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## TNPSC GROUP II/IIA <br> GENERAL ENGLISH GRAMMAR COMPILATION

## $6^{\text {TH }}$ ENGLISH TERM 1

## Sea Turtles

## Glossary

1. flippers - broad, flat limbs used for swimming
2. predators - animals that kill other animals for food
3. haul - pull with force
4. slash - cut
5. laboriously - with great effort
6. snout - pointed nose of an animal
7. cavity - a hollow space
8. emerge - come out
9. camouflage - hide or disguise something
10. incubate - hatch eggs using warmth

Fill in the blanks with words that convey the correct meaning of the sentences.

1. Tiny hatchlings fall $\qquad$ (pray / prey) to many predators.
2. Sea turtles live their $\qquad$ (hole / whole) life in the sea .
3. The turtles come ashore only during the $\qquad$ (night / knight).
4. The predators follow the $\qquad$ (sent / scent) of the turtles to eat their eggs.
5. The female turtles lay eggs and go back to the $\qquad$ (see / sea).

## Glossary

1. protested - opposed or disagreed
2. nightmare -a frightening dream
3. interfering - stopping

Work in groups of five. Tell the story in ten sentences.
You can begin the story like this:
The author's Grandfather served in the Indian Forest Service.
After his retirement he built

Now continue the story. Each one should say one sentence.
Look at the words in the box. Make new words by adding 'ly' wherever possible. It will not be possible with all the words.
lone blossom fertile vigorous place constant complete strong unlike great cross immediate broad

Suffix : A letter or letters added at the end of a word to make a different or a new form of the word. E.g. lone+ly= lonely

## Trees

## Glossary

1. quivers - shakes quickly
2. pleasant - enjoyable

## The Apple Tree and the Farmer

## Supplementary

## A Visitor from Distant Lands

## Glossary

1. foreign - belongs to other country
2. merchants - people who trade
3. sailed - travelled in a boat or ship
4. Portuguese - people of Portugal
5. popular - well known
6. delicious - tasty

Listen to some interesting facts about spices and choose the best option.

1. Red peppers have $\qquad$ .
a. Vitamin A
b. Vitamin C
c. Vitamin D
2. Red chilli is also called $\qquad$ .
a. Paprika
b. Carica
c. Pyrus
3. One pound is equal to $\qquad$ grams.
a. 480
b. 450
c. 500
4. Mint leaves help to cure $\qquad$ .
a. body pain b. fever c. upset stomach

## I Dream of Spices <br> Glossary

1. cinnamon - the bark of a tree that gives a delicious flavour to food
2. garlic - a small bulb with a strong taste used in cooking
3. rattle off-recite
4. sesame seeds - gingelly seeds
5. ouch - sound that expresses pain

Choose the correct answers.

1. Mother called $\qquad$ .
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { a. Muthu } & \text { b. Raj c. Ram }\end{array}$
2. Mother did not ask for $\qquad$
a. cinnamon b. cardamom
c. betel leaves
3. Raj did not buy $\qquad$ _.
a. onions and sesame
b. ginger and garlic
c. tomato and pickles

## $6^{\text {TH }}$ TERM 2 ENGLISH

## Glossary

1. Recognised - Known
2. Acknowledged - Accepted
3. Privilege - Honour
4. Consecutive - One after another
5. Identity - Who/What a person is or how a person is known
6. Inspiration - Here, a person one looks up to
7. Passion - Desire
8. Shanty town - A poor area
9. Unfulfilled - Unrealised
10. Prominent - Noticeable
11. Determined - Will powered
12. Correspondent - Reporter
13. Commitment - Dedication
14. Never-say-die - Don't stop trying
15. Civilian- Ordinary people

## Vocabulary

## A. Match the sport and the equipment.

eg. Cricket - Bat

1. Football - Bow and Arrow
2. Tennis - Club
3. Golf - Net
4. Volleyball - Racquets
5. Archery - Helmet

## C. Tick the meaning of the italicised word.

1. Being compared to Sachin is an absolute privilege.
a. Honour
b. Right
c. Favour
d. Disadvantage
2. The boy was taken by surprise when he learnt about Mithali Dorai Raj.
a. Affected
b. Moved
c. Amazed
d. Upset
3. Usha Rani had to struggle all through her life.
a. Fight
b. Duel
c. Fun
d. Work hard
4. Usha Rani is expert at giving leads.
a. Clumsy
b. Sharp
c. Skilled
d. Bad
5. No opponent is too big to defeat.
a. Competitor
b. Rival
c. Helper
d. Enemy
D. Fill in the blanks with the opposites of the words given in brackets.
6. We should learn from our $\qquad$ failure $\qquad$ (success).
7. Children don't like to read $\qquad$ uninteresting $\qquad$ (interesting) books.
8. Be $\qquad$ specific $\qquad$ (general) when you are telling us what you need.
9. The teacher asked the children to $\qquad$ end $\qquad$ (start) talking.
10. The new boss decided to $\qquad$ dismiss $\qquad$ (appoint) the lazy workers.

## Odd one out

## Refer to a dictionary for the meanings and circle the odd one.

1. Tiny - Small, Enormous, Little, Puny.
2. Ample - Great, Plentiful, Generous, Restricted.
3. Kind - Harsh, Concerned, Charitable, Gentle.
4. Honest - Reliable, Trusty, Sincere, Deceitful.
5. Cheerful-Bright, Low, Gay, Contented.

## Error spotting

$\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|}\hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Kovai is further } \\ \text { from Chennai than Trichy. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Kovai is farther } \\ \text { from Chennai than } \\ \text { Trichy. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Further means 'additional'. } \\ \text { Farther is used to talk about } \\ \text { distance. }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Further } \\ \text { 'additional'. Farther is } \\ \text { used to talk about } \\ \text { distance. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Sheeba is stronger } \\ \text { than } \\ \text { Sinduja. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Avoid double comparatives. } \\ \text { Adjectives of one syllable } \\ \text { usually form their } \\ \text { comparatives } \\ \text { by adding -er to the positive. } \\ \text { Adjectives with more than } \\ \text { two syllables take 'more'. }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { My elder sister is six feet } \\ \text { high. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { My elder sister is six } \\ \text { feet tall. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { We generally use tall with } \\ \text { people, and it's the opposite } \\ \text { of short. } \\ \text { Use high when referring to }\end{array} \\ \text { trees, buildings, or mountains, } \\ \text { and it's the opposite of low. }\end{array}\right\}$

## $\underline{\text { Glossary }}$

16. Deed - Act; Achievement
17. Scheme- Plan
18. Fame - Glory
19. Mate - Companion; Partner
20. Spirit - Will; Determination
21. O're - A (poetic) abbreviation for 'over'

Choose the correct adjectives.
Latha stays than Rani, (farther / further)
He is than his friend, (popular/more popular)
My father is six feet (tall/high)
Raju is than Ravi, (more stronger/stronger)
This school has many trees that are (tall / high)
He is
than his neighbour, (richer/more rich)
The brides were much than the grooms, (young/y ounger)
Shakespeare is the playwright in English, (great/greatest)
Jane was the
$\qquad$
We saw player of all. (good / best)
__ animals at the zoo. (many/much)
I don't have friends, (more / many)
The turtle swims slowly, (big/bigger)
I love the _cat. (blacker/black)
She runs than him. (fast/faster)
Her dress looks than Latha's dress, (prettier/pretty)

## Glossary

Mesh - Material made of a network of wire or thread
Swaying - Moving slowly or rhythmically
Snaking - Moving like a snake
Sniggered - Laughed in a half suppressed way
Clinging - Fitting closely to the body
Scream - Cry in a high pitch
Snatch - Quickly seize (someone) in a rude or eager way
Entranced - Filled (someone) with wonder and delight, holding their entire attention
Thud - Av dull sound, as that of a heavy object striking a solid surface
Trumpeting - Making a loud noise
Chugging - Move slowly making regular muffled sounds, as of an engine running slowly
Coax - Persuade (someone) gently to do something
Murmur - To make a low, continuous, indistinct sound; grumble

## TENSES

## SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE


a. Facts that exist at all times: Magnet attracts iron.
b. Permanent situation: I live in Chennai.
c. Expressing actions happening now: He opens the door and enters the room.
d. Habitual actions: Ravi goes to school at 8:30 a.m.
e. Future reference: Kanyakumari Express departs at 5:15 p.m.

Venkat will leave the class as soon as Anbu arrives.

## PRESENT PROGRESSIVE TENSE


a. Unfinished Actions Now : My grandfather is reading the newspaper now.
b. Annoying Habits : You are always disturbing me.
c. Definite Future Plans with time word: The Prime Minister is visiting Chennai tomorrow.

a. Completed action: Merlin went to Ooty last week.

Shakespeare wrote 'The Tempest'.
b. Actions in stories: She boarded the train and looked for her friends.

## PAST PROGRESSIVE TENSE



When I entered the room, the telephone was ringing.

a. Overlapping action: When I entered the room, the telephone was ringing.
b. Past habits: Arun was eating a lot of junk food those days.
c. Emphasis of length or duration: Malathi was watering the plants all day.
d. Recalling the past: It was raining that day. I remember it well.

## Error spotting

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 区I have seen him yesterday. | $\square$ I saw him yesterday. | ? The present perfect is a present tense. It can't be used with adverbs of past time. |
| I will call you when dinner will be ready. | I will call you when dinner is ready. | ? When the verb in the main clause is in the future tense, the verb in the subordinate clause should be in the present and not in the future. |
| ® I am getting up every day at 6 a.m. | $\square$ I get up every day at 6 a.m. | ? Habitual action should be in simple present tense. |
| 区I am thinking it's an interesting book. | $\nabla$ I think it's an interesting book. | ? When using 'think' to express an opinion, do not use the continuous form of the verb. |

## Glossary

Charge - To make a rush at or sudden attack upon a person or thing
Clamber - Climb or move in an awkward and laborious way using both hands and feet
Brambles - A prickly scrambling shrub of the rose family especially a blackberry
Tramp - A person who travels from place to place on foot in search of work or as a beggar
Stringing - Hang so that it stretches in a long line
Lumping - Carry with difficulty
Glimpse - See or perceive briefly or partially

## Cinquain poem

- Brainstorm some interesting nouns, verbs and adjectives connected to travel.
- Pick out the most descriptive words from your brainstorming and put your cinquain together.
- Your cinquain should have five lines and the finished poem should have only eleven words.

A cinquain poem has eleven words arranged like this :
Line 1: A single word title -a noun.
Line 2: Two words that describe the title- adjectives.
Line 3: Three words that describe the action of the title.
Line 4: Four words that describe a feeling in a phrase.
Line 5: One word that repeats the title.
e.g.:

Train
long snaking
hooting, chugging, steaming
along the winding tracks
Procession

## Unit 2

## Udhagamandalam -the Queen of Hill Stations

Udhagamandalam is located in the Western Ghats zone at an altitude of 2240 m . It is the headquarters of the Nilgiri District, where the two mountain ranges meet. Udhagamandalam, popularly called Ooty by the tourist, is the Queen of Hill Stations. Centuries ago this was also called as Oththai-Kal [single stone] Mandu [Mund is a name of Toda Village]. The British started calling it as Ootacamund. Coffee and Tea Plantations and trees like Conifers, Eucalyptus, Pine and Wattle dot the hill side in Udhagamandalam and its environs. Summer temperature is maximum of 250 C and a minimum of 100 C . During the winter it is a maximum of 210 C and a minimum of 50 C . This area was inhabited by the tribals called Toda long before anybody ventured into this region. Curiously enough, this slice of paradise remained unknown even during the periods of the great Southern Dynasties. It was the British who ventured into the region during early nineteenth century. In search of cooler climates development and modernization took place after their arrival. This was the Summer Capital of the Madras Presidency during the British Rule.

It is the pride of the Blue Hills and centre of attraction. This was formed by Mr.John Sullivan, the then Collector of Coimbatore in the year 1824. This is located in an area of 65 acres. Fishing was the major activity in this place. In the year 1973, Tourism Development Corporation, Government of Tamilnadu, on behalf of the Tourism Department took possession of this place for Boating activity, which provides another thrilling entertainment for the tourists.

1. Udhagamandalam is located in the Western Ghats zone at an altitude of .
a. 2045 m
b. 2240 m
c. 2234 m
d. 2040 m
2. Centuries ago Udhagamandalam was called .
a. Ooty
b. Otacamund
c. Oththai-Kal Mandu
d. Mund
3. The maximum summer temperature of Udhagamandalam is .
a. $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
b. $21^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
c. $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
d. $20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
4. Udhagamandalam was inhibited by tribals called .
a. Toda
b. Irula
c. Mund
d. Britons
5. Ooty was the Summer Capital of the during the British Rule.
a. British
b. Todas
c. Tourists
d. Madras Presidency

## 6 TH TERM 3 ENGLISH

## Glossary

1. sniffed - to breathe in air in a noisy way
2. whined - made a high pitched cry
3. snarled - made a deep angry noise
4. soaked - completely wet
5. wallowed - to lie and roll in mud
6. multitude - a large number of people
7. trampling-crushing
8. tilled - prepared the land for crops
9. meagre - small quantity
10. gratitude - thankful
11. verdant - green with grass
12. suspiciously - doubtfully
13. summoned - called
14. fortune - luck
15. contentment - satisfaction
16. stuttered - spoke with difficulty
17. four-square - solidly

## Complete the following sentences using their group name

1. A $\qquad$ pack $\qquad$ of wolves went hunting in the forest.
2. She bought a new $\qquad$ pair $\qquad$ of shoes for her birthday.
3. A $\qquad$ shoal $\qquad$ of fish swam past our boat.
4. A $\qquad$ swarm $\qquad$ of bees had settled on a mango tree.
5. I ate a $\qquad$ bunch $\qquad$ of grapes.

Fill in the blanks with suitable linking words or conjunctions

1. Our team played well $\qquad$ won the game.
(but, because, and)
2. She slipped badly $\qquad$ she did not hurt herself. (but, and, or)
3. The box was heavy $\qquad$ he could not lift it. (so, because, and)
4. Rani was late to school $\qquad$ she misssed the bus. (because, so, and)
5. You can use a pen $\qquad$ a pencil for writing.
(but, and, or)

Forecast is useful for farmers, fishermen, and navigators.
The $\qquad$ weather $\qquad$ of a place is permanent in nature.
India has a tropical monsoon __climate $\qquad$
Spring, Summer, autumn and winter are the four $\qquad$ climate $\qquad$
Global warming is a change in the world's seasons $\qquad$
Satellite photographs help us predict tomorrow's $\qquad$ weather forecast $\qquad$ Spring is my favourite _season $\qquad$
Answers:

## Glossary

1. exploring - travelling for discovery
2. imposing - grand or impressive
3. invariably - always
4. crowed - boasted
5. billowed out - to flare out in the wind
6. threatening - warning
7. blur - unclear
8. abruptly - suddenly
9. momentum - the force of a moving body
10. unfortunate - unlucky
11. startled - frightened
12. resplendent - brilliant in appearance
13. cavalry - a unit of the army serving on horseback
14. magnificent - grand
15. stampede - rush
16. dislodged - freed
17. groan - an utterance expressing pain
18. bellowed - the cry of a cow
19. scrambled - to move or climb hurriedly
20. awkward - sensitive
21. haughtily - arrogantly
22. scowl - threatening look
23. retreat - to move away
24. unpleasant- disagreeable
vocabulary
Match the phrases with their meanings

| 1.drew level with | ran very quickly in panic 5 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2.whoop with glee | to leave a place quickly 6 |
| 3.jammed on the brakes | as if one's life depends on it 4 |
| 4.clung for dear life | tried to stop the motion immediately 3 |
| 5.charged up the road | rose to an equal level 1 |
| 6.beat a hasty retreat | shout with enthusiasm and happiness 2 |

Match each word with its antonyms.

| 1.shady | Misery 3 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2.bored | Calm 4 |
| 3.glee | Interested 2 |
| 4.panic | Slow 5 |
| 5.hasty | Sunny 1 |


|  | Kovai is further <br> from Chennai than <br> Trichy. | Kovai is farther <br> from Chennai than Trichy. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - Sheeba is more <br> stronger than Sinduja. | Sheeba is stronger than <br> Sinduja. | Further means 'additional'. <br> Farther is used to talk <br> about distance. |
| comparatives. |  |  |
| Adjectives of one syllable |  |  |
| usually form their |  |  |
| comparatives |  |  |
| by adding -er to the |  |  |
| positive. |  |  |

## Glossary

1. yore - long ago
2. pigtail - a plaited lock of hair worn singly at the back
3. mused - thought over
4. curious - eager to learn more
5. mystery - puzzle
6. stout - thick in structure
7. wreck - worn out
8. stentorian - extremely loud
9. battered - damaged
10. pock-marked- scarred
11. ponderous - dull and lacking grace
12. lumbered - walked or moved clumsily
13. verdict - a judgement or opinion
14. agitated - troubled emotionally
15. anticipation - expectation or hope
16. menacingly - threateningly
17. frantically - in an uncontrolled manner
18. staunchly - faithfully
19. astonished -amazed
20. chores - a routine duty or task
21. bedraggled - untidy or messy

Identify The Character/speaker :
Identify the Character/Speaker.
'Why isn't the snake coming?" Kamala Das
'I wonder whether it's a cyclone.' Ammamma
'I want to see Kutti Oppu." Malathi Kutty
'Will the house collapse?" Muthassi
‘Is she crazy?" Muthassi
Match the following

| S.NO | CHARACTER |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 1 | Father Wolf | with a grey nose...feeds her four cubs 3 |
| 2 | Tabaqui | the big one from Waingunga River with a lame foot 4 |
| 3 | Mother Wolf | the chief of the Wolves 1 |
| 4 | Shere Khan | begs for meat and thanks for the meal/warns the <br> wolves about the arrival of Shere Khan 2 |

Father Wolf - responsible
Mother Wolf - protective of her cubs
Tabaqui - spiteful and cunning

## $7^{\text {TH }}$ ENGLISH TERM 1

## Eidgah

## Glossary

1. dazzling - extremely bright
2. tattered - torn
3. suburbs - outlying area
4. gaily - in bright colours

## Glossary

1. gaped - stared
2. smack your lips - open and close lips noisily to show enjoyment
3. relished - enjoyed or took pleasure in the taste

## Glossary

1. tongs - a tool used to hold hot things
2. precious - valuable
3. wretched - unhappy

Add a suitable prefix or suffix and make new words.

| -ship | -hood | un- | after- |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| -less | -ful | -ment | im- |


| child | wonder |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\overline{\text { noon }}$ | count _ patient |
| relation happy | $\overline{\text { excite___ }}$ |
| perfect__ |  |
| danger |  |

Fill in the blanks with suitable words from the box.

| cupful | handful | spoonful | mouthful | pocketful | bagful |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

1. The thieves came out of the house with a $\qquad$ of gold and silver.
2. My mother throws a $\qquad$ of grains for the parrots every day.
3. He took a $\qquad$ of the cake.
4. Ram takes a $\qquad$ of soup before food.
5. John added a $\qquad$ of sugar to the lemon juice.
6. The child was happy with his $\qquad$ of chocolates.

## Tick the correct option.

1. There are $\qquad$ (many/much) apples in the basket. Only $\qquad$ (some/a few) are green.
2. There isn't $\qquad$ (many/much) traffic on Sundays.
3. There isn't___ (some/ any) water in the glass.
4. There aren't $\qquad$ (some/any) eggs in the basket. But there are $\qquad$ (much/a few) near it.

Fill in the blanks with some/ any/ much/ many. Some options can be used more than once.

1. There is $\qquad$ coff ee left in the pot. Do you want?
2. Do you have $\qquad$ coins with you? I need some.
3. She asked me for $\qquad$ magazines, but I could not fi nd $\qquad$
4. I can't carry the luggage $\qquad$ more. I need $\qquad$ help.
5. There are $\qquad$ places to visit but we don't have $\qquad$ time to visit them.

## The Computer Swallowed Grandma

## Glossary

1. devoured - consumed
2. squirm - turn
3. desperation - hopelessness

## On Monday Morning

## Glossary

1. panting - breathing quickly
2. exertions - effort
3. aggravated - irritated
4. snort - a cry made to show unhappiness
5. anxiously - tensely
6. loop - curve

Name the speaker.

| s. <br> no | Lines from the Lesson | Speaker |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. | "No never mind. It'll be over by and <br> by, maybe. Don't call anybody." |  |
| 2. | "It makes my flesh crawl to hear you. <br> What is the matter?" |  |
| "Your tooth indeed! What's the matter <br> with your tooth?" |  |  |

## Read the following passage and answer the questions.

Tom lay thinking. Presently it occurred to him that he wished he was sick; then he could stay home from school. He examined himself. He found no symptoms or sickness, and he investigated again. This time he felt he had a stomach ache, but it soon grew feeble, and presently died wholly away. He reflected further.

1. Why did Tom wish that he were sick?
2. What was the result of Tom's self-examination?
3. What did he detect?

Give a relationship term for the clues given.

1. siblings -
2. kith and kin -
3. a chip of the old block -
4. two peas in a pod -
5. bread winner -
6. forefathers -

## The Wind on Haunted Hill

Solve these riddles.

| s.no | Question (Who am I?) | Answer |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. | I have a face but no eyes, hands but <br> no arms. |  |
| 2. | I sit in a corner while travelling around <br> the world. |  |
| 3. | I go up when rain comes down. |  |
| 4. | I have a head and a tail but no body. |  |

## Glossary

1. moaned - make a long, low sound
2. haunted - possessed
3. ruins - decayed, collapsed building or place
4. terrible - fearful
5. saddle - low point on a ridge between two summits
6. crumbling - breaking apart into small pieces
7. scuttled - ran with short quick steps
8. whistling - thrush - a small singing bird
9. straggling - spreading out in different directions

## Glossary

1. forbidding - unfriendly or frightening
2. foliage thrashing - hitting leaves and branches
3. flicker

- shine

4. startled - frightened
5. remnant - what was left
6. crouching - bending down
7. groaned and clattered - banged together and made a loud noise
8. puddle

- pool of water

9. blotted out - hid
10.streak - line
11.sizzled - hissed like something hot on a frying pan

Discuss with your partner and complete the table.

| s. no | Question | who asked <br> this ? | who <br> answered? | what was the <br> answer? |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. | Shall we run <br> back <br> together? |  |  |  |
| 2. | Can you see <br> lomething <br> behind the <br> wall? |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{3 .}$ | Who said <br> good bye? |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{4 .}$ | Was it just the <br> wind? |  |  |  |

## Glossary

1. stumbled - lost one's balance
2. giggle - laugh lightly
3. huddled - crowded together
4. excitedly - feeling great eagerness

## Choose the most appropriate option.

1. The wind hurried and passed through the $\qquad$
a) apples and mangoes.
b) pines and deodars.
c) berries and cherries.
2. The market was $\qquad$ away from the village.
a) 3 miles
b) 7 miles
c) 11 miles
3. Usha went to visit her $\qquad$ house after shopping in the market.
a) Grand father's
b) aunt's
c) cousin's
4. Usha took shelter in the $\qquad$
a) ruins.
b) caves.
c) dens.
5. At dawn, the $\qquad$ began to sing.
a) cuckoo
b) linnet
c) thrush

Unscramble the sound - describing words from the text. One has been done for you.
E.g. igeglg - giggle

1 noam - $\qquad$ 4 mobo - $\qquad$
2 murebl - $\qquad$ 5 cohe - $\qquad$
3 lowh - $\qquad$ 6 nogra - $\qquad$
The Detective's Dictionary!
Choose the correct word from the box and fill in the blanks.
evidence, clue, detective, suspect, victim

1. A $\qquad$ is someone who investigates a crime.
2. A $\qquad$ is someone who suffers the effect of a crime.
3. Someone who might have committed a crime is a $\qquad$ .
4. A $\qquad$ is an idea or fact that helps us solve a mystery.
5. An $\qquad$ is an information we have that proves us that something is true.

Fill in the blanks with the past perfect tense with the help of the words given in the brackets.

1. When Usha looked out of the window dark clouds $\qquad$ (gather) over the mountains.
2. She had no umbrella with her; the weather $\qquad$ (seem) so fi ne just a few hours ago.
3. All was dark again. Night $\qquad$ (fall).
4. She ran towards the big gap in the wall through which she $\qquad$ (enter).
5. Usha looked back at the ruins. The sun $\qquad$ (come) up and was touching the top of the walls.

## Read this text and fill in the blanks with future perfect tense.

Iniya moves to Chennai to join an IAS coaching class. Tomorrow by this time, she $\qquad$ (join) the class. She $\qquad$ (undergo) training till next year. She $\qquad$ (work)very hard by the time she comes home. Her parents $\qquad$ (worry) about her health all the time. They $\qquad$ (write)many letters by the time she comes home. They will be very happy when Iniya becomes an IAS officer.

## The Listeners

## Glossary

1. champed
2. ferny
bit and chewed upon noisily
3. turret - a small tower that projects from the wall of a building
4. smote - knocked loudly
5. sill - a horizontal piece of timber beneath a window or door
6. perplexed - confused
7. thronging - crowding
8. hearkening - listening attentively

## Glossary

2. crates - a wooden box used for transporting goods
3. tunnel - an artificial underground passage
4. notorious - famous for some bad qualities
5. strong room
6. investigation
7. cellar
8. recognized

- a room in a bank designed to protect valuable items against fire and theft

3. investigation - systematic examination
4. recognized - identified

## A Prayer to the Teacher

## Glossary

1. syllabi - plural of syllabus
2. inclusion - all people being valued, irrespective of differences
3. cut throat - competitive
4. less privileged - disadvantaged
5. animate - living
6. fend - look after
7. critical - extremely important

## Glossary

1. indiscriminate

- without careful judgement

2. consumerism - the protection or promotion of the interests of consumers
3. destruction - the action of damaging or destroying something
4. engulf - to eat or to swallow
5. scavenger bird - anything that feeds on dead animals (example: crow)
6. perch
to rest on / to stay on

## Glossary

1. enslaved
2. commercial
made someone slave
money minded
3. contemplate
think deeply about something

## Glossary

1. bigotry - intolerance towards others with a different opinion
2. illuminated - light up

Read the statements. Tick $\square$ the correct words. You can tick more than one.

1. We should develop the ability to learn from $\qquad$ .
$\qquad$ self $\qquad$ others $\qquad$ books
2. Teachers help me to learn $\qquad$ things.
$\qquad$ new $\qquad$ bad $\qquad$ difficult
3. Teach me to appreciate $\qquad$ .
$\qquad$ nature $\qquad$ destruction $\qquad$ small creatures
4. We should learn to $\qquad$ questions.
$\qquad$ ask $\qquad$ answer $\qquad$ discard

## Prefix and Suffix

A. Match the suitable prefix and suffix to create new words of your own. One has been done for you.

| s.no | Root word | Prefix/ suffix | New word |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. | form | con | conform |
| 2. | Patriot | in |  |
| 3. | Diverse | ity |  |
| 4. | slaved | ism |  |
| 5. | animate | ness |  |
| 6. | consumer | en |  |
| 7. | naked | ism |  |

Refer to your dictionary. Add a prefix or suffix to the following words and find their antonyms.

1. privileged
2. animate
3. discriminate
4. empty
5. communicate
6. learn

Read the following sentences carefully and underline the preposition.

1. Julian placed her lunchbox inside her bag.
2. Vinothini left the house before sunrise.
3. Ben saw Daisy playing across the road.
4. Hema keeps all her teddy bears on top of her wardrobe.
5. Divya hid the sweets behind her back.
6. Sudha fell over during the basketball match.
7. Madhusudhan checked to see if his keys had fallen underneath his chair.
8. Mrs Meena asked the children to go into her classroom.
9. After lunch, the children were allowed to play.
10. Saravanan climbed onto the horse.

## Fill up the blanks using suitable prepositions on your own.

1. The soldier climbed $\qquad$ a horse and rode away.
2. They have been here $\qquad$ a long time.
3. Kumaravel has lived in this city $\qquad$ 2012.
4. The paper was published $\qquad$ an International journal.
5. When will you return $\qquad$ home?
6. One $\qquad$ the four students wrote the answers correctly.
7. This fruit is $\qquad$ the Mexican capital.
8. The head office is $\qquad$ Nungambakkam. It is $\qquad$ College Road. As you go $\qquad$ the station, the office is $\qquad$ the right side.
9. The sailors were taken $\qquad$ the forest and made to walk
$\qquad$ 10 miles.
10.The girl standing $\qquad$ me was sneezing.

A limerick is a type of a silly poem with fi ve lines. They are often funny or nonsensical. Limericks were made famous by Edward Lear, a famous author who wrote the "Book of Nonsense" in the 1800s. This was an entire book of silly limericks.
How to write a limerick poem?

* The first, second and fifth lines rhyme with each other and have the same number of syllables (typically 8 or 9 ).
* The third and fourth lines rhyme with each other and have the same number of syllables (typically 5 or 6)
* Limericks often start with the line "There once was a..." or "There was a..."

Fill in the template given for limerick.
There once was a (8 syllable)

|  |
| ---: |
| $\quad(8$ syllable $)$ |
| $(5$ syllable $)$ |
| $(5$ syllable $)$ |
| $(8$ syllable $)$ |

## Glossary

1. harsh - rough
2. doth - does
3. whisper - low voice
4. accents - emphasise
5. anxious - feeling worried or showing worry
6. grieve - be sorrowful
7. depart - leave/go
8. endure - suffer patiently
9. toiled - worked hard
10.vain - producing no results
11.stubborn - one refusing to change one's opinion
12.strife - disagreement
13.eternity - endless, no end

## Answer the following questions in a sentence or two.

1. Why should we speak gently?
2. What do you infer about speaking with others from this poem?
3. What are the disadvantages of speaking harshly?
4. Why does the poet tell us to speak gently to young children?

5 . How should you speak with old people?
Read the poem and fill in the blanks wit $h$ the correct option.

1. It is better far to rule $\qquad$ by , than $\qquad$ .
2. Teach it in accents $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
3. Let no $\qquad$ tone be $\qquad$ .
4. They may have $\qquad$ in $\qquad$ .
5. The $\qquad$ the $\qquad$ which it may bring.
6. The $\qquad$ of $\qquad$ are nearly run.

## Listening passages.

## Unit 1

Gopal, Varun and Muthu would go swimming in the sea in summer. They would sit down and watch the waves tumbling towards the shore. They'd chase the gulls whenever they saw them flying over the oyster catchers. They'd skim stones if the sea was calm enough - twenty six bounces was Gopal's record - Varun had only ever managed two! Whatever they did, wherever they went, the three of them were always together.

## Unit 2

In English we say it is raining cats and dogs when it rains heavily. For the people of Gollamudi in Andhra Pradesh, however, it rained fish!
In the early hours of the morning yesterday, people were woken up to a 'rain of fish'. Four to six inches - long fish were found on the roads and in the waterlogged fields of this village. Some of the fish were still alive. News
spread rapidly and soon, people were out collecting the fish. Locals said it was a fish not usually found there. Environmentalists say that very strong winds and gales sometimes carry fish and sea animals along with the water from rivers and canals. They then can come down with the rain many miles away. This is what happened in Gollamudi.

## Unit 3

The Tale of The Pencil Raj was upset because he had done poorly in his English test. His grandmother sat with him and gave him a pencil. A puzzled Raj looked at his grandma and said he didn't deserve a pencil after his performance in the test. His grandma explained, 'You can learn a great many things from this pencil because it is just like you. It experiences a painful sharpening, just the way you have experienced the pain of not doing well in your test. However, it will help you be a better student. Just as all the good that comes from the pencil is from within itself, you will also find the strength to overcome this hurdle. And finally, just as this pencil will make its mark on any surface, you too shall leave your mark on anything you choose to.' Raj was immediately consoled and promised himself that he would do better in future.

## $7^{\text {TH }}$ STD TERM - 2

## Adventures of Don Quixote

## Glossary

1. knight - a man who served his lord as a mounted soldier in armour.
2. incredible - unbelievable
3. hilarious - amusing, entertaining
4. ogre - monster, giant
5. combat - fighting between armed forces
6. prodigious - impressively great in extent
7. steed - horse that is ridden
8. spur - a device with a small spike or a spiked wheel that is worn on a rider's heel and used for urging a horse forward.

## The Last Stone Carver

Glossary

1. congested - overcrowded
2. grunted - made a low sound
3. crouching - sitting on heels
4. determination - firmness to do something
5. serene
6. blurred
7. blush
8. stumbled
9. immobilized
10. tottered over
11. startled
became unclear
show shyness
lost balance
stopped from moving moved unsteadily way surprised

Match the tools with art forms

| s.no | column A | column B |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | Hammer and chisel | painting |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | Paint brush and palette | sculpture |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | moulds and roll pin | embroidery |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | scissors and paper | pottery |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | Needle and thread | collage |

## Grammar

Construct meaningful sentences from the table given below.

| 1. | silence | should <br> should be | be | used in petrol bunks |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2. | cars |  |  | maintained in libraries <br> hospital etc. |
| 3. | cleanliness |  |  | avoided as they cause <br> cavities and toothache. |
| 4. | cell phones |  |  | practised at homes as well <br> as in public places, |


| 5. | junk food |  |  | parked in no parking area |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 6. | sweets |  |  | avoided as it is bad for <br> health. |

Read the news report given below and underline the passive form of verbs.
The police had announced that the State Bank of India was robbed yesterday. Two men entered the bank at 4.30 pm with guns in their hands. Customers and bank clerks were asked to lie down on the floor and one of the bank clerks was made to fill robbers' bags with money. After that the two men left the bank quickly. The police officer said that more than one lakh of rupees was stolen from the bank but nobody was injured. He also added that the robbers would be found soon.

## *Wandering Singers

## Glossary

1. lute - a kind of stringed musical instrument
2. roam - wander, travel
3. kindred - relations
4. lays - songs, stories
5. tarry - wait, delay
6. fate - destiny, luck

Naya - The Home of Supplementary Chitrakaars
Find their group name and write them in the blanks.
literary art , martial art ,visual art , textile art , performing art

1. Kuchupudi, Bangra, Dandia, $\qquad$ performing art
2. prose, poetry, drama, novel $\qquad$ literary art $\qquad$
3. photography, film making, sculpture $\qquad$ visual art $\qquad$
4. Karate, Kungfu, Capoeira $\qquad$ martial art $\qquad$
5. weaving , embroidery, carpet designing $\qquad$ textile art $\qquad$

## $7^{\text {TH }}$ ENGLISH TERM - III

Journey by Train

## Glossary

1. Proceeded
2. Fertile territory
3. locomotive
4. horizon
5. gazing
6. hasty
7. halt
8. acacia
9. snapped
10. furious
11. foreseen
12. obstacle
13. hesitation
14. conveyance
15. rapidly
16. persisted
17. refused
18. point-blank
19. flurried
20. yielded
21. howdahs
22. carpet bag
23. perched

- moved
- rich vegetated area
- railway engine
- the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet
- look steadily
- quick
- stop
- a thorny tree
- became angry
- extremely angry
- predicted
- difficulty unwilling transportation
quickly continued
not willing
bluntly
worried
- accepted
- a seat for riding on the back of an elephant
- Mr. Phileas Fogg left London with very little luggage. All his money was in the carpet bag.
positioned


## Phrasal verbs

## Section - A

Phrasal verbs

## Section - B

Meanings

1. set out - to go somewhere for a short break or holiday
2. pick up - to begin a journey
3. get away - to enter a bus, a train or a plane
4. see off - to leave a bus, a train or a plane
5. get into - to go to the station to say good bye to someone
6. get off - to get someone from a place

## Glossary

1. Star to steer - the north star is the pole star which tells the sailor where North is and thus they can steer the ship correctly
2. flung

- threw

3. spume
4. vagrant

- sea foam

5. whetted

- wandering

6. yarn

- sharpened
impossible

7. flurried - worried
8. rover

- wanderer

9. trick
10. phenomena

- a period of stay on the ship after the voyage

11. trembling

- events

12. terrified

- shaking

13. tossed

- frightened

14. quenched

- thrown about

15. poured out

- $\quad$ satisfied by drinking

16. hardship
17. witnessed
expressed freely severe suffering observed

## Sindbad - My first Voyage

Match the following

## Column A

1. green island
2. Mihrjan
3. Sindbad the Sailor
4. Sindbad the Porter
5. slaves

## Column B

in the cave 5
huge fish 1
the king 2
voyager 3
poor listener 4

## A Story of Self Sacrifice and Bravery

## Glossary

1. hijacked - illegally seized control of an aircraft, ship, etc.
2. calamity - a sudden event causing great damage or distress
3. assaulted - attacked violently
4. frustration - the feeling of annoyance when one's actions are prevented from progressing or succeeding
5. inflicted - caused something unpleasant to be suffered by
6. disaster - a sudden misfortune, catastrophe
7. pressurizing - persuading or forcing someone into doing something
8. performance - doing something to a specified standard
9. achievement - attainment, success

Phrasal verb
Match the phrasal verb in column A with their meaning in column B.

## A

1. fight or flight
2. put to flight
3. take flight
4. flight of fancy
5. have a nice flight
6. in full flight
7. top-flight

## Glossary

1. instantaneous
2. flickered
3. strive
4. ingrained

## B

escaping as rapidly as possible 3 among the best of a particular group 4 to defend oneself or to run away 5 to cause someone to flee 6 to flee or run away 7 an imaginative but unrealistic idea 1 enjoy your flight 2

Read the following article about the amazing similarities between the assassination of John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln; then underline the passive forms.

Abraham Lincoln was elected to Congress in 1846. Voters elected John F. Kennedy to Congress in 1946.

Lincoln was elected president in 1860. Voters elected Kennedy president in 1960.

Both men were particularly concerned with civil rights.
Both wives lost their children while living in the White House.

Lincoln was shot on a Friday. Someone shot Kennedy on a Friday.
Lincoln was shot in the head. The gunman shot Kennedy in the head.
Lincoln's secretary was called Kennedy. Kennedy's secretary was called Lincoln.

Lincoln was assassinated by a Southerner. A Southerner assassinated Kennedy.

Lincoln was succeeded by a Southerner named Johnson. A Southerner named Johnson succeeded Kennedy.

Andrew Johnson, who succeeded Lincoln, was born in 1808.
Lyndon Johnson, who succeeded Kennedy, was born in 1908.
John Wilkes Booth, who assassinated Lincoln, was born in 1839. Lee Harvey Oswald, who assassinated Kennedy, was born in 1939.

Both assassins were known by their three names and both names are composed of fifteen letters.

Lincoln was shot at a theatre named "Ford". The gunman shot Kennedy in a car called a "Lincoln" that the company Ford made.

Booth ran from the theatre and was caught in a warehouse. Oswald ran from a warehouse and the police caught him in a theatre.

Booth was assassinated before his trial. Someone assassinated Oswald before his trial.

## $8^{\text {TH }}$ ENGLISH

## Glossary

1. self-centred (adj) - concerned with the self
2. disdain (n) - feeling of contempt or scorn
3. muck-heap (n) - heap
4. grub (n) - food
5. magistrate (n) - a judicial officer with limited authority to administer and enforce the law.
6. disgrace (n) - the state of being dishonored, or covered with same
7. ignorant (adj) - unaware
8. consoled (v) - comforted (someone) in the time of grief, disappointment
9. suspected (v) - believed to be a cause or at fault
10. flutter (v) - to flap or wave quickly but irregularly
11. confined (v) - restricted, kept in a limited space or area
12. panic (adj) - frightened
13. cruel (adj) - merciless or heartless
14. gravely (adv) - in a grave or serious manner

## Synonym

1. Nice fun indeed
a. infact
b. doubtedly
c. fine
2. The poor woman is in a panic.
a. fear
b. grid
c. crass
3. The mother consoled her little girl.
a. pretended
b. comforted
c. left
4. You are always self-centred.
a. egostic
b. generous
c. heroic
5. What is the secret you are whispering?
a. rumour
b. murmur
c. louder

## Antonyms

6. Delight $\times$ sorrow
7. Disgrace $\times$ glory
8. Careless $\times$ careful
9. Secret $\times$ public
10. confine $\times$ release

## Homophone

Homophones are words with same pronunciation but different meanings, origins, or spelling.

## For example:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { new - knew } \\
& \text { hole - whole } \\
& \text { knight - night } \\
& \text { see - sea }
\end{aligned}
$$

## a. Pick out the correct homophone.

1. I am not $\qquad$ to drink soda. (aloud, allowed)
2. The wind $\qquad$ the leaves. (blue, blew)
3. I will $\qquad$ my friend. (meat, meet)
4. He will play the $\qquad$ in the second play. (role, roll)
5. I have $\qquad$ the movie already. (scene, seen)

## b. Choose the correct homophone.

1. Every morning my father likes to look at the $\qquad$ on the grass.
a. due
b. dew
2. Chennai is the $\qquad$ of Tamilnadu.
a. capitol
b. capital
3. I was very $\qquad$ last weekend because my friends went to the village without informing me.
a. bored
b. board
4. The cat caught the $\qquad$ of a mouse.
a. scent
b. cent
5. The $\qquad$ rises in the east.
a. son
b. sun

## Abbreviation and Acronyms

a. Abbreviation:

An abbreviation is a shortened form of a word or phrase.
Example: PM - Prime Minister

| ATM | Automated Teller Machine |
| :--- | :--- |
| GB | Giga Byte |
| PC | Personal Computer |
| CEO | Chief Educational Officer |
| EMIS | Education Management Information System |
| IAS | Indian Administrative Service |


| NMMS | National Means cum Merit Scholarship |
| :--- | :--- |
| SBI | State Bank of India |
| OTP | One Time Password |
| IFSC | Indian Financial System Code |
| PDF | Portable Document Format |
| LED | Light Emitting Diode |
| UPS | Uninterruptible Power Supply |
| GST | Goods and Services Tax |

## b. Acronyms:

An acronym is a shortened form of a phrase and is usually made up of the initial letters of that phrase.

For example : NATO - North Atlantic Treaty Organization.
Example

| AVADI | Armoured Vehicles and Ammunition Depot of India |
| :--- | :--- |
| RAM | Random Access Memory |
| ROM | Read-Only Memory |
| NEET | National Eligibility cum Entrance Test |
| UDISE | Unified District Information System for Education |
| PAN | Permanent Account Number |
| WHO | World Health Organization |
| NEWS | North, East, West and South. |
| SIM | Subscriber Identification Module |
| LAN | Local Area Network |
| VAT | Value Added Tax |

## Expand the following:

| ECG |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| ILO |  |
| SCERT |  |
| IIT |  |
| ISRO |  |
| FIR |  |
| UNESCO |  |
| UNICEF |  |
| NASA |  |
| AIDS |  |
| ADHD |  |
| UFO |  |
| FAQ |  |

## GRAMMAR

## Parts of Speech

## Noun:

Noun is a word used as the name of a person, Place, or thing. Example:
Person - Akbar
Place - Chennai
Thing - Computer
Animal - Dog

## Pronoun:

Pronoun is a word used instead of a noun.
Example:
I, We, You, He, She, It, They, Me, Us, Him, Her, Them.

## Verb:

Verb is a word used to express an action or state.

## Example:

come, read, speak, write, learn, am, is, was, are, have, had, do, does, did.

## Adverb:

Adverb is a word that describes or modifies a verb, an adjective or another adverb. Example:
very, beautifully, cleverly, quickly, quite, possibly, never, often.

## Adjective:

Adjective is a word that describes or modifies a noun.
Example:
beautiful, intelligent, good, bad, clever, little, honest, some, great, large.

## Preposition:

Preposition is a word placed before with noun or a pronoun to show the relation of the noun or pronoun to something else.

Example:
in, of, at, on, by, for, from, out, to, up, with, about, into.

## Conjunction:

Conjunction is a word used to join words or sentences.
Example:
and, but, because, or, so, still, if, as, before, though, neither...nor
so that, either...or,

## Interjection:

Interjection is a word which expresses some sudden feeling.
Example:

Alas, Wow, Hurrah, Oh, Hello, Ah, Hush, Bravo.

## NOUN

## Noun

Noun is a word used as the name of a person, place, thing, animal or an idea.
Types of nouns: Proper noun, Common noun, Collective noun, Abstract noun, Material noun.

- Proper noun is the name of the particular person or place. Example: Hari, Akbar, Stephen, Kayal, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India.
- Common noun is a name given in common to every person or thing of the same class or kind.
Example: boy, girl, woman, tree, animal, school, student, teacher.
- Collective noun is the name of a number of persons or things taken together.

Example: police, army, crowd, people, team, nation, family.

- Abstract noun is usually the name of a quality, action, or state.

Example: Quality-Kindness, honesty Action- laughter, hatred. State- Youth.

- Material noun is the name of a raw material of a product.

Example: gold, silver, fiber, diamond, wood, clay, cotton.
a. Pick out the words from the list and put them appropriately in the table.

David, Madurai, parrot, happiness, book, thought, green, tiger, Trichy, computer, Narayanan, fan, sister, Kalam, woman, pencil, Bharathi, problem, brother, Mumbai, swan, elephant, Vijay, solution, success, school, convent.

| Person | Place | Thing | Animals | Ideas/ <br> fellings |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

b. Read the following paragraph and pick out the different types of nouns and put them in the table.

Hobby is an activity that we enjoy doing in our free time. It keeps us busy in our leisure time. People choose their hobby on the basis of their interests and personality. Do you know what Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's hobby was?

| Proper <br> noun | Common <br> noun | Collective <br> noun | Abstract <br> noun |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

c. Fill in the blanks with the suitable collective noun.
(Choir, shower, bowl, flock, cup, pair, swarm, bunch, herd, bottle)

1. a $\qquad$ herd $\qquad$ of cows
2. a $\qquad$ flock $\qquad$ of birds
3. a $\qquad$ choir of singers
4. a $\qquad$ bottle $\qquad$ of milk
5. a $\qquad$ cup $\qquad$ of tea
6. a $\qquad$ swarm $\qquad$ of ants
7. a $\qquad$ bunch $\qquad$ of grapes
8. a $\qquad$ bowl $\qquad$ of rice
9. a $\qquad$ pair $\qquad$ of shoes
10. a $\qquad$ shower $\qquad$ of rain

## Pronoun

Shoba always loves dancing. She wants to go to dance school.
In the above example, the word 'she' replaces the noun 'Shoba'. So the word 'she' is a pronoun.

| Subject <br> pronoun | Object <br> pronoun | Possessive <br> Adjective | Possessive <br> Pronoun |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| I | me | my | mine |
| We | us | our | ours |
| You | you | your | yours |
| They | them | their | theirs |
| He | him | his | his |
| She | her | her | hers |
| It | It | its | its |


| Subject pronoun | Object pronoun |
| :--- | :--- |
| A subject pronoun is a personal <br> pronoun that is used as the <br> subject of a verb. | An object pronoun is a type of personal <br> pronoun that replaces a noun with an <br> object. |
| I, Ye, You, He, She, It, They  <br> Examples: Me, Us, You, Him, Her, It, Them <br> She is my friend. Examples: <br> It is my dog. The painting is done by me. <br> They are reading He called them. <br> I will give you a book.  |  |

a. Change the underlined words with correct pronoun.
(they, he, her, him, it, she )

1. I saw Mr. Balu this morning and gave Mr. Balu my homework.
2. Muthu likes computer games, but he doesn't play computer games very often.
3. My aunt lives in Trichy but, my aunt often comes to visit my family.
4. Neil Armstrong was born in 1930. Neil Armstrong landed on the moon in 1969. He helped the old lady.
5. He gave the old lady food.

Possessive pronoun and possessive adjective.

| Possessive Adjective | Possessive Pronoun |
| :--- | :--- |
| To show something belongs to somebody | To replace the possessive adjective |
| Example: | Example: |
| My shirt is green. | Green shirt is mine. |
| Your book is new. | New book is yours. |
| Her dog is small. | Small dog is hers. |
| Our bird is noisy. | Noisy bird is ours. |

b. Change the possessive adjective into possessive pronoun.

1. This is my pen.
2. Shenbah missed her purse.
3. Her speech is nice.
4. My book is new.
5. My bike is costly.
this pen is mine $\qquad$ _missed purse is hers $\qquad$ _nice speech is hers $\qquad$
__new book is mine $\qquad$
$\square$ __new _costly bike is mine_

## c. VERB

Verb is a word used to express an action or state.

| Transitive verbs | Intransitive verbs |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Transitive verbs are <br> verbs that express <br> action with an object. | Intransitive verbs are <br> The object of a that express <br> Trasitive verb can be a <br> action without an object. |  |
| Examples: <br> noun, pronoun or a ran. <br> noun clause or phrase. | I ran swiftly. |  |
| Examples: <br> I threw the ball. |  |  |
| (Noun as object) the race <br> We beat them. <br> (Pronoun as object) <br> I think that you are |  |  |
| correct. (Noun clause as <br> object) |  |  |

List out the transitive and intransitive verbs in following words.
(come, buy, teach, learn, arrive, sing, run, draw, jump, write).

| Incorrect | Correct | Usage |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| I cannot cope up <br> with this pressure. | I cannot cope with this <br> pressure. | The meaning of cope is to <br> manage. Cope is followed by <br> the preposition 'with', <br> and never followed by 'up'. |
| He has grey hairs. | He has grey hair. | All the hair on one's head is <br> considered uncountable and <br> so, 'hairs' is almost always <br> incorrect. |
| What is the time in <br> your watch? | What is the time by your <br> watch? | In your watch is incorrect. <br> Use by to ask time. |

## The Woman on Platform 8

## Glossary

1. inferno (n) - region that resembles hell
2. heaving (v) - to raise or lift with force
3. dismally (adv) - cheerless
4. serenity (n) - reverence
5. encounter (v) - brief meeting
6. clutched (v) - grasped (something) tightly
7. imposing (adj) - grand and impressive in appearance
8. embarrassed (v) - felt awkward, self-conscious, or ashamed
9. nuisance (n) - causing inconvenience or annoyance
10. staggered (v) - walked or moved unsteadily, as if about to fall
11. wagging (v) - move rapidly to and fro
12. resentfully (adv) - feeling or expressing bitterness or indignation at having been treated unfairly
13. grinning (v) - smiling broadly
14. squatting (v) - crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching the back of one's thighs
15. hustling (v) - push roughly; jostle
16. shrieked (v) - uttered a high-pitched piercing sound
17. mowed (v) - moved slowly into the crowed station
18. patronizing (adj) - treat in a way that is apparently kind
19. obviously (adv) - in a way that is easily perceived or understood; clearly
20. jolted (v) - moved with sudden jurk
a. Choose the best answer.
21. Satish's mother handed to her son $\qquad$ .
a. bag of pencil
b. bag of vegetables
c. big box of chocolates
d. cricket ball
22. The train would come at $\qquad$ .
a. one ó clock
b. twelve o' clock
c. two o' clock
d. eleven o' clock
23. The strange lady gave $\qquad$ to Arun.
a. coffee and vadai
b. tea and bajji
c. tea and samosas
d. black tea and cake
24. Arun was sitting on platform $\qquad$ .
a. no. 7
b. no. 8
c. no. 4
d.no. 3
25. Satish and Arun were $\qquad$ years old boys.
a. 12
b. 11
c. 13
d. 10
b. Match the following.
26. woman in white - mother of Satish 5
27. train - boy of same age 4
28. bowler - dressed simply 1
29. Satish - waves of stream 2
30. spectacles - Arun 3
c. Identify the character.
31. I am glad to know that. sathish $s$ mother
32. Are you all alone, my son? woman in white saree
33. sYes, I am going to school. arun
34. He is one of my friends. satish
35. Goodbye mother. Satish and arun

Hobby Turns into a Successful Career
Section-I
-R.K.Narayanan.
"It is important to always learn and improve our hobbies".

## About R.K.Narayan:

Rasipuram krishnaswami Narayanaswami was an "Indian writer" known for his fictional South Indian town of "Malgudi".

## Glossary:

1. unique (adj) - distinctive / uncommon
2. exhaust (v) - tire out
3. energises (v) - give energy
4. passionate (adj) - intense/ heartfelt
5. accurately (adv) - exactly
6. fiction (n) - imaginative writing
7. spare (adj) - extra
b. Choose the correct answer.
8. Mani imagined a world with $\qquad$ .
a. music and musicians
b. building and sculptures
c. magic and magicians
9. When Mani started writing things, he was unable to $\qquad$ .
a. describe them accurately
b. describe them fluently
c. describe them imaginatively
10. Mani feels writing is like $\qquad$ .
a. painting the voice
b. engraving the voice
c. designing the voice
Section -II
-Ajay Kumar Garg

## Glossary:

1. impairment (n)

- disability

2. miniature (adj)

- very small of its kind

3. accomplished (adj)

- fulfiled

4. magnifying (adj)
5. exhibited (v)

- enhanceing

6. revitalise (v)

- show or reveal
- re-energise

Section -III
-Ilavazhagi

Glossary:

1. accommodates (n) - sufficient space for
2. trophies $(\mathrm{n})$ - a decorative cup given as a token of victory
3. shattered (v) - break, damage or destroyed
A. Fill in the blanks.
4. Mani's grandfather noticed it and helped him by reading $\qquad$ bed time stories $\qquad$ .
5. Ajay mastered the techniques of $\qquad$ painting_ .
6. Ilavazhagi won her first match against $\qquad$ her father $\qquad$ .
B. Choose correct synonyms for the italic word.
7. Writing is a unique hobby
a. common
b. beneficial
c. uncommon
d. separate
8. Ajay started to paint happily
a. depressed
b. joyfully
c. unhappily
d. sadly
9. Miniature paintings depict Indian culture.
a. warp
b. portray
c. twist
d. falsify
C. Choose correct antonyms for the italic word.
10. Ajay suffered an injury.
a. sorrow
b. endure
c. hurt
d. mourn
11. Ajay mastered the techniques of painting.
a. skilled
b. proficient
c. unskilled
d. experienced
12. Ilavazhagi won world championship in 2008.
a. win
b. succeed
c. lost
d. well-skilled

## Singular and Plural

We have seen how to form plural from singular for certain nouns and now we are going to see the other forms of plurals.

1. Some nouns become plural when we change the vowels.

| Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- |
| man | men |
| foot | feet |
| tooth | teeth |
| goose | geese |

2. 'us' changes into 'i'

| Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- |
| cactus | cacti |
| fungus | fungi |
| syllabus | syllabi |

3. 'is' changes into 'es'

| Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- |
| hypothesis <br> oasis <br> crisis | hypotheses <br> oases <br> crises |

4. 'um' changes into ' a '

| Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- |
| bacterium | bacteria |
| medium | media |
| curriculum | curricula |

5. Add 's' to the first word in hyphenated word.

| Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- |
| passer-by | passers-by |
| sister-in-law | sisters-in-law |
| brother-in-law | brothers-in-law |
| runner-up | runners-up |

6. Some nouns have same form for singular and plural.

| Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- |
| deer | deer |
| fish | fish |
| hair | hair |
| furniture | furniture |
| luggage | luggage |

Write the plural form of the given words

|  | Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. | food | food |
| 2. | radius | radii |
| 3. | governor - general | Governors <br> general |
| 4. | syllabus | syllabi |
| 5. | datum | data |
| 6. | Commender-in-chief | Commanders <br> in chief |
| 7. | thesis | theses |
| 8. | forum | fora |
| 9. | cattle | cattle |
| 10. | genius | geniuses |

## Compound words

Compound words are formed when two or more words are put together to form a new word with a new meaning.

Some important compound words using (NOUN + NOUN)

| Noun | Noun | Compound words |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| head | master | head master |
| key | board | key board |
| cell | phone | cell phone |
| eye | sight | eye sight |
| home | work | home work |
| moon | light | moon light |
| note | book | notebook |

Some important compound words using (GERUND + NOUN)

| Gerund | Noun | Compound word |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| dining | hall | dining hall |
| washing | machine | washing machine |
| waiting | hall | waiting hall |
| driving | school | driving school |
| walking | stick | walking stick |
| drawing | room | drawing room |
| calling | bell | calling bell |
| baking | soda | baking soda |

Some important compound words using (NOUN + VERB)

| Noun | Verb | Compound word |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| snow | fall | snow fall |
| car | par | car park |
| book | mark | book mark |
| sun | set | sun set |
| cat | walk | cat walk |
| rain | fall | rain fall |
| hair | cut | hair cut |
| tooth | ache | toothache |

## A. Match the following compound words and write them:

| First word | Second word | New word |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| match | mark |  |
| air | cut |  |
| blood | port |  |
| Pop | machine |  |
| sky | bank |  |
| hair | blue |  |
| book | corn |  |
| sewing | box |  |

## B. Choose the best answer to make a compound word

1. Which can be placed after 'soft'?
a. play
b. ware
c. run
d. cycle
2. Which can be placed before 'light'?
a. try
b. sun
c. horse
d. cat
3. Which can be placed after 'safe'?
a. chair
b. guard
c. shop
d. van
4. Which can be placed after 'blue'?
a. cane
b. print
c. see
d. land
5. Which can be placed after 'water'?
a. food
b. stick
c. fall
d. out

## GRAMMAR

## Adjective

An adjective is a word that describes or modifies a noun.

## Kinds of Adjectives

## Adjectives of Quality

show the kind or quality of a person or thing.

## Example:

- Kolkata is a large city.
- He is an honest man.
- The foolish old crow tried to sing.
- This is the Grammar of the English language.

Adjectives of Quality answer the question : Of what kind?

## Adjectives of Quantity

Describe the quantity of something.

## Example:

- I ate some rice.
- He showed much patience.
- He has little intelligence.
- We have had enough exercise.
- He has lost all his wealth.
- You have no sense.
- He did not eat any rice.
- Take great care of your health.
- He claimed his half share of the booty.
- There has not been sufficient rain this year.
- The whole sum was expended.

Adjectives of Quantity answer the question: How much?

## Adjectives of Number

Show how many persons or things are meant, or in what order a person or thing stands.

## Example:

- Each hand has five fingers.
- Few cats like cold water.
- There are no pictures in this book.
- I have taught you many things.
- All men must die.
- Here are some ripe mangoes.
- Most boys like cricket.
- There are several mistakes in your exercise.
- Sunday is the first day of the week.


## Demonstrative adjectives

Point to "which" noun or pronoun you're speaking about. These four words will help you spot demonstrative adjectives -this, that, these, those.

## Example:

- This lady is stronger than Maha.
- That boy is industrious.
- These books are good.
- Those girls must be encouraged.

Demonstrative Adjectives answer the question: Which?

## Interrogative Adjectives

Interrogative adjectives pose a question. They need a noun or pronoun by their side.
Example:

- What manner of man is he?
- Which way shall we go?
- Whose book is this?


## Degrees of comparison

| Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| fast | fast | fast |
| faster | faster | faster |
| fastest | fastest | fastest |
| tall | tall | tall |
| taller | taller | taller |
| tallest | tallest | tallest |
| small | small | small |

For most one syllable adjectives you make the comparative form by adding - er and - est for superlative form.

## Monosyllabic adjectives

| Adjective | comparative | superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| tall | taller | tallest |
| long | longer | longest |
| fast | faster | fastest |

If the adjective already ends in e , you just add -r.
One syllable adjectives ending in $e$

| Ajective | Comparative | Superlative |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| large | larger | largest |
| wide | wider | widest |

For some adjectives you need to double the last letter before you add -er. You do this when the last three letters of the word have the pattern consonant-vowel-consonant.

One syllable adjectives that need a double letter

| Ajective | Comparative | Superlative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| big | bigger | biggest |
| hot | hotter | hottest |

For adjectives ending in $y$, you make the comparative form by changing the $y$ to an $i$, then adding -er.

## Adjectives ending in y

| Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| happy | happier | happiest |
| pretty | prettier | prettiest |

## Disyllabic Words

For most words with two syllables or more, you make the comparative form by adding the word more before the adjective.

## Two syllable adjectives

| Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| beautiful | more beautiful | most beautiful |
| important | more important | most important |

The exceptional case

| Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| good | better | best |
| bad | worse | worst |
| little | less | Least |
| far | farther(further) | farthest(furthest) |
| late | later (latter) | latest (last) |
| much/many | more | Most |

a. Fill in the blanks

| Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| tall |  |  |
|  | smater |  |
|  |  | largest |
| big |  |  |
|  | later $\backslash$ latter |  |

## Let's compare two things.

1. Which is faster? A train or a plane?
2. Which is cheaper? Gold or Silver?
3. Which is larger? City or village?
4. Which is bigger? A sea or an ocean?
5. Which is taller? A giraffe or a camel?

## Let's compare three things.

- A donkey - a horse - an elephant (strong)
- A donkey is strong.
- A horse is stronger than a donkey.
- An elephant is the strongest.

1. Town - city - village (quiet)
2. Istanbul - Moscow - London (populated)
3. Windy weather - warm weather - rainy weather (good)
4. Ocean - river - lake (deep)
5. The USA - Russia - Spain (large)
6. The Mahanadi - The Cauvery - The Ganga (long)
7. Chennai - Hyderabad - Bangaluru (modern)
8. Giraffe - Horse - goat (tall)
9. Elephant - Cat - Dog (strong)
10. Maharastra - Tamilnadu - Rajasthan (hot)

My Hobby: Reading
-Arunachalam chandrashekaran.

## Glossary:

1. Breeding - procreation
2. rational - intelligence
3. ajar - slightly open
4. cackle - informal laugh
5. constructing - establish / create
6. vigorous - powerful

## Good Books

## -Edger guest

## Glossary:

1. hesitate (v) - pause before saying or doing something
2. fatalities (n) - an occurrence of death by accident
3. restricted $(\mathrm{v}) \quad$ - limited extend
4. pursuit (n) - search
5. encroachment $(\mathrm{n})$ - to advance beyond usual limits
6. preservation (n) - protection

## Sir Issac Newton - The Ingenious Scientist -Nathaniel Hawthorne

## Section-I

## Glossary:

1. ingenuity (n) - the ability to invent things / creativity
2. contrived (v) - created / invented
3. apprentice (v) - works for someone to learn skill
4. acquiring (v) - getting knowledge or skill
5. pried (v) - investigated
6. hopper (n) - funnel shaped bins for feeding grains into mills
7. enchanted (v) - delighted
8. miniature (adj) - very small model
9. curiosity (n) - eagerness
10. accustomed (v) - something familiar with
11. gazing (v) - looking steadily and intently
12. ceased (v) - stopped

## Prefix and Suffix

## Prefix:

A prefix is an affix which is placed before the root word. Adding it to the beginning of one word changes it into another word. For example, when the prefix un-is added to the word happy, it creates the new word unhappy.

| Prefix | Root word | New Word |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| re- | write | rewrite |
| bi- | cycle | bicycle |
| un- | expected | unexpected |


| Prefix | Root word | New Word |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Re- | Again | rewrite |
| Un- | Not | Unkind |
| Pre- | Before | Pre reading |
| Dis- | not | Disrespect |
| Im- | not | impossible |
| Non- | not | nonsense |
| Mis- | wrong | misbehave |

a. Underline the prefix in each word in the boxes

| unlock | unlock | unlock | unlock | unlock | unlock |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| rewrite | rewrite | rewrite | rewrite | rewrite | rewrite |

## Suffix

A suffix is an affix which is placed after the root word. These suffixes change the meaning or grammatical function of a root word.

| Root word | Suffix | New Word |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| happy | -ness | happiness |
| colour | -ful | colourful |
| friend | -ship | friendship |

## Example:

fat + er $=$ fatter $\quad$ drive + ing $=$ driving $\quad$ change + able $=$ changeable
use + less $=$ useless $\quad$ beauty + ful $=$ beautiful $\quad$ lie + ing $=$ lying
b. Pick a suitable prefix and suffix from the given box and complete the following words.
able ,ful, ly, sub, ion, un, tri, re, im, mis

| ___call | __ call |
| :---: | :---: |
| comfort | comfort |
| ___category | ___category |
| ___ understand | _understand |
| ___proper | ___proper |

Syllabification

## Syllabification

Syllabication is the act, process, or method of forming or dividing words into syllables. It is splitting of words according to the syllables or unit of sounds or vowel sounds.
It has six types. They are:
1.Monosyllabic 2.Disyllabic (or) Bisyllabic 3.Trisyllabic 4.Tetrasyllabic 5.Pentasyllabic 6.Polysyllabic (or) Multisyllabic.

The process of dividing words into smaller parts or syllables is called 'Syllabification'.

## Monosyllabic Words:

| Words having only one syllable. |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| act | cat | book |
| head | see | all |
| tongue | plot | steel |
| wish | one | school |
| break | rhythm | make |
| life | ball | bat |

## Disyllabic (or) Bisyllabic Words:

| Words having only two syllable. |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| a-gain | rub-ber | be-side |
| in-stead | de-lay | wo-men |
| pur-pose | pro-gramme | van-quish |
| out-break | mo-ral | di- rect |
| co-ward | en-ding | care - ful |
| sus-pect | lead-er | re- joice |

## Trisyllabic Words :

| Words having only three syllable. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| beau-ti-ful | to-mor-row | po-pu-lar |
| in-ten-tion | per-mi-ssion | e-ffec-tive |
| lu-per-cal | mu-ti-ny | le-ga-cy |


| be-lov-ed | de-part-ment | for-tu-nate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| be-ne-fit | as-sem-bly | con-si-der |
| e-le-ment | tra-di-tion | im-pli-cit |

## Tetra syllabic Words :

| Words having only four syllable. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| u-su-al-ly | mi-li-ta-ry | in-tel-li-gent |
| e-co-no-my | in-he-ri-ted | se-cu-ri-ty |
| lo-ca-li-ty | e-qua-li-ty | pub-li-ci-ty |
| mo-ra-li-ty | im-me-di-ate | ki-lo-me-ter |
| oc-cu-pa-tion | gen-er-a-tion | tech-no-lo-gy |
| mul-ti-me-dia | u-ni-ver-sity | par-ti-cu-lar |

## Penta syllabic Words :

| Words having only five syllable. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ex-a-mi-na-tion | com-mu-ni-ca-tion | i-ma-gi-na-tion |
| qua-li-fi-ca-tion | re-pre-sen-ta-tion | spe-ci-fi-ca-tion |
| par-ti-ci-pa-tion | in-ter-pre-ta-tion | e-va-lu-a-tion |
| de-ter-mi-na-tion | ac-com-mo-da-tion | re-pre-sen-ta-tive |
| mo-di-fi-ca-tion | per-so-na-li-ty | jus-ti-fi-ca-tion |
| in-i-ti-a-tive | fun-da-men-tal-ly | ne-go-ti-a-tion |

## Polysyllabic Words:

| Words having only five syllable. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| au-tho-ri-ta-ri-an | in-fe-ri-o-ri-ty | per-son-i-fi-ca-tion |
| con-sti-tu-tion-al-ly | dis-qua-li-fi-ca-tion | syl-lab-i-fi-ca-tion |
| en-cy-clo-pe-di-a | au-to-bi-o-gra-phy | hu-ma-ni-ta-ri-an |
| au-di-o-vi-su-al | in-com-pre-hen-si-ble | he-ter-o-ge-ne-ous |
| i-den-ti-fi-ca-tion | phy-si-o-the-ra-pist | un-de-li-ve-ra-ble |
| in-ter-ro-ga-to-ry | sub-sti-tu-tion-a-ry | mis-pro-nun-ci-a-tion |

## a. Syllabify the following words

1. education
2. school
3.college
3. English
4. opportunity
5. friend
6. teacher
7. simultaneously
8. laboratory 10. beneficiary

## Grammar

## Prepositions

## Prepositions:

Preposition is a word or phrase that connects a noun or pronoun to a verb or adjective in a sentence.

Common Prepositions: in, on, at, to, with, during, before, after
Prepositions of time
Time prepositions include: at, on, in, before and after. They are used to help indicate when something happened, happens or will happen.

Prepositions of time examples in the following sentences are in bold for easy identification.

- I was born on July 4, 1982.
- I was born in 1982.
- I was born at exactly 2 a.m.
- I was born two minutes before my twin brother.
- I was born after the Great War ended.
- I first met John in 1987.
- It's always cold in January
- Easter falls in spring each year.
- The Second World War occurred in the 20th century.
- We eat breakfast in the morning.
a. Fill in the blanks by using correct preposition.

1. We go to school _on $\qquad$ Mondays, but not on Sunday.
2. Christmas falls $\qquad$ on 25th December.
3. Buy me a present for my birthday.
4. Families often argue _before $\qquad$ Christmas time.
5. I work faster $\qquad$ at night.
6. Her shift finished_at__ 7 p.m.

## Modal Verbs

A modal is a type of helping verb that is used to express: ability, possibility, permission or obligation like must shall, should, will, would, can, could, may, might, dare, need.

Modal phrases (or semi-modals) are used to express the same things as modals, but are a combination of helping verbs and the preposition ought to, used to.

## How to use:

Circle the modal verbs in the list given in the box.

| shall should | will | have to | would | can |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| could may | ought to | might | dare | used need |

We use modal verbs to show if we believe something is certain, probable or possible (or not).

We also use modals to do things like talking about ability, asking permission making They may come by car.

## Impossibility

We use the negative can't or cannot to show that something is not possible.

- That can't be true.
- You cannot be serious.
- We use couldn't/could not to talk about the past.
- We knew it could not be true.
- He was obviously joking. He could not be serious.


## Probability

We use the modal must to show we are sure something to be true and we have reasons for our belief.

- It's getting dark. It must be quite late.
- You haven't eaten all day. You must be hungry.


## Permission:

We use can to ask for permission to do something.

- Can I ask a question, please?
- Can we go home now?
- could is more formal and polite than can
- Could I ask a question please?
- Could we go home now?


## Instructions and requests

We use could you and would you as polite ways of telling or asking someone to do something.

The negative form is can't in spoken English and cannot in written English.
We sometimes say cannot, but it is very emphatic.
The negative form of could is couldn't in spoken English and could not in written English.
We sometimes say could not.
We use can and can't.

| Modal | Meaning | Example |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| can | to express ability | I can speak a little Russian. |
| can | to request permission | Can I open the window? |
| may | to express possibility | I may be home late. |
| may | to request permission | May I sit down, please? |
| must | to express obligation | I must go now. |
| must | to express strong belief | She must be over 90 years old. |
| should | to give advice | You should stop smoking. |
| would | to request or offer | Would you like a cup of tea? |
| would | in if-sentences | If I were you, I would say sorry. |
| can | to express ability | I can speak a little Russian. |
| can | to request permission | Can I open the window? |

## I. Use polite request when we seek help from others.

a. Fill in the blanks using would you or could you.

1. $\qquad$ would $\qquad$ you $\qquad$ please close the door?
2. $\qquad$ could__you $\qquad$ please open the window?
3. $\qquad$ would $\qquad$ you $\qquad$ mind going to the back bench?
4. $\qquad$ could you $\qquad$ please bring some water for me?
b.

| Correct | Incorrect | Explanation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I cannot say if he has passed <br> the exam or not. | I cannot say whether he has <br> passed the exam or not. | 'Whether' is followed by 'or' |
| Hardly had she seen her <br> aunt when she stopped <br> fighting. | Hardly had she seen her <br> aunt than she stopped <br> fighting. | Hardly' is always followed <br> by 'than'. |

## Making Life Worth While

- George Eliot


## Glossary:

| grace $(n)$ <br> aspiration (n) | - | elegance, charm <br> a hope or ambition of achieving something, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| courage (n) | - | desire,wish |

# The Three Questions <br> - Leo Tolstoy 

## Section -I

## Glossary:

- proclaimed (v) - announced officially
- absorbed (v) - took in or soaked up
- renowned (v) - famous, eminent, distinguished, prominent
- affairs (n) - event, incident
- moaning (v) - sob, cry
- unfasten (v) - undo, disconnect, untie, disjoin
- revived (v) - restored to life or consciousness
- crouched (v) - bent, stopped (down)
- threshold (n) - doorstep, entrance
- seized (v) - snatched, grabbed, held of suddenly and forcibly
- ambush (n) - surprise attack, trap, entrap, pounce on

Match the words in column ' $A$ ' with their meanings in column ' $B$ '

| physician | - | bring back |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| restore | - | surprise attack |
| repent | - | medical <br> practitioner |
| ambush | - | regret |
| physician | - | bring back |
| restore | - | surprise attack |

My Reminiscence
-Rabindranath Tagore

## Glossary:

- ineffable (adj) - beyond expression too great to be expressed
- languid (adj) - moving slowly
- plaintive (adj) - sounding sad
- ministrations (n) - the act of helping or caring
- wrought (v) - caused
- clustering (v) - forming a group
- belching (v) - to let air come up
- veritable (adj) - more exciting
- garb (n) - clothes


## Vocabulary

## Clipped Words

Clipping is the word formation process which consists in the reduction of a word to one of its parts. These words are called clipped words.

| advertisement | - ad |
| :--- | :--- |
| automobile | - auto |
| cabriolet | - cab |
| examination | - exam |
| fanatic | - fan |
| gasoline | - gas |
| gymnasium | - gym |
| hamburger | - burger |
| influenza | - flu |
| laboratory | - lab luncheon - lunch |
| mathematics | - math |
| memorandum | - memo |
| moving picture | - movie |
| pantaloons | - pants |
| photograph | - photo |
| refrigerator | - fridge |
| university | - varsity |
| zoological park | - zoo |
| telephone | - phone |

a. Find out the clipped words for the following.

1. aeroplane - plane
2. microphone - phone
3. exhibition -exibit
4. kilogram -kilo
5. cafeteria - cafe
b. Find and use the clipped words in your own sentence.
6. photograph - photo
7. gymnasium -gym
8. luncheon - lunch
9. advertisement -ad
10. zoological park - zoo

## Blends

A blend word or a blend is a word formed from parts of two or more other words.

| binary + digit | $=$ bit |
| :--- | :--- |
| breakfast + lunch | $=$ brunch |
| camera + recorder | $=$ camcorder |
| electro + execute | $=$ electrocute |
| electronic + mail | $=$ email |

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\begin{array}{ll}
\text { mechanics + electronics } & =\text { mechatronics } \\
\text { motor + pedals } & =\text { moped } \\
\text { motor + hotel } & =\text { motel } \\
\text { news + broadcast } & =\text { newscast } \\
\text { smoke + fog } & =\text { smog } \\
\text { Spanish + English } & =\text { Spanglish } \\
\text { vital + amine } & =\text { vitamin }
\end{array}
$$

a. Find out the clipped words for the following.

1. international + police - interpol
2. helicopter + pad - helipad
3. motor + hotel -motel
4. education + satellite - edusat
5. electronic + commerce - e comeerce

## Idioms

An idiom (also called idiomatic expression) is an expression, word or phrase that has a figurative meaning conventionally understood by native speakers. This meaning is different from the literal meaning of the idiom's individual elements. In other words, idioms don't mean exactly what the words say. They have, however, hidden meaning.

Example: "Kick the bucket".
The meaning of the expression is different from the literal meaning or definition of the word of which it is made. The meaning is used figuratively - "to die". Here are some interesting idioms.

## Food Idioms

1. Bad Egg - A dishonest or ill-behaved person.

Example: He was a bad egg.
2. A piece of cake - A task that can be accomplished very easily.

Example: English is a piece of cake.
a couch potato - an idle person big cheese - an important person
a smart cookie - a clever person bread and butter - the necessities

## Sport Idioms

1. The ball is in your court - It is your turn to make a decision.

Example: I've done more than my share in this partnership. The ball is in your court to decide what happens next.
2. Saved by the bell - Saved by a last minute intervention.

Example: The accused was saved by the bell otherwise the judge would have pronounced the sentence today itself.

1. to strike out - to fail at something
2. jump for joy - happy
3. on the ball - fully aware and in control of a situation
4. front runner - expected to win or succeed

## Number Idioms

1. On cloud nine - Blissfully happy.

Example: The grandmother was on cloud nine to see her grandson after a long time.
2. At sixes and sevens - confused or in a state of disorder.

Example: The government were at sixes and sevens over what to do about the unemployment rate.

- one-horse town - very small town or village
- take five - take a short break
- seventh heaven - very happy about something
- perfect ten
- completely perfect Colours Idioms

1. Caught red-handed - to catch someone in the act of doing something.

Example: He was caught red-handed while stealing those candy bars.
2. Black sheep - to be the outcast, odd one out, unlike the others.

Example: Rachel is the black sheep in the team.

- out of the blue - randomly, surprisingly
- once in a blue moon - very rarely
- out of the blue - randomly, surprisingly
- once in a blue moon - very rarely


## Animal Idioms

1. At a snail's pace - Moving very slowly. Example: Traffic is moving at a snail's pace.
2. let the cat out of the bag - reveal a secret.

Example: Who let the cat out of the bag about the surprise party?

- the lion's share - the biggest part
- watch like a hawk - watching carefully
- fish out of water - very comfortable
- mad as a hornet - extremly angry

Match with the meanings for the following Idioms.

1. a piece of cake - Moving very slowly 4
2. on cloud nine

- easy 1

3. perfect ten

- Blissfully happy 2

4. at a snail's pace

- someone who is cherished above all others

5. apple of my eye

- completely perfect 3

Fill in the blanks with the meanings for the following Idioms.

1. take five $\qquad$ -
2. a couch potato $\qquad$
3. pieces of eight $\qquad$ 7. the lion's share $\qquad$
4. black and blue $\qquad$ 8. in black and white $\qquad$
5. wild goose chase $\qquad$ 9. drop the ball $\qquad$
6. seventh $\qquad$ 10. cat's meow $\qquad$

## Listen to the Passage carefully and answers the following Questions:-

1. The Nobel Committee has been called a conservative body because
a. it is conservative in the choice of subjects.
b. its members believe in conservative ideology.
c. its members are old fashioned.
d. it awards prizes only to those people who adopt a conservative approach.
2. In the beginning, the Nobel Committee ignored the great advances in theoretical physics because
a. they were different from other branches of physics.
b. they were concerned with the theory and did not suggest its application.
c. the Committee felt that the discovery and invention in the field did not contribute to the benefit of mankind.
d. they proved to be merchants of death and hence dangerous to mankind.
3. The noble prize would not be given to
a. a diplomat who negotiated a peace settlement
b. a doctor who discovered a vaccine
c. a composer who composed a symphony
d. an author who wrote a novel
4. Alfred Nobel left his colossal fortune to the cause of progress in human knowledge because he
a. was 'Europe's richest vagabond'
b. were a chemist, engineer and an aspiring poet
c. felt guilty for having invented highly destructive things
d. felt guilty for having earned so much money

## Grammar

## Conjunctions / Connectors

'Connector' is a word or a phrase that joins two sentences or group of words, together. They are also known as 'conjunctions'.

Coordinating Conjunctions links two or more words, clauses, phrases or sentences of equal importance.

Some common Coordinating conjunctions are:
and, but, or, therefore, as well as, too, else, otherwise, still, yet, while, however, so, consequently, for, etc...
"She ran fast and won the race".
Subordinating Conjunction are the words that links a dependent clause to an independent clause.

Some common Subordinating conjunctions are:
after, as, until, unless, when, whenever, as soon as, as, if, as though, because, before, even if, even though, if, since, so that, though, till, where, wherever, whether, while, why, etc ......
"The bus had left before he came".
A correlative conjunction is a type of conjunction that functions in a pair.
Some common Correlative conjunctions are:
either...or, both....and, neither....nor, not only.... but, also, such...as, such....that, so....as, as....as, as....so, no sooner.... than, rather.... than, whether....or.
"I am not only a singer but also a musician".

## I. Coordinating Conjunctions

These conjunctions join words, phrases or clauses of equal rank.

## Example:

i. She ran fast and won the game.
ii. God made the country and man made the town.
iii. Get ready soon or you will miss the bus.
iv. I requested him but he did not do the work.
v. Behave well else you will suffer.

## II. Subordinate conjunctions.

These conjunctions join two clauses. One of which is subordinate to the other

## OF TIME

i. Make hay while the sunshine's.
ii. Ravi reached the exam hall before the school bell had rung.

## OF PLACE

Where, wherever, whence, whither
i. You will find your books where you had placed them.
ii. You can see the beauty wherever you go in Ooty.

## OF CONCESSION:

Though, although, even though
i. The alarm woke me up, even though it wasn't very loud.
ii. The child was not covered, although it was very cold.

## OF COMPARISON:

as, than
i. He is not as clever as you.
ii. Rekha is better than her father.

## III. Correlative conjunctions

These pairs of conjunctions require equal structures after each one.
i. Shruthi wants either the chocolates or the cake.
ii. She said that she would like to have both the chocolates and the cake.
iii. You can have neither the cake nor the ice-cream.
iv. I have not yet decided whether I will have the cake or the ice-cream.
v. She ate not only the chocolates but also the ice-cream.
vi. Abirami is both cute and lovely.
a. Underline the conjunctions in the following sentences.

1. Revathy and Rohini are friends.
2. If you say so, I will believe it.
3. Shekar is intelligent but careless.
4. The bus was overcrowded so Arun avoided travelling in it.
5. Though Vinay is ill, he doesn't skip the class.
b. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with suitable conjunctions from the box:

## if after unless until and till although so because but

1. I returned home $\qquad$ after $\qquad$ the bus had started.
2. I respect him $\qquad$ becoz $\qquad$ he is very strict.
3. Sudharshan will succeed _unless $\qquad$ he works hard.
4. Aravinth $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ Arun are classmates from their childhood.
5. You can't have your fruits _although $\qquad$ you take your food.
c. Choose the correct conjunctions from the options given in the brackets.
6. Everyone likes him $\qquad$ he is very helpful. (because/for)
7. $\qquad$ it was cloudy, we decided to take an umbrella. (so/as)
8. Rathi found her watch $\qquad$ she had left it. (wherever/where)
9. I don't know $\qquad$ I can afford to buy a new dress or not. (whether/why)
10. $\qquad$ he was ill, he went to the doctor. (as/though)

## Sentence Pattern

A group of words, which gives complete sense is called a sentence. The basic sentence patterns are given below:

1. SV
2. SVO
3. SVC
4. SVOC
5. SVIODO
6. SVDOIO

Child laughs.
I play hockey.
He is smart.

I painted the car blue.
My father presented me a watch.
She gave money to the poor.

## Subject (S):

To get 'Subject' ask the question 'Who?' before the verb. It consists of nouns or pronouns and occurs before a verb.

## Example:

Nancy danced well. Who danced well? (Here "Nancy" answers for the who?)

The child broke the glass. (Here "The child" answers the question who?)

## Verb (V) :

A verb shows an action or activity or work done by the subject. It also tells the status. To get 'verb' ask what does the subject do?

## Example:

Jems wrote a letter. What did Jems do? (Here wrote answers the question)

He is a doctor.

The baby is crying.

## Object (O):

To get the object, ask the question 'What?' or 'Whom?'. 'What' is for things and 'Whom' is for persons. Persons may be nouns or pronouns.

## Example:

He bought a pen.
He handles the computer.
I saw him.

## Direct Object (DO) :

Direct object answers the question 'what'.
I like animals.

## Indirect Object (IO) :

Answers the question 'whom'?
I gave Rosy a pen.

## Complement (C) :

The words, required to complete the meaning of a sentence are called Complement.

## Example:

He is a dentist.
She named the boy John.
It grew dark.
Object complement answers for the questions "How" asked on the object.

## Example:

He painted the car blue. How did he painted the car?
Here the word blue answers for the question "How" asked on the object car.

## Example:

We call Kamarajar Karmaveerar.
They selected her leader.

## Adjunct (A):

To get 'Adjunct' ask the question where, how, when or why.

## Example:

My father is a farmer in thiruvarur.
a.

| Where? (Place) | Where? (Place) | Where? (Place) | Where? (Place) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| here, there | by bus / cycle | now, later | due to cold |
| every where | through efforts | after 2 years | through floods |
| in the sky | by mixing | when young | under <br> compulsion |
| at home | by hard work | in the morning | carefully |

Choose the right pattern.

1. The wall collapsed.
a. SV b. SVO
c. SVIODO
2. During the war, many people lost their homes.
a. SVO
b. SVIODO
c. ASVO
3. I promised the children a trip to the zoo.
a. SVO
b. SVDOIO
c. SVIODO
4. In 1998, Frank moved to London.
a. ASVA
b. ASVO
c. SVIODO
5. Pooja hired a bicycle.
a. SV
b. SVO
c. SVA

## A Thing of Beauty

## Glossary:

- bower (n) - shelter under the shade of trees
- wreathing (v) - cover, surround, encircle something
- pall (n) - covering
- rills (n) - clear stream
- sprinkling (v) - falling in fine drops


## Crossing the River

## Glossary:

- prostrated (v) - falling flat on the ground as a mark of respect
- eloquent (adj)
- fluent, expressive
- discourse (n)
- discussion, spoken communication
- spellbound (v)
- fascinating, captivating
- resolved (v)
- firmly determined to do something
- ritual (n) - a religious or solemn ceremony
- enthusiastically (adv) - interest, eager enjoyment
- apologetically (adv) - shows regretful acknowledgment
- spate(n)
- jocularly (adv)
- pious (adj)
- rush, run, flood
- humourous, funny
- guffaw (n)
- spiritual, devoutly religious, dedicated
- naivety ( n )
- a loud and hearty laugh
- dawn (n) - day break, early morning
- intrigued (v) - arouse the curiosity of, fascinate, attract
- obeisance (n) - respect, reverence, honour


## Being Safe

## Section - I

## Glossary:

- bifurcates (v) - divide into two separate parts
- amuses (v) - to make someone laugh or smile
- vacation (v) - holiday
- merges (v) - join together

Section - II

## Glossary:

- scorching (v) - extremely hot
- sunscreen (n) - a cream or lotion rubbed on the skin to protect it from the sun
- exhausted(v) - feeling tired
- sunstroke (n) - unconscious or heatstroke brought about by excessive exposure to the sun
- giddy (adj) - having a sensation of falling down
- nauseated (adj) - sickening, stomach-turning
- street smart (adj) - the knowledge to be with difficulties and dangers


## Section - III

## Glossary:

- fertilizer (n) - chemical or natural substance added to land to increase its fertility.
- antifreeze (n) - a liquid that can be added to water to lower the freezing point.
- hazardous (adj) - risky; dangerous
- emergency (n) - often dangerous situation requiring immediate action.


## Choose the correct synonyms for the Italic word.

1. Dixie was feeling very exhausted.
a. joy
b. wounded
c. tired
d. rejoiced
2. The neem tree was a big antique in his garden.
a. modern
b. ancient
c. updated
d. out dated
3. Praveen got sun stroke.
a. fever
b. nerves
c. unconscious
d. tired
4. Heat exhaustion prevails.
a. widespread
b. not visible
c. explosive
d. hidden

## Choose the correct antonyms for the Italic word.

1. Karan visited his ancestral village.
a. offspring
b. family
c. house
d. relative
2. We should use our mobile safely.
a. unsafely
b. securely
c. protect
d. save
3. Medicine should be stored.
a. consumed
b. deleted
c. preserved
d. registered
4. The neem tree provided shelter to many birds.
a. residence
b. unprotection
c. home
d. security
5. It is a latest mobile.
a. updated
b. outdated
c. new
d. modern

## Homonyms

Two or more words having the same spelling and pronunciation but different meanings and origins.

| S.No | Homonyms | Meaning | Example |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | address | location | This is her address. |
|  | address | to speak to | She addressed the open-air meeting. |
| 2. | band | a musical group | The band was playing old songs. |
|  | band | a ring | She always ties her hair back in a band. |
| 3. | bat | mammal | I am afraid of bats. |
|  | bat | an implement used to hit a ball | I love my cricket bat. |
| 4. | right | correct | He is right. |
|  | right | direction | Take a right turn. |

## Write a sentence of your own for each homonyms.

1. a. bright - very smart or intelligent -
b. bright - filled with light
2. a. express - something done fast
b. express - convey
3. a. kind - type
b. kind - caring
4. a. well - in good health
b. well - water resource

Phrasal verb
A phrasal verb is a verb that is made up of a main verb together with an adverb or a preposition, or both.
"Catch on" is a phrasal verb which means to understand.

| Phrasal verb | Meaning | Example |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| call on somebody | visit somebody | We called on you last night but you <br> weren't <br> home. |
| call back | to return a phone call | Could you please call back in ten <br> minutes? |
| get rid of | to eliminate | Please get rid of that old t-shirt. It's so |
| ragged. |  |  |

Write the meaning for the phrasal verbs.

1. look into
2. give up
3. put off
4. get on
5. take off

## Tense

I. Present Tense
II. Past Tense
III. Future Tense
a. Simple
b. Continuous
c. Perfect
d. Perfect Continuous

| Tense | Signal words | Use |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Simple Present <br> /Present Simple | - every day <br> - sometimes <br> - always <br> - often <br> - usually <br> - seldom <br> - never <br> - first ... then | - something happens repeatedly <br> - how often something happens <br> - one action follows another <br> - things in general <br> - with the following verbs (to love, to <br> - hate, to think, etc.) <br> - future meaning: timetables, programmes |
| Present Continuous <br> / Progressive | - now <br> - at the moment <br> - Look! <br> - Listen! | - something is happening at the <br> - same time of speaking or around it future meaning: when you have already decided and arranged to do it (a fixed plan, date) |
| Simple Past / Past Simple | - last ... <br> - ... ag <br> - in 1990 <br> - yesterday | - action finished in the past, mostly connected with an expression of time (no connection to the present) |
| Past Continuous Progressive | - while | - an action happened in the middle of another action <br> - someone was doing sth. at a certain time (in the past) - you do not know whether it was finished or not |
| Present Perfect | - just <br> - yet <br> - never <br> - ever <br> - already <br> - so far <br> - up to no <br> - since <br> - for <br> - recently | - you say that sth. has happened or is finished in the past and it has a connection to the present <br> - action started in the past and continues up to the present |
| Present Perfect Continuous | - all day <br> - the whole day <br> - how long <br> - since <br> - for | - action began in the past and has just stopped <br> - how long the action has been happening <br> - emphasis: length of time of an action |


| Past Perfect | - already <br> - just <br> - never | - mostly when two actions in a story are related to each other: the action which had already happened is put into Past Perfect, the other action into Simple Past <br> - the past of Present Perfect |
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| Past Perfect Continuous | - how long <br> - since <br> - for | - how long something had been happening before something else happened |
| will - future |  | - predictions about the future (you think that sth. will happen) <br> - you decide to do sth. spontaneously at the time of speaking, you haven't made a decision before |


|  |  | $\bullet$ main clause in type I of the if clauses |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| going to - future |  | - when you have already decided to do <br> sth. in the future <br> what you think what will happen |
| Future Continuous |  | - An action will be in progress at a <br> certain time in the future. This action <br> has begun before the certain time. <br> Something happens because it <br> normally happens. |
| Future Perfect |  | - sth. will already have happened before <br> a certain time in the future |
| Future Perfect <br> Continuous | $\bullet$ | sth. will already have happened before <br> a certain time in the future <br> emphasis: length of time of an action |

## Present Tense

| Person | Simple | Continuous | Perfect | Perfect Continuous |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | + verb | + am + verb + ing | + have + pp | + have + been + verb + ing |
| we | + verb | + are + verb + ing | + have + pp | + have+ been + verb + ing |
| You | + verb | + are + verb + ing | + have + pp | + have + been + verb + ing |
| He | + verb+s/es | + is + verb + ing | + has + pp | + has + been + verb + ing |
| She | + verb+s/es | + is + verb + ing | + has + pp | + has + been + verb +ing |
| It | + verb+s/es | + is + verb + ing | + has + pp | + has + been + verb + ing |
| They | + verb | + are + verb + ing | + have + pp | + have+ been + verb + ing |
| I | + verb | + am + verb + ing | + have + pp | + have + been + verb +ing |
| we | + verb | + are + verb + ing | + have + pp | + have + been + verb + ing |

## Past Tense

| Person | Simple | Continuous | Perfect | Perfect Continuous |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | Past tense of the verb | + was + verb + ing | + had + pp | $\begin{gathered} \text { + had + been + verb } \\ \text { +ing } \end{gathered}$ |
| we |  | + were + verb + ing | + had + pp | $\begin{gathered} \text { + had + been + verb } \\ \text { +ing } \end{gathered}$ |
| You |  | + were + verb + ing | + had + pp | $\begin{aligned} & \text { + had + been + verb } \\ & \text { +ing } \end{aligned}$ |
| He |  | + was + verb + ing | + had + pp | $\begin{gathered} + \text { had }+ \text { been + verb } \\ + \text { ing } \end{gathered}$ |
| She |  | + was + verb + ing | + had + pp | $\begin{aligned} & \text { + had + been + verb } \\ & + \text { ing } \end{aligned}$ |
| It |  | + was + verb + ing | + had + pp | $\begin{gathered} + \text { had + been + verb } \\ \text { +ing } \end{gathered}$ |
| They |  | + were + verb + ing | + had + pp | $\begin{gathered} + \text { had }+ \text { been }+ \text { verb } \\ + \text { ing } \end{gathered}$ |

## Future Tense

| ssPerson | Simple | Continuous | Perfect | Perfect <br> Continuous |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | + Shall / <br> will <br> + verb | +Shall / will + <br> be <br> + verb + ing | + Shall / <br> will <br> (have <br> You <br> PP | + Shall / will + <br> have + been + <br> verb+ ing |
| He <br> She |  |  |  |  |
| It |  |  |  |  |
| They |  |  |  |  |

Fill in the blanks
with appropriate form of the verbs given in the brackets.

1. When the burglars broke into the house, everybody $\qquad$ had $\qquad$ (have) sound sleep.
2. The milk _split $\qquad$ (spill) over as she went to see the crowd passing by with loud slogans.
3. If Karthik $\qquad$ didnot $\qquad$ (not + make) any mistake, he will be rewarded.
4. They were watching TV when they $\qquad$ hared $\qquad$ (hear) a loud bang at the door.
5. The bus $\qquad$ had left $\qquad$ (leave) the stop before we could catch it.
6. Arya __played $\qquad$ (play) the same song for last three days. It has become boring now.
7. Manju __called $\qquad$ (call) after we reach home.
8. The show $\qquad$ completed $\qquad$ (complete) its one thousand episodes by next month.
9. Don't worry, we will be $\qquad$ reaching $\qquad$ (reach) the airport in time.
10. Prasanna has __fallen $\qquad$ (fall) sick after eating some snacks at the street side shop.

## Tick the correct option to complete the sentences.

1. The climate of the city $\qquad$ mild and pleasant most of the time.
a. is remaining
b. remains
c. was remaining
d. is remained
2. One day he $\qquad$ into a hotel in Ooty, a beautiful city in Tamilnadu.
a. booking
b. was booking
c. booked
d. had booked
3. You will certainly $\qquad$ rewards for what you are doing.
a. get
b. had got
c. was getting
d. be getting
4. Do you $\qquad$ the day we moved the piano upstairs?
a. remember
b. remembered
c. are remembering
d. had remembered
5. The rain completely $\qquad$ our day.
a. spoilt
b. is spoiling
c. is spoilt
d. was spoilt
6. Akbar $\qquad$ the king at the age of fifteen after the sudden death of his father. a. was becoming
b. had become
c. became
d. become
7. The criminal $\qquad$ the place before the police could reach.
a. was escaping
b. had escaped
c. is escaping
d. will escape
8. They $\qquad$ all the arrangements before the guest's arrival.
a. will have made
b. will be made
c. had been making
d. were making
9. Sabithra $\qquad$ her job by tomorrow evening.
a. will be completing
b. will complete
c. will have completed
d. will have been completing
10. Harshini $\qquad$ her mother in making rangoli in the yard for last one hour.
a. is helping
b. has helped
c. has been helping
d. helps

Identify the errors in the sentences given below and rewrite them.

1. I have met him yesterday.

I saw him yesterday
2. I am watching TV since morning.
im watching this tv sincethis morning.
3. She is seeming sad.
she seems sad
4. She watched TV when her husband came.
5. He is having a cellular phone.
he has a cellular phone
6. I heard him to speak on several subjects.
7. Ten candidates have passed one failed.
ten candidates passed one has failed
8. He succeeded because he works hard. he worked hard he succeed
9. How long are you working in this office?
10. I shall wait for you till you will finish your work.

I shall wait for you till you finish your work
11. When I reached the station, the train already left.
when I reached the station, the train already left
12. She or he have done well.
she or he had done well
13. One of the boys are missing. one of the boy is missing
14. None is genuine.
no one is genuine
15. She is waiting for you for 3 hours.

## Conditional sentences with 'If'

Conditional Sentences are also known as Conditional Clauses or If Clauses. They are used to express that the action in the main clause (without if) can only take place if a certain condition (in the clause with if) is fulfilled. There are three types of Conditional Sentences.

## Conditional Sentence Type 1

It is possible and also very likely that the condition will be fulfilled.
Example: If I find her address, I'll send her an invitation.

## Conditional Sentence Type 2

It is possible but very unlikely, that the condition will be fulfilled.
Example: If I found her address, I would send her an invitation.

## Conditional Sentence Type 3

It is impossible that the condition will be fulfilled because it refers to the past.
Example: If I had found her address, I would have sent her an invitation.

| Type | If-clause | Main clause |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | Simple Present <br> If I study, | will + infinitive <br> I will pass the exam. |
| II | Simple Past <br> If I studied, | would + infinitive <br> I would pass the exam. |
| III | Past Perfect <br> If I had studied, | would + have + past participle <br> I would have passed the exam. |

## A. Complete the Conditional Sentences. Decide whether to use Type I, II or III.

1. If I had time, I $\qquad$ would go $\qquad$ (go) shopping with you.
2. If you $\qquad$ speak $\qquad$ (speak) English, you will get along with them perfectly.
3. If they had gone for a walk, they $\qquad$ would have turned $\qquad$ (turn) the lights off.
4. If she $\qquad$ comes $\qquad$ (come) to see us, we will go to the zoo.
5. I would have told you, if I $\qquad$ had seen $\qquad$ (see) him.

## Choose the best answer.

1. I will come if I $\qquad$ time.
a. have
b. had
c. will have
2. If he is late, we $\qquad$ without him.
a. would start
b. would have started
c. will start
3. If you $\qquad$ me, I would tell you.
a. will ask
b. asked
c. had asked
4. Will it be all right if I $\qquad$ a friend tonight?
a. had brought
b. bring
c. brought
5. If you $\qquad$ to learn a musical instrument, you have to practice.
a. wants
b. wanted
c. want

## Match the following.

1. If they worked hard
2. If I invite Shalini
3. If I had got enough money - they would win.

## Fill in the blanks with correct verb forms.

1. If you $\qquad$ out with your friends tonight, I $\qquad$ the football match on TV.
a. go, would watch
b. go, will watch
c. go, have watched
2. If he $\qquad$ harder, he $\qquad$ his goals.
a. tries, would reach
b. tried, will reach
c. tried, would reach
3. If we $\qquad$ to the radio, we $\qquad$ the news.
a. listen, would hear
b. had listen, will hear
c. listen, will hear

| Incorrect | Correct | Usage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Work hard lest you will <br> fail. | Work hard lest you should <br> fail. | 'Lest' must be followed by <br> 'should.' |
| I know to cook. | I know how to cook. | Before using infinitive, use <br> how/ what/when after the <br> word ' know.' |
| You will never see a man <br> like he | You will never see a man <br> like him. | A pronoun takes objective <br> case after like or unlike. |

## Fire Work Night

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- Enid Blyton
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## Glossary:

- bang (n)
- yelp (v)
- trembling (v)
- rushing (v)
- couch(n)
- crouch (v)
- kennel (n)
- fright (n)
- a sudden loud, sharp noise
- a short, sharp cry,especially of pain or alaram
- to shake slightly/ short movements, as from fear
- moving with urgent haste / fast
- a type of high bed/ sofa
- adopt a position where the knees are bent and upper body is brought forward and down
- a small shelter for a dog
- a sudden intense feeling of fear


## When Instinct Works

-Anna Sewell

Anna Sewell was an English writer of children's classic 'Black Beauty'. Although it has to come to be treated as a children's book, it was originally meant for those who took care of horses. She talks about kindness, sympathy and understanding in the treatment of horses.

## Glossary:

- harnessed (v) - tied the horse to a cart using strips of leather metal fittings.
- tollgate (n) - a gate across a road or bridge at which travellers must stop and pay
- sturdy (adj) - strong
- groan (n) - deep sound
- bridle (n) - a set of leather straps tied around the neck of a horse to control it
- instinct (n) - an innate typically fixed pattern of behavior in animals In response to certain stimuli
- a dead stop (n) - complete and sudden stop


## Friendship

Section -I

## Glossary:

- Complexes
- Demanded
- consisting of many different and connected parts
- Establish
- ask authoritatively
- Decided
- set up on a firm and permanent basis
- having clear opinion


## Section II

## Glossary:

- Boarded - get on or into a vehicle
- Consoled - comfort someone at the time of grief
- Exchanged - give something and receive something
- Competition - an event or contest
- Affected - cause a change in someone or something


## Section III

- Nervously - in an anxious or uneasy manner
- Astounded - shocked or greatly surprised
- Hesitatingly - to be reluctant or wait to act because of fear
- Dumbfounded - speechless with amazement
- Dropped - the act of a person or thing that drops


## Commonly Confused Words.

The error with this pair results from mispronunciation and failure to distinguish between a noun and a verb.

## Example:

## Advice/Advise

The $c$ in advice is pronounced with the sound of $/ \mathrm{s} /$. Advice is a noun meaning "recommendation regarding a decision".

The $s$ in advise is pronounced with he sound of $/ \mathrm{z} /$. Advise is a verb meaning 'to recommend'.

1. Complement : It is something that completes something else.

Compliment : It is a nice thing to say.
2. Empathy : It is the ability to understand another person's perspective or feelings.
Sympathy : It is a feeling of sorrow for someone else's suffering.
3. Inquiry : Inquiry and enquiry both mean 'a request for information'.

It is the standard American English spelling.
Enquiry : It is the British spelling.
4. Stationary : It means unmoving.

Stationery : It refers to letter writing materials and especially to high quality paper.
5. Effect : An effect is a result or a consequence. (usually a noun) Effect may also function as a verb meaning "to bring about something."
Affect : An affect is to have an impression, influence, or effect on something. (usually a verb).
6. Lie : Use lie when the object is laying itself down.

Lay : Use lay when the object is being laid down.
7. Rise : Use rise when the object is lifting itself.

Raise : Use raise when the object is being risen by another force.

## Complete the following sentences using appropriate confusable words.

1. The sugar had a negative $\qquad$ on the science experiment. (effect/affect)
2. I am going to $\qquad$ down for an hour. (lie/lay)
3. The gas prices continue to $\qquad$ . (raise/rise)
4. he always gives me good $\qquad$ . (advice/advise)
5. The war had no $\qquad$ on oil prices. (affect / effect)

## Anagram

An anagram is a word or phrase formed by rearranging the letters of another word or
phrase. Anagrams can be useful by helping a learner become aware of both spelling and spelling patterns.

## Example:

| are - ear | care - race | god - dog | meat - team |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| note - tone | won - now | earth - heart | slip - lips |

## Exercise:

Bowl - __blow $\qquad$ march -__charm___ study _ ___dusty___ snail - __nails
plum - __lump $\qquad$ chin _ ___inch__ flow - $\qquad$ wolf $\qquad$ eat $\qquad$ tea_

## Antigram

Anagrams are words or phrases created by rearranging the letters of another word or phrase. An anagram becomes an antigram when it is opposite in meaning to the original word or phrase.

## Example:

santa - Satan epitaphs - Happiest united - untied
harmfulness - Harmless fun

## Exercise:

earliest - _ariselate__ festival ___evilfast__ funeral - __realfun__ violence _nicelove $\qquad$

## Error Spotting:

| Incorrect | Correct | Explanation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jim and me are <br> going to the beach. | Jim and I are going to <br> the beach. | Don't use objective pronoun 'me'. Use 'I' as <br> it plays a role of subject. (Jim and I - plural <br> subject so we use are) |
| You better to <br> consult a doctor. | You better consult a <br> doctor. | Don't use infinitive to after rather and |
| better. |  |  |

## Homeless Man and his Friends: A true story

## Glossary:

- boomerang (n)
- medication (n)
- incredible (adj)
- anticipating (v) - expecting


## Cyber Safety

## Glossary:

- screw guage (n) - measuring tool
- browse (v) - to scan, to casually look through in order to find items of interest
- frightened (v) - scared
- online predator (n) - someone who sexually exploits a child over the internet
- bother (v) - to disturb or annoy
- cyber (adj) - relating to or characteristic of culture of computers, information technology and virtual reality.
- aggressive (adj) - prone to behave in a way that involves attacking or arguing
- beneficial (adj) - helpful or good to something or someone

Choose the correct synonyms for the italicized words.

1. I was really scared.
a. bold
b. frightened
c. timid
2. There is a chance to get addicted.
a. accustomed
b. known
c. inclined
3. Let us browse about it.
a. surf
b. read
c. glance
4. we can't ignore the benefits of internet.
a. favorable
b. harm
c. popularity
5. She gathered the information from the internet.
a. disburse
b. collect
c. amass

## Choose the correct antonyms for the italicized words.

1. The explosion had weakened the building's foundations.
a. dreary
b. dull
c. strengthen d. weak
2. A stranger was roaming around the street.
a. well known
b. newcomer
c. unknown
d. foreigner
3. Vairavan is having a spot of bother with law.
a. worry
b. annoy
c. pester
d. pleasing
4. He asked the manager to improve the facility in the hall.
a. amenity
b. comfort
c. uneasy
d. short coming
5. A good diet is beneficial to health.
a. benefit
b. helpful
c. harmful
d. useful

## British and American English

| British | American |
| :---: | :---: |
| Torch | Flashlight |
| Mobile <br> phone | Cell phone |
| Bin | trash can |
| Lorry | Truck |

Find the suitable British or American English word and fill in the following.

| British | American |
| :--- | :--- |
| Flat | apartment |
| Lift | elevator |
| Petrol | French fries |
| biscuits | Cookie |
| holiday | Vacation |

## Spelling Differences

| British | American |
| :---: | :---: |
| Skilful | Skillful |
| Cheque | Check |
| Programme | Program |
| Dialogue | Dialog |

Find the suitable British or American English spelling and fill in the following.

| British | American |
| :---: | :---: |
| Apologise | apologize |
| Judgement | judgment |
| Neighbour | neighbour |
| dreamt | Dreamed |
| aeroplane | Airplane |
| plough | Plow |

## Eponymous Words

Words whose origin is traced to individuals are known as eponymous words.
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| Eponym | Meaning | Origin |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Colombia | A South American country and the <br> name of many cities around the <br> world. | Christo for Columbus (1451-1506), <br> the Italian discoverer of the <br> America in 1492. |
| diesel | A type of motor engine that runs on <br> heating oil rather than gasoline or <br> petrol. | Rudolf Diesel (1858-1913), the <br> German mechanical engineer who <br> invented it. |
| March | The third month of the Gregorian <br> calendar between February and <br> April. | Mars, the Roman god of war. |
| Oscar | The annual award for best <br> performances by the Academy of <br> Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. | This name originated from Oscar <br> Pierce, US wheat farmer and fruit <br> grower. |
| sandwich | Food on a slice of bread or between <br> two slices, eaten with the hands. | John Montagu, 4th Earl of <br> Sandwich (1718-1792), an English <br> aristocrat after whom Captain <br> James Cook also named the <br> Sandwich Islands. |
| Eponym | Meaning | Origin |
| saxophone |  |  |
| volcano |  |  |
| Eiffel <br> Tower |  |  |
| Boycott |  |  |


| Mount <br> Everest |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

## Euphemistic words

Using an inoffensive words in the place of an offensive words are known as Euphemistic words.

## Common Euphemisms in English

| unemployed | between jobs |
| :---: | :---: |
| old | over the hill |
| enjoying your retired life | staying on the tractor |
| died | passed away |
| stupid | intellectually challenged |
| slow Learners | late bloomers |
| unemployed | between jobs |

Fill in the blanks with correct euphemisms for the given words.

| deaf, or hard of hearing | polite |
| :--- | :--- |
| mentally ill | disabled |
| fat | strong |
| blind | visually <br> impaired |
| liar | Telling <br> tall tales |

## Question Tag:

WHAT? Question tags are short questions at the end of the statements.

Father asks his son to confirm whether he wants a chocolate.

- He needs confirmation.

Suganya asks her friend to confirm that - she has a test tomorrow.
That's how tags are used to confirm that something is true or not and to encourage a reply from the person we are speaking to.

## How it formed?

Tags are formed with the auxiliary or modal verb, from the given statement with the appropriate subject (Pronoun)

## Auxiliary /modal + n't + Pronoun

- Negative auxiliaries and verbs in tags are usually in the contracted form ' $n$ 't.


## Contractions

| isn't - is not | wasn't - was not | aren't - are not | weren't -were not |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| don't - do not | doesn't - does not | didn't - did not | shan't - shall not |
| won't - will not | wouldn't - would <br> not | can't - can not | couldn't - could <br> not |
| haven't - have <br> not | hasn't - has not | hadn't -had not | shouldn't - should <br> not |

A Positive statement is followed by a negative question tag.


## Example :

- She is a doctor, Isn't she?
- The books are interesting, aren't they?
- I can swim, can't I?
- We should obey the elders, shouldn't we?
- Once the car was costly, wasn't it?

A negative statement is followed by a positive question tag.


## EXAMPLES

- We don't have enough time, do we?
- He is not playing well, is he?
- You were not listening, were you?
- Chandini hadn't seen you before, had she?
- Children shouldn't watch TV too much, should they?


## If the sentence has no auxiliary verb

When the statement is in simple present, we form the question tag with do/does.
You play the guitar, don't you?
Do + play
Deepa likes tennis, doesn't she?
Does like

When the statement is in simple past, we form the question tag with did.
He came yesterday, didn't he?
did + come

| You speak English, don't you? | You spoke English, Did you? |
| :---: | :---: |
| Sam hates cooking, doesn't he? | Sam hated cooking, didn't he? |
| He lives in Europe, doesn't he? | He lived in Europe, didn't he? |
| They drink tea, don't they? | They drank tea, didn't they? |
| I watch cricket, don't I? | I watched cricket, didn't I? |

Statements using barely, hardly, rarely, scarcely, neither, no, nobody, none, nothing and seldom are treated as negative statement.

## Some special cases

- He hardly works, does he? they seldom speak, do they?
- she rarely comes late, does she? He told nothing, did he?
- I am - I am a student, aren't I? but I am not a student, am I?
- Let's type sentences has the tag shall we Let's go home, shall we?
- Affirmative Imperative has the tag will you / won't you Read the book, will you?
- Everyone / Everybody / nobody / somebody / anybody take plural verb in tag Everyone is perfect, aren't they?
- Negative imperative has the tag will you Don't come late tomorrow, will you?
- Nothing has the tag 'it' in the affirmative
- This / That - These / Those have the tag isn't it - aren't they This article is very good, isn't it?
- There is / They are have the tag isn't here - aren't there There are some books on the table, aren't there?


## EXERCISE

a) Fill in the blanks with suitable tags.

1. She is collecting stickers, $\qquad$ isn't he $\qquad$ ?
2. We often watch TV in the afternoon, $\qquad$ don't we $\qquad$ ?
3. You have cleaned your bike, $\qquad$ haven't you $\qquad$ ?
4. John and Max don't like maths, $\qquad$ do they $\qquad$ ?
5. Peter played handball yesterday, $\qquad$ didn't he $\qquad$
6. They are going home from school, $\qquad$ aren't they $\qquad$
7. Mary didn't do her homework last Monday, $\qquad$ did she $\qquad$
8. He could have bought a new car, $\qquad$ couldn't he $\qquad$
9. Kevin will come tonight, $\qquad$ won't he $\qquad$ 10.I'm clever, $\qquad$ am not I $\qquad$ ?

## Fill in the blanks with suitable tags.

1. He is still sleeping, $\qquad$
a. is not he?
b. isn't he?
c. wasn't he?
2. You go to school,
a. do you?
b. aren't you?
c. don't you?
3. Let's go for a walk, $\qquad$
a. shall we?
b. shan't we?
c. will we?
4. We won't be late, $\qquad$
a. won't we?
b. will we?
c. are we?
5. Nobody called, $\qquad$ -
a. do they?
b. didn't they?
c. did they?
6. They will wash the car, $\qquad$
a. will it?
b. won't they?
c. wouldn't they?
7. We must lock the doors,
a. mustn't they?
b. shouldn't we?
c. mustn't we?
8. I'm right, $\qquad$
b. am not I?
c. aren't I?
9. So you bought a car, $\qquad$
a. did you?
b. haven't you?
c. weren't you ?
10. You wouldn't like to invite my Dad, $\qquad$
a. did you?
b. would you?
c. won't you?

## SENTENCES : SIMPLE, COMPOUND, AND COMPLEX

Simple sentence
A Simple sentence is one which has only one Subject and one Predicate.

## Example:-

i. His courage won him honour.
ii. He must work very hard to win the first prize.
iii. With a great effort he lifted the box.
iv. Hearing their father's footsteps, the boys ran away.
v. The man, being very hungry, ate too much.

## Compound sentence

A Compound sentence is one made up of two or more Principal or Main Clauses.

## Example:-

i. The moon was bright and we could see our way.
ii. Night came on and rain fell heavily and we all got very wet.
iii. I shall do it now or I shall not do it at all.
iv. He threw the stone but it missed the dog.
v. I both thanked him and rewarded him.
vi. You must hurry, or you will miss the train.
vii. Give me the book and I will read it.
viii. I ran all the way to the station but I missed the train.

## Complex Sentence

A Complex sentence consists of one Main Clause and one or more Subordinate Clauses.

## Example:-

i. They rested when evening came.
ii. If he is at home, I shall see him.
iii. I have found the book that I had lost.
iv. We selected this bicycle after we had tried several times.
v. Once upon a time a man owned a hen which laid every day a golden egg.
vi. The evil that men do lives after them.

## My Computer Needs A Break

## Glossary:

- brainy very intelligent
- absent-minded being forgetful
- vanish
disappear
- dreadful
unpleasant
- gobbled
ate hastily or greedily
- erratically - unsteadily or unpredictably
- squirm - to twist the body in discomfort


## The Mystery of the Cyber Friend

## Glossary

- nap
- friends net
- wonder
- offline
- shriek
- imposter
- confide - to trust
- cyber safety - safe and responsible use of phone and the internet
- cyber crime - criminal activities done using computers or the Internet
- scary - frightening

| Base form of verb (v1) | past (v2) | Past participle (v3) | Base form of verb (v1) | past (v2) | Past participle (v3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| be (is,am,are) | was, were | been | find | found | found |
| begin | began | begun | fly | flew | flown |
| bend | bent | bent | forget | forgot | forgotten |
| bite | bit | bitten | get | got | gotten |
| break | broke | broken | give | gave | given |
| bring | brought | brought | go | went | gone |
| build | built | built | have | had | had |
| buy | bought | bought | hear | heard | heard |
| catch | caught | caught | hide | hid | hidden |
| choose | chose | chosen | hold | held | held |
| come | came | come | hurt | hurt | hurt |
| cut | cut | cut | keep | kept | kept |
| dig | dug | dug | know | knew | known |
| do | did | done | leave | left | left |
| draw | drew | drawn | lend | lent | lent |
| drive | drove | driven | lose | lost | lost |
| drink | drank | drunk | make | made | made |
| eat | ate | eaten | meet | met | met |
| fall | fell | fallen | pay | paid | paid |
| feel | felt | felt | put | put | put |
| fight | fought | fought | read | read | read |
| ring | rang | rung | upset | upset | upset |
| rise | rose | risen | urge | urged | urged |
| run | ran | run | use | used | used |
| say | said | said | utter | uttered | uttered |
| see | saw | seen | value | valued | valued |
| sell | sold | sold | verify | verified | verified |
| send | sent | sent | view | viewed | viewed |
| show | showed | shown | wish | wished | wished |
| sing | sang | sung | wake | woke | woken |
| sit | sat | sat | walk | walked | walked |
| sleep | slept | slept | want | wanted | wanted |
| speak | spoke | spoken | waste | wasted | wasted |
| stand | stood | stood | watch | watched | watched |
| take | took | taken | wear | wore | worn |
| talk | talked | talked | win | won | won |
| taste | tasted | tasted | write | wrote | written |
| teach | taught | taught | work | worked | worked |
| tear | tore | torn | worry | worried | worried |
| tell | told | told | worship | worshiped | worshiped |
| think | thought | thought | yawn | yawned | yawned |
| throw | threw | thrown | yell | yelled | yelled |
| understand | understood | understood | yield | yielded | yielded |
| undo | undid | undone | zoom | zoomed | zoomed |

## Unit - 4

Nobel Prize
Since 1901, the Nobel Prize has been honoring men and women from all corners of the globe for outstanding achievements in physics, chemistry, medicine, literature, and for work in peace. The foundations for the prize were laid in 1895 when Alfred Nobel wrote his last will, leaving much of his wealth to the establishment of the Nobel Prize.

The Nobel Committee, in fact, a notoriously conservative body which among other things had a marked antipathy to pure sciences, especially to Mathematical Physics. Restrained .by a clause in Alfred Nobel's will that the prize should go to the person whose 'discovery or invention' shall have conferred the greatest benefit to mankind, the committee initially ignored the great theoretical advances in Physics. Wracked, no doubt, by guilt that he had become a merchant of death through his invention of dynamite and smokeless powder and plagued by sadistic fantasies of destruction, the Swedish chemist, engineer and aspiring poet, Alfred Nobel, who has been described as Europe's richest vagabond, left his colossal fortune to the cause of progress in human knowledge. Five prizes were installed, one each for literature ('to the person who shall have produced in the field of literature, the most outstanding Work of an idealistic tendency), Physics, Chemistry, medicine and peace to the person who shall have done the most or the best work for fraternity among nations for abolition or reduction of armies, and for holding or promotion of peace ${ }^{\prime}$.

