# Capsule module for b plus students by ashraf vvn module 5 The Best Investment I Ever Made

#### CHARACTER SKETCH

#### **JOHN**

Mr. John is the central character of the story; 'The Best Investment I Ever Made'. He was an orphan boy. He had an unhappy and miserable past. His uncle found him a job as a clerk in an office but he fell victim to a loose company. He spent his money lavishly for betting and gambling. It put him in a difficult situation. He had to steal the money from the office. He was scared of being caught, he tried to commit suicide. The doctor saved his life from the suicide attempt. The doctor gave the money to replace the stolen money from the office. The doctor's great effort gave him a new life. He regarded him as a big hero in his life. It changed his life completely. He sacrificed his life for the betterment of maladjusted youth. It was a great investment for the doctor.

'The Best Investment I Ever Made' is the story of a young man's reckless life and the timely help of the doctor to save his life. Narrate the story in your own words.

A J Cronin was practicing as a young doctor in London, one night he was awakened by a policeman to attend a suicide attempt. The author went to the spot immediately to rescue the victim. It was a young man whose parents were dead. Mr. John was an orphan boy who had an unhappy and miserable past. His uncle found him a job as a clerk in a London solicitor's office. He fell victim to a bad company and he spent his money lavishly and foolishly. He had begun to bet on horses and lost all his small savings. He was involved in stealing and gambling. He had to steal money from the office for his last pay. When he was about to be caught, he tried to commit suicide. He put the gas oven open and tried to commit suicide. The people rushed to save him.

The young man tried to suicide for an amount of seven pounds and ten shillings. The doctor felt sympathy. The doctor wanted to help him from his miserable condition. The doctor gave him the money to put back to his office. So the doctor saved his life. John's life is the gift of the doctor. He sacrificed everything for the

betterment of maladjusted youth. He proved that his life was valuable to others. It was a big investment for the doctor.

#### INFORMAL LETTER

# John writes a letter to the doctor expressing his gratitude and pleasure for saving his life

Palm Villa

California

25<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Doctor,

How are you? Hope you keeping are fine. I am writing this letter with a special purpose. I want to share with you an exciting experience. You did a great job to save my life. I am thankful to you. You gave me a second life and changed me a lot. Now you are my guardian and mentor. I am proud of you for your kind help and support.

Hope to meet you soon.

Yours lovingly,

Name

DIARY

## 1. Mr. John writes his diary after meeting the narrator.

#### 21st MARCH 2021.

It is an unforgettable day in my life. I am happy to meet the doctor today. I can't forget him. He saved me from suicide attempt. How can I forget him? He opened a new world before me. He made me a star in front of others. I can't forget his support and encouragement. He motivated me to gain a lot. I can carry out my duty with perfection now. This doctor is the real God. Thank God for his kind help and

support.

### **CONVERSATION**

# Prepare a conversation between the doctor and john

John : How are you sir?

Doctor : Fine. Glad to meet you here

John : You saved my life. It is a great effort.

Doctor : Sure, I did my job.

John : It is my second life.

Doctor : yes, now you are doing a great job.

John : I learnt a lot from you sir.

Doctor : That is fine.

John : sir, you are my hero.

Doctor : Glad to see you

John : Thank you very much.

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