

**HOLIDAYS' HOME WORK, JUNE 2023**

**CLASS - VIII**

**ENGLISH**

**CREATIVE WRITING (Do the work in English Notebook)**

**DESCRIPTIVE PARAGRAPH WRITING**

**Write a brief description in 150 words of your school gardener. You may use the following hints:**

Age : 53 years

Height/weight- six feet, solid build, good physique

Family: six children, four boys two girls, wife: housewife

Education: matriculation, joined the school 25 years back

Hobbies: gardening, seeing films

Preference: a peaceful life in the lap of nature, discharging familial responsibilities. As per the cultural values, does not like the changing fashions and values.

**Write a brief description of your grandmother, using the following hints in 150 words:**

Age: 65 years

Height/weight: 5 feet,5 inches, good physique

Education: Post graduation, B.Ed, retired school Principal

Likes/ dislikes: like old cultural values, a disciplined life with paying due respect to all the deities — dislikes wastage of time, modernism in clothes , food, behaviour, etc.

Preferences: wants her family to be groomed in our ancient culture with due emphasis on maintenance of old values and traditions-narrates stories from scriptures.

**Last summer vacation you went to your friend's village. His grandmother looked after you as if you were her grandchild. Describe her in 100-150 words.**

**You recently visited a flower nursery. You were excited to see so many kinds of flowers and plants. Describe in about 100-150 words on a 1/4 sheet with colourful pictures which you can either draw or paste about your experience of your visit.**

- **Read Supplementary book**

**\* 'It So Happened' \***

- Lesson 1-5 and do the first Comprehension Check of each chapter :

Lesson 1- How the Camel Got his hump- page -3

Lesson 2- Children at work -page-9

Lesson 3- The Selfish Giant -page-20

Lesson 4-The treasure within-page-28

Lesson 5- Princess September-page-38

- Complete the comprehension passages to be discussed in the class after the Summer break.
- Complete the grammar worksheet sent in your class groups.(Take the print out and paste it in your English notebooks then solve it)
- Revise all the work done.
- Read newspaper every day.
- Try to learn at least one new word each day

- Follow a disciplined routine during holidays.

### PASSAGE-1

Asha, a little girl, about 12 years old lived in a big house. She loved looking out of the big window, admiring the sun set and listening to her favourite song "oh ri chori....." Humming the song, she walked towards the centre of the room in a very rhythmic manner as if trying to match her steps with the beat of the song. She picked up the long round pillow (bolster) from the baithak and held it in her hands as if holding someone in a ball dance and took a round to match the music beats. Still humming the tune she picked up the Harry Potter book from the table and danced towards the bookshelf under the music system. "My heart, it speaks a thousand words I feel eternal bliss....." it was her favourite part of the song. She tried to lip sync the words, but missed a few and mispronounced many, but that did not stop her from trying till the last English word was sung. Her thoughts were soon interrupted with the sound of the door bell. As a reflex action she turned off the music, hustle took over the rhythm that enchanted this room a moment ago. Her little bare feet rushed towards the door. With no sign of the rhythm, she looked through the key hole of the antique wooden door and opened the door with a broad welcome smile. Mrs Khanna had brought some grocery items for the dinner party the next day. Without any exchange of words Asha grabbed the grocery bags from her big hands. Mrs Khanna entered the room with a sigh of relief and looked around the room as if feeling proud of her sense of decor. "Asha zara ek cup chai toh pila de" she said without even looking at the little girl who was carrying the heavy bags towards the kitchen. Asha dumped the grocery bags in the kitchen door and returned with a glass of chilled water for her Mistress.

### Questions

1. Who was Mrs Khanna?

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| (a) Asha's mother   | (b) Asha's sister |
| (c) Asha's employer | (d) Asha's friend |

2. Where had Mrs Khanna gone?

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| (a) To buy groceries for the party | (b) To buy flowers for the party |
| (c) To buy a dress for the party   | (d) To buy a new cell phone      |

3. Which issue gets highlighted through this story?

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| (a) Unfulfilled desires of a child labourer | (b) Uneducated children in a child marriage |
| (c) Female infanticide                      | (d) Dowry                                   |

4. Why did Asha switch off the music?

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| (a) Because she feared Mrs Khanna                   | (b) Because Mrs Khanna did not like that song |
| (c) Because Mrs Khanna's friends accompanied her    |   |
| (d) Because Asha was bored of listening to the song |   |

5. What does the word 'interrupt' mean?

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| (a) Cut short | (b) Dissuade | (c) Cheat | (d) Relax |
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6. Choose one word which defines something that is very old and traditional.

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| (a) Antique | (b) Mispronounced |
| (c) Décor   | (d) Hustle        |

## PASSAGE-2

If I return this time I must return greater.  
Not with pointed moustaches  
Twisted silly on the face not with tails of steel  
Tied to my waist  
I will give way to others and not give tigerish  
Devouring looks to them If I return  
I must return more human.  
Stepping out of home walking on the roads  
Boarding buses Catching trains  
If I survive the fate  
Of a run-over puppy I must return  
More thankful this time  
Not just licking my wounds  
But caring for all  
Completely human if I return at all

### Questions

1. What is the central theme of the poem?  
(a) To be more self centered (b) To be more self sufficient  
(c) To be more considerate (d) To be more carefree
2. According to the poet, his life is no different from.....  
(a) an animal (b) a dinosaur (c) a TV star (d) a celebrity
3. What does the repetition of the word 'If' suggest?  
(a) The poet's anger (b) The poet's love  
(c) The poet's irritation (d) The poet's uncertainty
4. According to the first stanza, what does the poet doesn't want to be.  
(a) Someone who is threatening (b) Someone who is caring  
(c) Someone who is mad (d) Someone who is kind
5. What is the synonym of the word 'survive'?  
(a) To be alive (b) To be dead  
(c) To be brave (d) To be kind
6. Choose a word from the passage which expresses gratitude.  
(a) Silly (b) Thankful  
(c) Devouring (d) Return

## PASSAGE-3

Once upon a time, there lived an old man in a village. He had four sons, but all four of them were very lazy. The old man tried hard to explain them the worth of hard work, but they paid no heed to what he said. The old man fell sick and was counting his last days in his death bed. He decided to make a last attempt at teaching his children the importance of hard work. He called all his four sons. He told them that he could die very soon. So, he wanted to tell them of a secret treasure box which contained lots of money, gold and gems. He wanted to distribute the contents of the box equally between his four sons.

The sons became very happy and asked their father where he had kept the treasure box. The father replied that he only remembered that he had buried the box in the backyard of their house. However, the exact location where he had hid the box he had now forgotten. A few days later their father died. The sons became sad as the father had not by then remembered the exact location of the box. The sons, though lazy, decided to dig the entire land in order to find their father's secret treasure box.

They dug the entire land, but could not find the box. They, then, decided to dig the land more deeply. They dug certain spots in the land so deeply that water emerged from there. One man observed them from a distance. He suggested them to plant vegetables and flowers in the land as the land had become very fertile because of abundant water. They did as the man had suggested. Soon, the garden was full of nutritious vegetables and flowers. The sons sold the produce in the market and earned lot of money. The sons understood that the secret treasure their father was referring to was their hard work which made the land fertile and made them wealthy.

### Questions

- The cause of old man's worry was
  - he was too old to work any more
  - he had no one to take care of him
  - all of his sons were very lazy
  - he had no money left with him
- Why did the sons dig up the entire land?
  - They realised the value of hard work
  - They wanted to find the treasure box which the father had mentioned
  - They wanted to grow food on the land
  - They dug up as their father had asked them to do so
- How did the land become very fertile?
  - The sons had scattered fertiliser on it
  - The land turned fertile in itself
  - The land was fully watered by the sons
  - The sons had dug up the land very deeply in search of the treasure box
- What lesson did the sons understand in the end/after their father's death?
  - Value of laziness
  - Value of making their land fertile
  - Their father waited them to live together
  - Secret treasure was nothing but their hard work
- Give the synonym of the word 'abundant'.
  - Plentiful
  - Sufficient
  - Ample
  - All of these
- Give the antonym of the word 'Lazy'.
  - Active
  - Tired
  - Lethargic
  - Cheerful

## PASSAGE-4

Some people know what it is like,  
To be short for the rent  
To be short for the light  
To be short for school books  
To wait in Community Welfare waiting rooms full of smoke  
To wait 2 years to have a tooth looked at,  
To wait another 2 years to have the same tooth out,  
To be half strangled by your problematic veins,  
But you are 198th on the list.  
To be out of work  
To be out of money  
To be out of fashion  
To be out of friend  
To be in space for the milkman  
(Sorry, Mommy isn't in today, she's gone to  
Mars for the weekend)  
To be second hand  
To be second class  
To be no class  
To be looked down on  
And other people just don't understand

### Questions

1. Why are some people out of fashion?
2. What does the poet convey by saying that some people are 198th on the list?
3. What excuse is given to the milkman and why?
4. By repeating the phrase, "to wait for 2 years, for your tooth to be looked at....", what does the poet emphasize on?
5. What is the meaning of the word strangled?
6. Use the phrase 'second hand' in a sentence of your own.

### PUNJABI

ਲੇਖ - ਪਹਾੜ ਦੀ ਸੈਰ, ਨੌਜਵਾਨਾਂ ਵਿਚ ਵਿਦੇਸ਼ ਦਾ ਰੁਝਾਨ

ਪੱਤਰ-

- ਮੁਹੱਲੇ ਦੀ ਸਫ਼ਾਈ ਬਾਰੇ ਸ਼ਹਿਰ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਨੂੰ ਪੱਤਰ ਲਿਖੋ।
- ਆਪਣੇ ਸਕੂਲ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਨੂੰ ਪੜ੍ਹਾਈ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ-ਨਾਲ ਹੋਰ ਗਿਆਨ ਵਧਾਉ ਪੁਸਤਕਾਂ ਲਾਇਬ੍ਰੇਰੀ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਪੜ੍ਹਨ ਵਾਸਤੇ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਪੱਤਰ ਲਿਖੋ।

ਕਿਰਿਆਤਮਕ ਕੰਮ (1/4 ਸ਼ੀਟ)

- ਦੇਸ਼ ਭਗਤੀ ਨੂੰ ਦਰਸਾਉਂਦੀ ਕੋਈ ਕਵਿਤਾ / ਚਾਰਟ
- ਚਿੱਤਰ ਵਰਨਣ

ਜਮਾਤ ਵਿਚ ਕਰਵਾਇਆ ਗਿਆ ਕੰਮ ਯਾਦ ਕਰੋ।

## HINDI

1. अनुच्छेद लिखिए :- त्योहारों का महत्व, विद्यार्थी और अनुशासन

2. पत्र लिखिए :-

अपने पिताजी को पत्र लिखकर विद्यालय के वार्षिक उत्सव विषय में बताइए ।

3. पाठ्य पुस्तक में से करवाए गए पाठ -1 से 4 तक के लघु तथा विस्तृत प्र०/उ० याद करें।

4. व्याकरण में से करवाए गए कार्य को (दीर्घ संधि, तत्पुरुष और कर्मधारय समास, पर्यायवाची शब्द) याद करें। संवाद लेखन शैली का अभ्यास करें।

5. हिंदी दिवस पर नारा या कविता लिखें और चित्रों के साथ सुसज्जित करें।

## MATHEMATICS

### ASSIGNMENT

- 1) Solve:  $\frac{1}{2}(m-1) + 5 = \frac{1}{3}(2m+1)$
- 2) Solve:  $\frac{6x+1}{2} = \frac{7x-3}{3} - 1$
- 3) Solve:  $\frac{x+2}{x-2} + \frac{x+3}{x-3} = 2$
- 4) Verify that  $x=2$  is solution of equation  
 $4.4x - 3.8 = 5$
- 5) Find the perfect square numbers between 40 and 50
- 6) Find the value of  $27^2 - 26^2$
- 7) Check whether 6,8,10 is a pythagorean triplet
- 8) Find the square root of following by prime factorisation  
a) 4096 b) 7056
- 9) Find the least square number that is divisible by each of 4,8 and 12
- 10) Find the square root of a) 1056.25 b) 10020.01
- 11) What is least number that must be subtracted from 3793 so as to get a perfect square?
- 12) Find the length of diagonal of rectangle with dimensions 20m by 15m.
- 13) 5929 students are sitting in lawn such that there are as many students in a row as there are rows in lawn. How many rows are there in lawn
- 14) Find the square root of 44944 by long division
- 15) Find the cubes of a) 0.001 b) 0.8
- 16) Find the cube root of 3375
- 17) Find the cube root of 0.729
- 18) Find the square root of 225 by successive subtraction
- 19) The area of rectangle whose length is twice its breadth is  $2450 \text{ m}^2$ . Find the perimeter of it.
- 20) Which of following is perfect square  
11, 12, 16, 32, 36

❖ **NOTE: DO ALL THE EXAMPLES FROM NCERT BOOK AND ABOVE ASSIGNMENT ON SEPARATE NOTEBOOK.**

## **SCIENCE**

1) Revise the syllabus done in the class and also complete your notebooks.

### **2) Activities and Projects:**

a) Sow some seeds in the soil and arrange to water them by drip irrigation. Observe daily.

(i) Do you think it can save water?

(ii) Note the changes in the seed.

b) Collect different types of seeds and put them in small bags. Label them.

c) Collect pictures of some other agricultural machines and paste them in a notebook. Write their names and uses.

### **d) Project Work**

Visit a farm, nursery or a garden nearby. Gather information about

(i) importance of seed selection.

(ii) method of irrigation.

(iii) effect of extreme cold and extreme hot weather on the plants.

(iv) effect of continuous rain on the plants.

(v) fertilisers/manure used.

**Do holidays homework on separate notebook.**

## **SOCIAL SCIENCE**

1. Make a chart on A4 Sheet on the following topics as per the given roll numbers:

<b><u>Topic</u></b>	<b><u>Roll numbers</u></b>
a) <u>Social issues</u> ( Sati pratha, child marriage, Child labour, Caste system) Any one	1 – 8
b) <u>Social reformers</u> ( Raja Ram Mohan Roy, Swami Vivekananda, Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar, Mahatma Gandhi, Mother Teresa) Any one	9 – 16
c) Traditional methods of farming	17 – 20
d) Modern methods of farming	21 onwards

### **Note:**

- Charts should be neat and clean.
- Charts should be presentable with proper border.

2. Revise the syllabus done in the class.

## **COMPUTER**

❖ Make A4 chart on any 1 topic:

- Cloud Computing
- Artificial Intelligence

❖ Revise the syllabus done in the class and also complete your notebook.