girl he wanted to marry?
5. I made another earth-shaking decision. Find out the sentence structure .

Answers:

1. To look more handsome.
2. I was after all a bachelor, and a doctor too on top of it.
3. He would marry.
4. She should be rich and fat having a good medical practice.
5. Subject + Verb + Complement + Object

Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

C.) The doctor replied, 'I ran and ran till I reached a friend's house. Immediately I smeared oil all over myself and took a bath. I changed into fresh clothes. The next morning at about eight-thirty I took my friend and one or two others to my room to move my things from there. But we found we had little to carry. Some thief had removed most of my things. The room had been cleaned out! But not really, the thief had left behind one thing as a final insult!'

'What was that?' I asked.

The doctor said, 'My vest, the dirty one. The fellow had such a sense of cleanliness ..! The rascal could have taken it and used it after washing it with soap and water.'

'Did you see the snake the next day, doctor?'

The doctor laughed, I've never seen it since. It was a snake which was taken with its own beauty!

1. What the doctor did immediately after reaching his friend's house?
2. Why the doctor carried his friends when he returned to his house?
3. "But we found we had little to carry." What happened in the house?
4. Why did the doctor say that the fellow had such a sense of cleanliness?
5. According to the homeopath how could the thief use the vest?

Answers:

1. He smeared oil all over himself and took a bath.
2. To move the things from the house.
3. A thief had removed most of his things.
4. The thief hadn't taken the doctor's dirty vest.
5. After washing it with soap and water

Letter

Suppose the homeopath writes a letter to his friend after his terrific experiences at night. How could it be?

Baypore
12 th May 2020

My dear friend,

Hope you are keeping fit. Here I am okay. Here I get regular patients. I am sure you also get it.

I am writing this letter to inform you about a terrifying experience I had. As you know I am staying at a rented room. It was past 10'o clock. Sitting on the wooden chair I was reading "Meterria Medica". Upon the table there was a mirror and a lighted kerosene lamp. Looking at the mirror I combed my hair. Suddenly something fell on my shoulder. To my great shock I found that it was a cobra . From my shoulder it slithered down to my left arm. It coiled around my left elbow. The hood was spread out and death was so near me. Realizing that only God alone can save me, I prayed.

Now I saw the snake looking at the mirror. I think it was the first snake who had seen its own reflection on the mirror. It slithered into my lap and from there to the table. It placed itself in front of the mirror. No doubt its beauty attracted the snake. So it sat there appreciating the beauty. This was the moment I was waiting for. I rushed out of the room and jumped into the yard. Then I ran for my life. Only after reaching my friend's house I stopped. Then I had an oily bath and I wore fresh clothes. The next day I returned to my room I found that there was nothing left in the room. A thief had entered and carried off all my belongings except my dirty vest. No doubt it was a terrible experience for me.

How is the climate there. Here its too hot. How is your father? Convey my loving regards.

Yours lovingly,
(sd/.)

Prepare a letter that you sent to the sub inspector of police complaining about the problems created by thieves in your locality.

From

Dr. Ramanathan
"Venus"
S M Street
Calicut

To

The Sub Inspector of Police
Calicut

Sir,

My self is a resident of the 23rd ward in Baypore panchayath which comes under your jurisdiction. I write the letter to bring to your attention a very serious problem we face in our locality.

Sir, to us night has become so terrific now a days. The thieves and robbers are rotating about the street always. Last day around 1 am the bolt of the front door of my house was hit with something. Luckily it didn't give way. That was not the first time we experience such things. The calling bells are rung at late hours in most of the houses. Fearing theft we never open the door.

Let me bring to your kind attention that the night patrolling in our locality isn't properly done. I request you kindly to attend the matter seriously and ensure the protection of the people satisfactorily.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully,
(sd/-)
Dr. Ramanathan
"Venus"
S M Street
Calicut

Prepare a Diary of the homeopath after his terrific experience.

Saturday

Wednesday
5 th June 2020

Oh my God, What a night!, What a miraculous escape! I thought today would be the last day in my life. After dinner I came to my room. As the night is too hot I removed my vest and took rest. I heard the familiar sounds of the rats in the room. I didn't bother about it. Heat didn't allow me to sleep. So, I sat on the chair and looked into the mirror. It took me to lots of thoughts ranging from changing my smartness and beauty to my marriage. But suddenly something have fallen on my shoulder and it started to move to my left arm. Oh! My God that was a full blooded cobra . It coiled around my arm. I sat there frozen. I couldn't shout or move because if I move it will bite me. Ho ! I couldn't even think about those moments. Its spread hood shattered all my dreams. Suddenly that happened. The snake turned its head and looked to the mirror on the table. It saw its reflection in the mirror. It unwound from my arm and crept towards the mirror through my lap. That was the moment I was praying for. I took this opportunity to run out of the room. I ran as fast as possible to my friend's house. I will never forget this incident. Even a mirror can save a doctor's life.

Conversation

Homeopath rushes to the house of his friend after his narrow escape from snake bite. Prepare his conversation with his friend.

Friend : What happened. You seem to be very upset
Homeopath : Oh! I had a narrow escape. A snake coiled round my arm.
Friend : God ! Still you are alive! Tell me what happened.
Homeopath : I was sitting in my room reading 'Materia Medica', Suddenly a snake fell down from the roof and landed on my shoulder. Then it coiled on my left arm.
Friend : Then how did you escape?
Homeopath : There was a mirror on the table and it looked at the mirror loosened its grip from my arm and settled in front of the mirror.
Friend : Og! God. The beauty of the snake must have impressed it.
Homeopath : You are right. Anyway I am lucky.
Friend : You shouldn't go to the room today. Tomorrow we shall go together.
Homeopath : Thanks a lot

How to prepare a good conversation

- Moods and emotions of characters identified
- Apt initiation
- Relevant to the context
- Variety of sentences used
- Informal expressions such as contracted forms and interjections are used
- A good flow maintained
- A feeling of completeness created

Other possible conversational discourses

Prepare a conversation between the sub inspector of police and the homeopath after the latter goes to complain about the robbery at his home.

Thought

Prepare the thought of the homeopath when he sits in front of the mirror coiled by the snake.

Oh my God! My end has come. If I made a slight movement, the snake will bite me. Is it for this I studied so much and became a doctor. If the snake bites me what should I do. What medicine should I take. Is there any medicine in homeopathy for snake bite. Even if there is one why shouldn't I keep it here in this room, a pathway for all passing creepers. What a fool I am. Infact I had thought something which God didn't like. This may be the God's punishment. Oh! God forgive me for all foolishness I thought and said.

Other possible questions

Thought of the snake seeing its reflection in the mirror

Oh! God. it's the first time I see myself. How ow nice my eyes are. When my tongue is out like a fork it creates terror among all, that's sure. With a thick moustache, I will appear to be more terrific. It's better I had a moustache. If a bit of eye shadow or mascara is applied to my eyes how shall it be. No doubt grand. If there is vermilion spot on forehead grandeur will be more. Right? Anyway whenever I get a chance I should look at mirrors. Thanks bro for keeping a mirror on the table. Where is he? Oh he has ran out Coward .

Character Sketch

Prepare a character sketch of the homeopath

The homeopath is a typical character in the story "The snake and the mirror". He is a desirable bachelor who takes pride to be a doctor. He has been living in a rented home. He has rosy hopes about his future. He wants to marry a rich doctor having a good practice. He also wants her to be fat so that he can ran and escape committing some mistakes. The homeopath is a man of great practical wisdom. When the snake was slithering around his body, he sat like a statue, without moving. When the snake crawled out of his body, he jumped out of his room. The homeopath is very beauty conscious. He looks at the mirror all the time and decides to keep a thin moustache, and a beautiful smile upon his face. He is a man with sense of humour. But he lacks cleanliness. His dirty vest proves that. In short the homeopath is very interesting character who makes us think and laugh.

Language Elements

Complete the conversation between the neighbour and the doctor

- Neighbour : Doctor, you look so terrified, _____?
Doctor : A snake coiled around my arm.
Neighbour : . _____?
Doctor : No, it didn't bite me.
Neighbour : If the snake had bitten you, _____?
Doctor : No, I wouldn't keep medicine at room.
Neighbour : You had better _____
Doctor : Yes, I decided to change the house.
Neighbour : _____?
Doctor : I will spend thousand rupees as house rent

Answers

don't you?

did it bite you?

would you have medicines at the room

shift to another house.

How much will you spend as house rent?

EDITING

Edit the following paragraph

I **takes** a close look **with** my face in the mirror, **while** made an important decision. I would **shaved** daily and grow **the** thin moustache to look **most** handsome.

Answers

Take, at, and, shave, a, more

1. Read the following passage and choose the correct phrasal verb to fill in the blanks

The doctor.....a.....telling the story. All his neighbours.....b.....their business andc.....there to listen to him. They.....d.....many questions to know more about the theft.

- (a) went on b) put aside c) turned up d) put forward

The Lines Written In The Early Spring

William Wordsworth

The poem written by the celebrated nature poet William Wordsworth is to be an eye opener for all the human beings. Sitting in a grove the poet is thrilled to see how things in nature are bound to nature . The birds , plants, the other animals ,the river ,the mountain everything was in communion with nature. But man hasn't. The poet laments over man's inhumanity to nature and mourns over " What man has made of man"

Profile

Prepare a profile of William Wordsworth using the hints given

Name	:	William Wordsworth
Birth	:	7 April 1770 Cockermouth, England
Nationality	:	English
Famous as	:	Romantic Poet
Educated	:	Hawkshead Grammar School, Cambridge University, St.John's Collage
Known as	:	Poet of nature
Major works	:	Daffodils, Lucy Gray, The Prelude
Style	:	Simple ordinary language
Achievement	:	Poet Laureate, 1843
Death	:	23 April 1850

PROFILE

William Wordsworth



The famous English romantic poet William Wordsworth was born on 7 th April 1770 at Cockermouth in England. He was educated at Hawkshead Grammar School, Cambridge University and St.John's Collage. He is known as the poet of nature. His major works are Daffodils, Lucy Gray and The Prelude. He writes in simple ordinary language. He became the Poet Laureate in 1843. He died in 23 rd April 1850.

Testing Comprehension

Read the lines from the poem "Lines Written in Early Spring" and answer the questions that follow.

The budding twigs spread out their fan,
To catch the breezy air;
And I must think, do all I can,
That there was pleasure there.

If this belief from heaven be sent,
If such be Nature's holy plan,
Have I not reason to lament
What man has made of man?

1. How the budding twigs catch the breezy air?
2. What does the poet think about?
3. Pick out an instance of alliteration from these lines?
4. Find out the rhyme scheme of the first stanza?
5. What do you mean by holy plan of nature?

Answers:

1. By spreading out their fan.
2. There is pleasure in whatever is done by the nature.
3. What man has made of man.
4. abab
5. Everything in nature should live in harmony with one another.

Read the lines from the poem “Lines Written in Early Spring” and answer the questions that follow.

To her fair works did Nature link
The human soul that through me ran;
And much it grieved my heart to think
What man has made of man.

Through primrose tufts, in that green bower,
The periwinkle trailed its wreaths;
And 'tis my faith that every flower
Enjoys the air it breathes.

1. What is ‘her fair works’ mentioned in the poem?
2. Which line in the poem states that the poet was not happy?
3. What is the faith of the poet?
4. Name the two flowers mentioned in the poem?
5. Pick out a pair of rhyming word from the poem.

Answers:

1. The beautiful creations of the nature.
2. And much it grieved my heart to think ...
3. Every flower enjoys the air it breathes
4. Periwinkle and Primrose.
5. Link- think

Appreciation

Prepare a critical appreciation of the poem **Lines Written in Early Spring** Commenting on the theme, poetic crafts and other devices of appreciation used.

William Wordsworth is the greatest romantic poet ever lived in the world. He was remembered as nature’s high priest. This poem is a ballad included in the preface to “Lyrical Ballads”. The poem is a reflection of Wordsworth’s appreciation of nature and his concern over man’s cruelty to nature.

Sitting in a wood land grove, the speaker feels greatly relieved. The beauty of nature around fills his mind with happy thoughts. But at the same time human atrocities

on nature, make him sad. Nature like God links human soul to herself. The poet finds great delight in the periwinkle in the green bower. He firmly believes that every flower enjoys the air that breathes. Looking at the birds around him hopping and playing, the poet thinks about the immeasurable thrill of pleasure that they feel. The budding twigs spread around and try to touch the breezy air. The poet feels that it is the nature's holy plan to live in communion with nature. The man has to understand that nature is his home and only the home. But when the man deviates from the holy plan, man is doing in justice to himself.

The poem is rich in images. "The birds around me hopped and played", "primrose and periwinkle and budding twigs" are examples of visual image. "I heard a thousand blended notes" is an example of Hyperbole. "To her fair works did nature link" "Enjoys the air it breathes", "to catch the breezy air" are examples of personification. In "What man has made of man?" and "tis my faith that every flower" are examples of alliteration.

What makes a good appreciation

- The poem and the poet introduced
- The content and theme of the poem or lines presented
- Poetic craft and other appreciational features discussed
- Contemporary relevance or comments rendered out

II

Project Tiger

Synopsis

Its a memoir by the versatile Indian film maker Sathyajith Ray. The extract describes how animals are shoot in films. Ray describes a memorable experience he had while shooting with a tiger .

Profile

Prepare a profile of Satyajit Ray using the hints below.

Name	:	Satyajit Ray
Born	:	02 May 1921,Calcutta
Famous as	:	Indian Film Maker,Writer,producer ,screenwriter
Academics	:	Viswa Bharathy University, Presidency University Awards Academy Award,Bharat Ratna
Died	:	April 23, 1992Calcutta

PROFILE

Satyajit Ray[1921-1992]



Satyajit Ray, the legendary Indian film maker who brought Indian films to universal recognition, was born on 02May,1921 in Calcutta. He is famous as an acclaimed film maker, writer, producer, screenwriter. He was educated from Viswa Bharathi and Presidency Universities.He has won many Laurels such as Bharat Ratna and Academy Award. We lost him on 23 April, 1992 in Calcutta.

Testing Comprehension

Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

I realised how reverently these animal-actors were treated when I happened to see the shooting of a film twenty years ago in Disney Studio in Hollywood. The main character in this film was a large dog. I reached the studio to find that the shooting had not yet started; the camera man was getting the lights ready. It is customary for actors to be present when the lights are arranged, for they have to show the cameraman how they'll walk, or where they'll stand, in a particular shot. In the case of very famous stars, this job is done by their stand-ins. A stand-in is usually a person who is physically similar to the real star. The stars themselves arrive only when the lights are ready and it is time to take a shot.

1. Name the film industry mentioned in the passage?
2. When Ray reached the studio, what was the camera man doing?
3. What was customary for actors in film industry?
4. Who is a stand-in?
5. Find out a word from the passage which means ‘showing respect’?

Answers:

1. Hollywood
2. The camera man was getting the lights ready.
3. It is customary for actors to be present when the lights are arranged
4. A stand-in is usually a person who is physically similar to the real star.
5. Reverently

Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

Every animal in a Hollywood film is well-trained. It is not difficult to train a horse or a dog. But have you ever heard of trained ravens? Not just one or two, but nearly a hundred of them? Even this was made possible in Hollywood, when the creator of some of the best suspense films in the history of cinema, Alfred Hitchcock, decided to make a film called *Birds*. In the story, birds from all over the world start attacking humans. Hitchcock needed a variety of birds, but what was required in the largest number was ravens. Notices were placed in the press all over the United States, asking people to contact the film maker if they knew how to get hold of trained ravens.

2. What is the speciality about animals in Hollywood films?
3. Name the film director mentioned in the passage?
4. What was the plot of the movie ‘birds’?
5. Which kind of bird that Hitchcock wanted more?
6. Hitchcock needed a variety of birds.

Now rewrite the sentence

A variety of birds _____ .

Answers:

1. Every animal in Hollywood films is well-trained.
2. Alfred Hitchcock.
3. Birds from all over the world start attacking humans.
4. Ravens
5. A variety of birds was needed by Hitchcock.

Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

Having thought of the scene, I simply had to shoot it. But where were we going to find a tiger? The obvious thing to do was to look in a circus since they were likely to have trained animals. As a matter of fact, one called Bharat Circus was visiting Calcutta at the time, holding shows in Marcus Square. We sent someone to make an appointment with its

Tamil manager and then went to meet him one morning. He greeted us warmly and ordered South Indian coffee for us. The manager heard the reason for our visit, then sent for one Mr Thorat. He turned out to be the ringmaster. He, too, was a South Indian, very well built, with features somewhat like those of a Nepali. He was perhaps no more than forty. He showed us an old scar on his forearm, which had been caused by a tiger.

1. Why Ray had decided to visit a circus ring?
2. Where was Bharat circus holding their shows?
3. Find out the sentence which shows the warm welcome given by Bharat circus?
4. Write the phrasal verb from the passage which means “happened to be”?
5. The manager heard the reason for our visit. Find out the verb phrase.

Answers:

1. To get a trained tiger.
2. At Marcus Square in Calcutta.
3. He greeted us warmly and ordered South Indian coffee for us.
4. Turned out
5. ‘heard the reason for our visit.’

Read the paragraph and answer the following questions.

Having thought of the scene, I simply had to shoot it. But where were we going to find a tiger? The obvious thing to do was to look in a circus since they were likely to have trained animals. As a matter of fact, one called Bharat Circus was visiting Calcutta at the time, holding shows in Marcus Square. We sent someone to make an appointment with its Tamil manager and then went to meet him one morning. He greeted us warmly and ordered South Indian coffee for us. The manager heard the reason for our visit, then sent for one Mr Thorat. He turned out to be the ringmaster. He, too, was a South Indian, very well built, with features somewhat like those of a Nepali. He was perhaps no more than forty. He showed us an old scar on his forearm, which had been caused by a tiger.

- 1) What was the problem Ray faced in shooting?
- 2) Where was the circus held ?
- 3) What kind of a man was the circus manager ?.
- 4) Pick out the word from the paragraph which means 'mark of a wound'.
- 5) The manager offered them South Indian coffee. Rewrite the sentences beginning with South Indian coffee.
- 6) How is the ring master Mr Thorat described?

Answers

1. Finding a tiger.
2. At Marcus Square
3. Very friendly and hospitable.
4. Scar.
5. South Indian coffee was offered to them by the manager.
6. The ring master

Notice

Imagine that you are the Secretary of the English Club of your school. It has decided to conduct a one -day film festival. Draft a notice to be put up on the notice board.

English Club NS GHS, Mannar NOTICE Film Festival

Dear friends,

Films are mirrors turned to the society. It is so important to see, enjoy and appreciate good films. With this view,it has been decided to conduct a Film Festival on Monday,27 July 2018 from 10.00 a.m. onwards in the school auditorium. Sri. Kamal, the honourable chairman of KSFDC has kindly consented to inaugurate the festival.

Celluloid classics such as “ The Children of Heaven, Birds, The Kid and Pather Panchali” will be screened.

All are welcome.

Sd/-

Secretary

Aswathi

Mannar

16 July 2020

Programme

NSGHS Mannar	:	27 th July,2020
Prayer	:	School Choir
10.am	Welcome Speech	: Kumari. Reenu (school Leader)
10.10 am	Presidential Address	: Smt. Preethakumari T.(H.M)
10.20 am	Festival Inauguration	: Sri. Kamal, Honourable chairman of KSFDC
10.45am	Felicitations	: 1. Sri Rajan(PTA President) 2. Sri Mathew M J (Staff Secretary)
11.00am	Vote of thanks	: Kum. Bhavan Rajesh (School Chairperson)
11.05am	:	Screening of films.

Letter

Prepare the letter Satyajit Ray writes to Animal Welfare Board for getting permission to use a tiger in shooting.

From

Flat No.14
Vasanth Vihar
Marcus Square
Calcutta
05 Feb 1967

To

The Chairman
Animal Welfare Board of India
New Delhi.

Dear Sir,

Re: Getting permission for using a tiger in a film shooting.

I am Satyajit Ray, a film director from Calcutta. As part of my second film "Goopy Gyne Bagha Byne", I need a tiger to be screened. I have already arranged with the Bharat Circus company to get a tiger with its trainer. I know the rules of Animal Welfare Board connected with treating animals. I assure you that my crew will follow those rules strictly and will not do anything harmful to the tiger.

I will be obliged and grateful to you, if you kindly grant me permission to shoot.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(Sd/-)

Satyajit Ray.

Write Up

Prepare a write-up on the stress and strain of film making using animals" in the light of the article 'The project Tiger' by Satyajit Ray.

Film making using animals is a Herculean task. Satyajit Ray took great effort to include animals in his film. He wanted a tiger for his new film "Goopy Gyne Bagha Byne". So, he called on the manager of Bharath circus who agreed to send a tiger with the ringmaster, Mr. Thorat. The shoot was at Notun Gram. The ring master brought two tigers. For safety purpose, a thin but strong

wire was attached to the tiger's neck and the other end was tied to the iron rod fixed on the earth.

When the tiger was released from the cage, it tried to pounce on the crowd gathered there. Suddenly the crowd vanished from the scene. It was so difficult to control the tiger and the effort was very tiring. After a long time, when the tiger calmed down, a few shots were taken. But later it was found that due to poor visual quality, the shoot was a waste. So it was decided to re-shoot.

This time the location was at Boral, near

Calcutta. Once again, Mr.Thorat came with the tigers. The wire fixed. When the door of the cage was opened, with a loud roar the tiger leapt out. This time too, the crowd dissolve to distance. The tiger quietened itself so quickly and Ray could shoot the scene without much fuss. The extract describes how laborious it is to shoot scene involving animals. But rarely do we realise it.

Newspaper Report

Draft a newspaper report about the unsuccessful shooting experience at Notun Gram.

A Tiger Leap Shatters Shoot

Notun Gram: Oct 14. The villagers here were offered a free spectacular show by a tiger from Bharath circus yesterday. It was brought for the shooting of the film "Goopy Gyne Bagha Byne" by the famous director Satyajity Ray. The tiger kept in a cage was supposed to come out and walk very calmly before the camera. But when the shooting started, Mr.Thorat, the trainer opened the cage and it sprang out. Excited at the sudden release, it began leaping, jumping and rolling about. The crowd, assembled there were provided with a rare chance to watch that special circus. As the tiger had been tied with a thin wire to an iron rod, there was no untoward incidents.

After a long time, the tiger calmed down, but due to poor visibility, the shots were not properly taken. The disgusted director, Satyajit Ray said that he was planning to change the location.

Questionnaire

Imagine many bird trainers responded to the advertisement placed by Alfred Hitchcock in newspapers. One of them didn't want any remuneration but wanted a chance to act in the film. Hitchcock invited him and interviewed. Prepare six likely questions.

1. Where are you from?
2. How many varieties of birds do you have?
3. How long have you been in the field of bird training?
4. Where did you officially train the birds?
5. What made you decide not to accept any remuneration?
6. Have you got any previous experience in acting?

Language Elements

Word Pyramid

Noun	Batsman
Determiner + Noun	The batsman
Determiner + adjective + Noun	The stylish batsman
Determiner + adjective + Noun + Relative Clause	The stylish batsman who bats
Determiner + adjective + Noun + Relative Clause + Prepositional Phrase	The stylish batsman who bats for a long time

Reported Speech

Thorat : How long do you need the tiger for?
Ray : I need it for a couple of hours.

What did Thorat ask Ray?

What did Ray reply?

Mr Thorat asked Ray how long he needed the tiger.

Ray replied that he needed it for about a couple of hours

Manager : How many days do you need a tiger?

Ray : I want it for two days

What did manager ask Ray?

What was Ray's reply?

The manager asked Ray how many days did he need a tiger.

Rat replied that he wanted it for two days

Ray : Will it attack any of my actors?

Thorat : It will not attack anyone.

What did Ray ask?

What was Thorat's reply?

Ray asked Thorat whether it would attack any of his actors.

Thorat replied that it would not attack anyone.

Ray : Where is the tiger?

Manager : It is in the cage. I will tell Mr. Thorat to take you there.

Ray asked manager where the tiger was.

The manager replied that it was in the cage and added that he would tell Mr. Thorat to take him there.

Akbar : Why did you spill these vegetables?

Ali : My sister's shoes have disappeared.

Akbar asked Ali why he had spilled these vegetables.

Ali replied that his sister's shoes had disappeared.

Sentence Pattern

- a) Mr Thorat gave Ray two tigers(S+V+O+O)
- b) They painted the cage yellow(S+V+O+C)
- c) Ray placed the camera on the tripod. (S+V+O+Adv.)

Now , make three similar sentences

- a) Teacher told us two stories.
- b) We found the house empty.
- c) She drinks coffee everyday

Analyse the following sentences

- a) Raju brought a ball and we played all afternoon
- b) The room was warm but dark
- c) The tourists wandered about in the garden and plucked flowers

In the first sentence two sentences are combined using the linker 'and'.

In the second sentence two adjectives are linked using 'but'.

In the third two verb phrases are linked using 'and'.

Frame three sentences of your own, using 'and' and 'but' in the same pattern.

My Mother made soup and I drank it (Two sentences are combined using 'and')

The movie was lengthy but interesting(Two adjectives are combined using 'but')

The teacher and the children went to the park (Two nouns are combined using 'and')

Phrasal verbs

Satyajit Ray decided to **postpone (a)** his shooting programme. Thorat could not **tolerate (b)** wasting time. He **suggested (c)** an idea. He told Ray to shoot the scene from a new location near the circus camp. The shooting **continued (d)** smoothly in the new location.

Answers

(a. put off, b. put up with, c. put across, d. went on)

Edit the following conditionals

1. If Mr.Thorat had been sensible, he will lock the door before going out.
2. If Maria lacks confidence, she would not have participated in the elocution contest.
3. If the boys practised regularly, they will not perform so badly.
4. If I had known that they were in trouble, I will help them.
5. If she asks more politely,I would have lent her a few pounds.
6. If we hadn't cancelled the tickets, we will be killed in the crash.
7. If the weather had been warmer,the birds will not migrate.
8. If Rahul informed his parents, they would have bailed him out.
9. If you are careful, you would not have broken the vases.
10. If I were Zahra, I will inform father of my shoe-loss

Answers

1. If she had been sensible, she would have locked the door before going out.
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Cloze Type

1. Satyajit Ray/ an Indian Bengali film maker / is widely regarded as one of the greatest / of the 20th century. Ray was born / the city of Calcutta into a Bengali family prominent in the world of arts and literature. He started his career as a commercial artist/was drawn into independent film making / meeting French film maker Jean Renor.

(was, who, film makers, in, but, after)

2. A small group /(a) men are waiting in a queue outside /(b) bakery to buy nan. The outline of buildings /(c) the street is seen in the distance. Ali is seen coming out /(d) the bakery into the footpath, the parcel of nan in his right hand and the parcel of shoes in the left.

(of, the, into, of)

3. Project Tiger' is/ (a)extract from Childhood Days', a memoir by the renowned film maker Satyajit Ray. The memoir clearly reveals the stress/ (b) strain involved in the process of film making. It tells us how he managed/ (c) shoot the scene of a film which included a tiger. Ray begins his article/ (d) paying his tribute to the Hollywood film maker Alfred Hitchcock who had a high regard for animal actors.

(a) an, (b) and, (c) to, (d) by

III

The Best Investment I Ever Made

Synopsis

It is an anecdote by the world's one of the best story tellers A J Cronin. The story details how a simple investment by Cronin had upturned the life of an individual and led him through the virtuous path. Through the story he gives a strong message to the younger generation to keep away from drugs and narcotics.

Profile

Write a short profile of A J Cronin using the details given below.

Name	:	Archibald Joseph Cronin
Born	:	19 July 1896 Cardross, Scotland
Nationality	:	Scotland
Education	:	MD from University of Glasgow
Spouse	:	Agnes (A medical student)
Famous as	:	Physician, Novelist
Great works	:	The Citadel, Hitlers Castle.
Honours	:	National Book Award (US), 1937
Special Interest	:	Travelling
Death	:	1981 Switzerland

PROFILE

A J CRONIN [1896-1981]



The famous Scottish physician and novelist Archibald Joseph Cronin was born on 19 th July 1896 at Cardross in Scotland. He was educated at University of Glasgow. His wife Agnes was a medical student. His famous works are The Citadel and Hitlers Castle. He won National Book Award of US in 1937. He had a special interest in travelling. He died in 1981 at Switzerland.

Read the paragraph given below and answer the questions that follow.

The sergeant, at considerable risk to his job, resolved to make no report upon the case, so that no court proceedings would result. The landlady offered a month's free board until he should get upon his feet again. While I, making perhaps the least contribution, came forward with seven pounds ten shillings for him to put back in the office safe.

- 1)What was the risk undertaken by the sergeant?
- 2)What was the offer of the landlady?
- 3)Why does the narrator call his contribution 'the least one'?
- 4)Pick out a word from the passage which means 'found a solution for the problem'

Answers:

1. The sergeant resolved to make no report upon the case to avoid court proceedings.
2. To make a month's free board until he should get upon his feet again.
3. Because it was a silly sum of seven pounds ten shillings.
4. Resolved

Testing Comprehension

Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

On the following forenoon, I again observed my fellow voyager watching me earnestly from his deck chair. Now a lady was with him, obviously his wife. The situation by this time had begun to intrigue me. I discovered from my steward that they were Mr and Mrs John S_ from a small suburb of London. When another day passed without event, I began to feel certain that Mr S_ would remain too shy to carry out his obvious desire to approach me. However, on our final evening at sea Mrs S_ decided the matter. With a firm pressure on his hand and a whispered word in his ear, she urged her husband towards me as I passed along the deck.

1. From where did the fellow voyager watched the narrator?
2. Pick out the statement which shows curiosity of the narrator?
3. Is Mrs S_ give confidence to her husband? Find out the sentence which justifies your argument?
4. When Mrs S_ decided to meet the narrator?
5. Find out the word from the passage which means 'clear'?

Answers:

1. From deck chair
2. The situation by this time had begun to intrigue me.
3. Yes. With a firm pressure on his hand and a whispered word in his ear, she urged her husband towards me
4. On final evening at sea.
5. Obvious

Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

As he regained his strength, he told us his story. His parents were dead. An uncle had found him a position as clerk in a London solicitor's office. He had been in the city only six months. Utterly friendless, he had fallen victim to the loose society of the streets, had made bad companions and like a young fool, eager to taste pleasure far beyond his means, had begun to bet on horses. Soon he had lost all his small savings, had pledged his belongings and owed the book-maker a disastrous amount. In an effort to recoup, he had taken a sum of money from the office safe for a final gamble that, he was assured, was certain to win. But this last resort had failed. Terrified of the prosecution that must follow, sick at heart, sunk in despair, he had shut himself in his room and turned on the gas.

1. Why did his uncle send him to a solicitor's office?
2. Soon he had lost all his small savings. What happened to him?
3. Why did he take money from the office safe?
4. Why did he decided to commit suicide?
5. Find out the word from the passage which means 'to recover'?

Answer:

1. As his parents were dead, his uncle sent him to a solicitor's office.
2. He had begun to bet on horses.
3. For a final gambling.
4. Terrified of the prosecution that must follow.
5. Recoup.

Read the paragraph carefully and answer the questions that follows -The Best Investment I Ever Made

The sergeant, at considerable risk to his job, resolved to make no report upon the case, so that no court proceedings would result. The landlady offered a month's free board until he should get upon his feet again. While I, making perhaps the least contribution, came forward with seven pounds ten shillings for him to put back in the office safe.

- a. What was the risk undertaken by the sergeant?
- b. What was the offer of the landlady?
- c. Why does the narrator call his contribution 'the least one'?
- d. Pick out a word from the passage which means 'found a solution for the problem'

Answers

- a) The sergeant resolved to make no report upon the case to avoid court proceedings.
- b) The landlady offered a month's free board until he should get upon his feet again.
- c) Because it was a silly sum of seven pounds ten shillings.
- d) Resolved

Diary

AJ Cronin is back at home. The thoughts about Johns was still lingering in his mind. He took his diary and puts his thought about Johns. Prepare the likely Diary.

Day, Date, Time

An unusual experience!! I am very much excited! Some meetings are often strange ... But what about a meeting after 25 years?? While walking on the promenade deck, I saw a strange person casting secret looks at me, I never thought it was the young man who had been saved from the grips of death before 25 years. His intense look irritated me at first, but later I could understand that he had something to reveal to me.

Compelled by his wife he came to me and asked me "Doctor, I wonder if I might introduce myself". Yet I could not figure him out. Later he revealed his story, it was none other than Mr. Johns, the young man brought back from death. That incident changed his life a lot. Now besides being a Lawyer, he is the director of a charitable organization. The organization is devoted to the care of boys and girls, mostly from city slums. He has rewarded me with such a marvellous life. I think this transformation is the best investment I ever made in my life. Thank God...

Character Sketch

Sketch the character of Mr. Johns

Mr. Johns is the protagonist of the anecdote 'The Best Investment I Ever Made'.by A J Cronin. Mr. Johns was a man in his early 40s. He was rather short in build with a fair complexion and clear blue eyes. His thin hair had begun to recede from his forehead. His suit, tie and rimless spectacles gave evidence of a serious and reserved disposition. He was a man with a past. When his parents were dead an uncle found him a position as clerk in a London lawyer's office. Utterly friendless, he fell in bad company eager to taste pleasure, he began to bet on horses. It was far beyond his means. Within no time he lost all his savings. He pledged his belongings, owed a disastrous amount. To recoup his loss, he took a sum of money from the office safe for a final game. This attempt too failed. Sunk in despair, he shut himself in his room and turned on the gas. The timely intervention of the land lady, the sergeant and the doctor brought him back to life. This incident was eye opener to him. Now, besides being a Lawyer, he is the director of a charitable organization. The organization is devoted to the care of boys and girls, mostly from city slums. The doctor gave him a new life and in turn he gives the same to thousands.

Thought

Cronin felt upset when he saw the man watching him closely. Prepare Cronin's thought.

What a man! He has been staring at me for long. Who is he? I don't remember to have seen him. Is he one of my patients? Why is he not coming to me? Should I ask him now? No I don't want to talk to strangers. I am very tired, I need rest. I am not interested in casual shipboard contacts. He looks serious and reserved but I think he is shy.

Narrative

Narrate the story The Best Investment I Ever Made in the third person point of view.

It was the second day of the narrator's voyage. Suddenly he became aware that one of the passengers was watching him closely. He discovered from his steward that they were Mr and Mrs Johns from London. On the next day pressurized by his wife, he met the narrator. The narrator couldn't identify him. Haltingly he told him that they had been on a visit to America. They had been on a tour to the New England states inspecting the summer recreational camps for the young people. They had visited settlement houses to study the methods employed in dealing with cases of maladjusted youths. Questioning him further, the narrator learned that Mr and Mrs Johns had been active for the past fifteen years in the field of youth welfare. Besides being a solicitor, Mr Johns was the director of a charitable organization devoted to the care of youths who had fallen under the ban of law.

To the question, " what had directed his life in to this channel? " Mr John could understand that the doctor hadn't realised him. So he began to reveal his past. When his parents were dead an uncle found Mr. Johns a position as clerk in a London lawyer's office. Utterly friendless, he fell in bad company eager to taste pleasure, he began to bet on horses. It was far beyond his means.

Within no time he lost all his savings. He pledged his belongings, owed a disastrous amount. To recoup his loss, he took a sum of money from the office safe for a final game. This attempt too failed.

Terrified of the prosecution, sunk in despair he shut himself in his room and turned on the gas. The timely intervention of the landlady, the sergeant and the doctor brought him back to life. The sergeant resolved to make no report upon the case, the landlady offered a month's free boarding and the doctor made the least contribution of seven pounds ten shillings for him to put back in the office safe.

Speech

Your class is organising an awareness on anti drug day. Prepare a speech

Respected chair, other dignitaries and my dear friends,

You know the importance of today. Today is "World Anti Drugs Day". We all know that one of the greatest threats the modern world faces is addiction to drugs and narcotics. 30% of the total population in the world are in between 15-35. It's an alarming fact that more than 7% among them are used to drugs.

Our schools and colleges have become feeding grounds for drugs and narcotics. So many students have become either users or agents of drugs. Its a very dangerous situation. Drugs have become very common today. There are different types of drugs such as cocaine, opium, hashish, LSD etc. They can be smoked, chewed or injected. Of course drugs give you a pleasure but its a momentary pleasure. No drug can save us or solve your problems. Problems remain the same. Have you ever thought about the after effects of drugs. It kills everything in you. Your intelligence, reasoning, imagination and physic everything is affected by drugs.

Our youngsters take drugs for time pass. But later they become addicted to that. You begin the drug out of curiosity. It kills everything in you. Later it becomes unavoidable. So, my dear friends don't use drugs at any situation. Reject it at the first attempt.

Prepare slogans against Drug addiction

Drug - the silent killer

Reject the drug at the first instance. Otherwise it will finish you offensive.

Clean the campus from drugs.

Drugs kills intelligence, imagination, and reasoning.

Drug is not the answer. It just make you forget the question.

Prepare a newspaper report of the awareness program on drug addiction conducted at your school.

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON DRUG ADDICTION

AT GOVT. LPS MANIYUR

October 31 : An awareness programme on Drug Addiction was conducted at Maniyur LP School under the auspices of the school health club on 30th October at 10.00 am in the school auditorium. The programme started with the prayer sung by school choir. Kumari. Prathibha the school leader welcomed the gathering. In his presidential address Sri. Balakrishnan the panchayat president said that drugs are silent killers. Sri. Rishi Raj Singh the excise commissioner inaugurated the programme. He said that the best way to avoid drug is to reject it at the first attempt. The PTA president, the ward member and the school headmaster felicitated in the junction. The awareness class was taken by Dr. Radhakrishnan the DMO. The vote of thanks was rendered by Kumari. Lekshmi , school chairperson. The programme ended with the National Anthem by the choir.

Write-up

“This is the best investment I ever made”, Why does Cronin say like that?

“The best Investment I ever made” is based on a real incident. It tells us how Cronin had helped a drug addicted youth 25 years ago. The boy had cost all his money by putting it on gambling. He even stole seven pounds and ten shillings and lost that too. Fearing prosecution he turned on the cooking gas to commit suicide. It was Cronin who bought him back to life as a doctor. He also gave him the money to put back. All this happened before twenty five years. Now Cronin saw him again on a ship deck. He has now become a solicitor and the director of a charitable organisation. He visited settlement houses and juvenile homes to consult, comfort, counsel the maladjusted backwards and delinquent youth. Twenty Five years ago Cronin changed the life of a young man with ten schillings and seven pounds. Now he changes the lives of many. That’s why Cronin said that “This is the best investment I ever made in my life”

The circumstances that led to the suicidal attempt of Mr. Johns

When his parents were dead an uncle found Mr. Johns a position as clerk in a London lawyer’s office. Utterly friendless, he fell in bad company eager to taste pleasure, he began to bet on horses. It was far beyond his means. Within no time he lost all his savings. He pledged his belongings, owed a disastrous amount. To recoup his loss, he took a sum of money from the office safe for a final game. This attempt too failed. Terrified of the prosecution, sunk in despair he shut himself in his room and turned on the gas. The timely intervention of the land lady, the sergeant and the doctor brought him back to life.

Write a paragraph about the work done by Johns as the head of a charitable organization

Mr. Johns is the director of a charitable organization. The organization is devoted to the care of boys and girls mostly from city slums who had fallen under the ban of law. He and his wife had been active for the past 15 years in the field of youth welfare. They took derelict

adolescents from the juvenile court, placing them in a healthy environment, healed them in mind and body and sent them back in to the world. They were given training in a useful handicrafts which made them live in the society as a better individual. It was a work of redemption. But the doctor had done to him was given to thousands.

Conversation between Cronin and Mr.Johns on the ship deck

- Mr.John S : Excuse me sir, Can you spare a few minute with me?
Cronin : Of course, Why not?
Mr.John S : For the last two days. I have been trying to talk with you. But never got the opportunity.
Cronin : Can you tell me who you are?
Mr.John S : Sir I'm a solicitor and also the director of a charitable organisation
Cronin : Is it? That is very good of you.
Mr.John S : Sir, I visit juvenile homes, settlement houses and slums to consult, comfort, counsel the backwards, maladjusted, delinquent youth.
Cronin : How did you happen to come to this field?
Mr.John S : Sir, don't you remember me still?
Cronin : Sorry. I don't.
Mr.John S : Whatever I become in life it is because of you.
Cronin : Now I remember you.

Diary

Diary of Cronin on the day he saved John S

An Unforgeable Day

I went to sleep early too tired I was. It was a foggy night. Awakened by loud knocking on the door. A police sergeant outside- went with him to attend a suicide case- It was in a lady's house which she had rented to a young man-he lay on the bed as if dead-clearly he had taken in cooking gas – with the help of the sergeant I laboured for two hours- At last I could bring him back to life- sitting upon the bed he told me his story- He was an orphan, his uncle had arranged him a job at the labours office. But soon he fell into bad companies- he became a drug addict and gambler. Thus he lost everything. As a final gamble he stole seven pounds and ten shillings from the office safe and put it in a bet. He lost that too. Fearing prosecution he turned on the gas and tried to commit suicide. Hearing the story we decided to help him. The landlady offered him free boarding for a month. The sergeant agreed not to report the case. I gave him seven pounds and ten shillings- that he has stolen from safe, to put back.

Questionnaire

Suppose Johns comes to your school as a part of Anti Drug campaign . Prepare five questions to interview him.

1. Sir, you have made great contributions in the battle against drugs. Can you please say who initiated you into this field?
2. What are your future plans to save the youngsters from the influence of drugs?
3. How supportive is your family to your endeavours?
4. What is your advice to young people in the country?
5. Sir, Have you fully satisfied with your current service? Why?

Notice

Your class is conducting an awareness program against drug addiction. Prepare a notice.

Notice **Awareness Programme**

Dear friends,

We know that drugs are silent killers. They kill our intelligence, imagination and reasoning. The only solution to escape from drugs is to refuse it at the first attempt. It is decided to conduct an awareness programme against drugs under the auspices of the school health club on 30 th October 2020 at 10 .00 am in our school auditorium. The honourable excise commissioner Sri. Rishi Raj Singh has consented to inaugurate the programme. Your presence is invited.

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15th October 2020

Convener
(sd/-)

PROGRAMME

October 30 2020
School Auditorium

10.00 am	:	Prayer (School Choir)
10.05 am	:	Welcome Kumari Prathibha-School leader
10:15	:	Presidential Address Sri. Balakrishnan-Panchayath President
10:30	:	Inauguration Sri. Rishi Raj Singh The excise commissioner
11:00	:	Felicitations 1. PTA President Sri.Sasikumar 2. Ward Member Smt. R.Reshma 3. Headmaster Smt. Sheeba Varghese
11:20	:	Awareness Class Dr.Radhakrishnan DMO Alappuzha
12:15	:	Vote of Thanks Kumari. Lekshmi School Chairperson
	:	National Anthem

The Ballad of Father Gilligan

Profile

Prepare a profile of W.B. Yeats using the hints given below. Use appropriate linkers, wherever necessary.

Name	:	William Butler Yeats
Birth	:	June 13, 1865, Sandymount, Republic of Ireland
Spouse	:	Georgiana Hyde Lees
Renowned as	:	Poet, dramatist, senator, founder of Abbey Theatre
Major works	:	Celtic Twilight, The Tower, A Vision, The Winding Stair
Key traits	:	Symbolism, allusive imagery
Awards	:	Nobel Prize in Literature, December, 1923
Death	:	January 28, 1939

PROFILE

William Butler Yeats [1865-1939]



The famous Irish poet, dramatist, senator and founder of Abbey Theatre W B Yeats was born on 13 th June 1865 at Sandymouth in Republic of Ireland. The name of his spouse is Georgiana Hyde Lees. His major works are Celtic Twilight, The Tower, A Vision and The Winding Stair. Symbolism and allusive imagery are his key traits. He got Nobel prize in Literature in December 1923. He died on 28 th January in 1939.

Testing Comprehension

Read the lines from the poem “The Ballad of Father Gilligan” and answer the questions that follow.

'I have no rest, nor joy, nor peace,
For people die and die;
And after cried he, 'God forgive!
My body spake not I!'

He knelt, and leaning on the chair
He prayed and fell asleep;
And the moth-hour went from the fields,
And stars began to peep.

1. What was the complaint of Father Gilligan?
2. What prevented Father Gilligan from performing his duties?
3. Which line of the poem says that night has arrived?
4. Pick out 'visual image' from the poem.
5. Find out an instance of alliteration from the poem.

Answers:

1. He has no rest no joy and no peace.
2. His tired body prevented him from performing his duties.
3. And stars began to peep.
4. stars began to peep
5. I have no rest, nor joy, nor peace

Read the lines from the poem “The Ballad of Father Gilligan” and answer the questions that follow.

'When you were gone, he turned and died,
As merry as a bird.'
The old priest Peter Gilligan
He knelt him at that word.

'He Who hath made the night of stars
For souls who tire and bleed,
Sent one of this great angels down,
To help me in my need.

1. Why did Father Gilligan knelt?
2. How did God save Gilligan from his severe crisis?
3. Pick out an instance of simile from the given lines?
4. For whom God had made the night of stars?
5. Find out the rhyme scheme of second stanza?

Answers:

1. When he realised that the God had saved him from a crisis.
2. God sent one of his angels to help father Gilligan.
3. As merry as a bird.
4. For the souls who are in grief.
5. abcb

Appreciation

Write an appreciation of the poem ‘The Ballad of Father Gilligan’

The Ballad of Father Gilligan is a story poem by William Butler Yeats, the very popular Irish poet. In this poem the poet presents the glorification of the God.

Father Peter Gilligan was a village priest. A dangerous Epidemic had spread in the village. Half of the people were either dead or dying. One evening father Gilligan was resting on a chair, completely tired. Suddenly a poor dying man had sent for him. But Father was so tired that he couldn't move . So he asked for God's forgiveness. He prayed God that his body didn't allow him to move. He fell back and slept. In the morning Gilligan woke up fresh. He

feared that the man might have died while he was resting on the chair. Gilligan felt it was a dereliction of duty. He roused his horse from its sleep and rode with little care through the rocky lanes and fens. The sick man's wife opened the door and asked "Father you come again". She told him that her husband was dead just after Father Gilligan had gone. She also said that he was as merry as a bird at the time of death. He realized everything. The merciful God had sent one of his angels down to the earth to attend the dying man. The angel had come in disguise of Father Gilligan and did his duties in his absence. Thus God the controller of universe had pity on the most unimportant thing, Peter Gilligan asleep on the chair.

It's a pastoral poem. It's full of imagination. The visual images are 'green sods', 'rocky lane' and 'fens'. The auditory images are the chirping of sparrow, leaves shook in the winds etc. The rhyming words are day-lay, eve-grieve, die-I, Asleep-peep, More-floor. The rhyming scheme is abcb. 'As merry as a bird' is an example for simile. The flock of sheep is an example of personification. In short the poem tells us how great the God is and 'at the same time how kind he is'.

Video Links [Victers Classes]

UNIT 1 ADVENTURES IN A BANYAN TREE



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English class 01
Adventures of Banyan tree



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English class 02
Adventures of Banyan tree



KITE VICTERS STD 10
English class 3
Adventures of Banyan tree



KITE VICTERS STD 10
English class 4
Adventures of Banyan tree



KITE VICTERS STD 10
English class 5
Adventures of Banyan tree

UNIT 1 LINES WRITTEN IN EARLY SPRING



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English class 6
Lines Written in Early Spring



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English class 7
Lines Written in Early Spring



KITE VICTERS STD 10
English class 8
Lines Written in Early Spring

UNIT 1 THE SNAKE AND THE MIRROR



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English class 09
The Snake and the Mirror



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English class 10
The Snake and the Mirror








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English class 11
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UNIT 3 THE BALLAD OF FATHER GILLIGAN



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