# **GRAMMAR (CLASS-6)**

### **CHAPTER-1 THE SENTENCE**

- A. 1. My friends are helpful and kind.

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  - 2. Would and coffee you like some more tea ↓  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$ ┰ model verb pronoun verb det. adjective noun conjunction noun
  - 3. forgot the pen Ι to give to Aman.  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$ ↓ pronoun verb prep. verb article noun prep. noun
  - 4. Everyday is a new day.

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  - 5. plastic Don't throw the road. bags on  $\downarrow$ ↓ verb verb compound noun (noun + noun) prep. article noun
  - 6. Amrita threw the stick John.  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$ verb article noun prep. noun noun
  - 7. The watchman switched the lights. on ┰ ↓  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$ ↓ article verb article noun prep. noun
  - 8. The naughty child disturbed the neighbours.  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$ article adjective noun verb article noun
  - 9. The school choir sang loud and clear.

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  - 10. Bees live in a hive.  $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$  noun verb prep. article noun
- B. 1. The horse round and round in circles trotted.
  - 2. The staff and the students left early in the morning.
  - 3. My sister will visit with her baby.
  - 4. The ticket checker caught a number of travellers without tickets.
  - 5. My father and his brother have decided to shift to Chennai.
  - 6. Everybody has a good story to tell.
  - 7. The Sleeping Beauty slept for a long time.
  - 8. Abhay's parents decided to go for a walk.
  - 9. The girls invite you to a variety entertainment.
  - 10. The function was organised well.

C.	Subject	Predicate						
	1. He	borrowed a sketch pen from his friend.						
	2	keep away from bad company.						
	3. The boys of this school	are well-behaved.						
	4. I	can speak English with great ease.						
	5. The wolf	wanted to devour the lamb.						
	6. Plants and animals	depend on each other.						
	7. My School	will reopen in the first week of July.						
	8. Leena	loves to play the guitar.						
	9. Beautiful flowers	covered the entire hillside.						
	10. The lively child	kept his mother busy all day.						
	11. Sumit	has still not reached his destination.						
	12. Sonia	screamed when she saw a spider in her desk.						
	13. The car	moved slowly towards the gate.						
	14. The little girl	ran happily across the ground.						
	15. A large fox	chased the rabbit into its burrow.						

- D. 1. The given sentence can be expressed as -I predict that there might be.....) so, here the subject is 'I'.
  - 2. His parents 3. You (unexpressed)
- 4. India 5. anyone
- 6. I

- 7. The rain 8. you
- E. 1. are the fastest animals. 2. lives in London. 3. are more than hundred years of age. 4. was the centre attraction of the party. 5. is the longest river in the world. 6. is made up of eighteen carat gold. 7. is hot ball of burning gases. 8. are not comfortable to me. 9. must be the part of a gentleman's personality. 10. the palace attracts the people who have a great interest in history and archaeology.
- F. 1. Elephants 2. The Rose Garden and the Museum 3. Ruskin Bond 4. His brother 5. A large tree 6. The class 7. A herd of sheep 8. They 9. The Taj Mahal
- G. 1. Thinking and writing, what a good combination!
  - 2. You are advised not to go home yet.
  - 3. Write a letter today only.
  - 4. You should stop the car immediately.
  - 5. We cannot forget those happy days.
  - 6. She will come here tomorrow.
  - 7. What a beautiful flower it is!
  - 8. But for your help, I would not have been ruined.
  - 9. You are requested to post this letter.
  - 10. She did not come to my party today.
  - 11. He is a nice gentleman.
  - 12. Is this not the way to spin a top?

- 13. You have eaten your breakfast.
- 14. What if I were a bird!
- 15. Do bring the documents tomorrow.
- Did they win the game by a big margin? H. 1.
  - Can the solve this problem effectively? 2.
  - 3. Is she very good at writing?
  - 4. Is sea very calm today?
  - 5. Does the run a hotel in Delhi?
  - 6. Do you have a book?
  - 7. Do the soldiers spread out to look for the thief?
  - 8. Has India a huge unmanageable population?
  - 9. Does she live either in Chennai in Bangalore.
  - 10. Is he scared because he has not done his work?
- I. 1. How 2. What 3. Where 4. Which 5. Why 6. Who 7. What
  - 8. Which 9. What 10. How

#### **CHAPTER-2** KINDS OF NOUNS

- 1. books, pastime 2. music 3. Shakespeare, dramatist 3. chord progressions
  - 5. Taj Mahal, world, beauty 4. people, feelings
  - 6. vulture, talon, animal 7. papers, drawer 8. climate, mountains 9. Jack, Jane 10. team, trophy, football tournament
- B. 1. London, Thames – proper
  - queue, ticket-window common 2.
  - 3. Arun, Gulliver's Travels, Namrita, Peter Pan – proper
  - 4. girls, boys, work, farm - common
  - 5. committee – common
  - 6. Cleanliness, Godliness – abstract
  - 7. coins, viewers – collective
  - jury collective 8.
  - 9. school, college – common
  - 10. King Solomon proper, wisdom abstract
  - 11. Honesty abstract, policy common
- C. 2. (i) 3. (iii) 1. (ii) 4. (ii)
- D. 1. 2. Hospital 3. Apple 4. Doctors 6. air Bouquet 5. sweater
- E. 1. mule – obstinacy
  - 3. stone – hardness
  - 5. children – laughter
  - 7. warrior – bravery
  - book study
- deep depth F. 1.
  - 3. proud – pride
  - 5. decent – decency

- 2. back stiffness
- 4. wafers crispness
- 6. rubber elasticity
- 8. sugar sweetness
- 2. disappoint disappointment
- 4. refuse refusal
- 6. punish punishment

- 7. excite excitement
- 8. happy happiness

9. deny – denial

- 10. free freedom
- 11. judge judgement

#### CHAPTER-3 THE VERB – KINDS OF VERBS

- A. 1. clicks 2. gurgles 3. explodes 4. blares 5. squeak 6. squeak 7. hiss 8. clash
- B. 1. flashed 2. shouted 3. erupted 4. banned 5. appreciated 6. released
  - 7. helped 8. ploughed 9. passed 10. caught
- C. 1. transitive 2. transitive 3. transitive 4. transitive 5. transitive 6. transitive
  - 7. transitive 8. transitive
- D. 1. pairs of shoes direct object
  - 2. refreshments direct object
  - 3. crickets direct object
  - 4. box of apples direct object, Kashmir Indirect object
  - 5. old direct object
  - 6. full of rain direct object
  - 7. bag direct object, Tanya indirect object
  - 8. fruits direct object, friends indirect object

### CHAPTER-4 THE ADVERB – KINDS OF ADVERBS

- A. 1. I have heard the story near before.
  - 2. You will find the washroom downstairs.
  - 3. She sings upstairs loudly everyday.
  - 4. I hurt my knee badly today.
  - 5. Last week, we were in Bangalore.
  - 6. I wonder why he has gone.
  - 7. My uncle often goes fishing.
  - 8. They haven't written back yet.
  - 9. She always does her work quietly in the class.
  - 10. They are always late.
  - 11. He goes rarely for playing.
  - 12. The summers here are generally very hot.
  - 13. Luckily, we caught the train on time.
  - 14. He plays the guitar pretty well.
  - 15. He drove the car nearly over the fence.
- B. 1. attentively 2. uncertainly 3. immediately 4. profusely 5. truely
  - 6. simultaneously 7. greedily 8. independently 9. anxiously 10. unanimously
  - 11. stubbornly 12. evenly
- C. 1. foolishly Adverb of Manner
  - 2. downwards Adverb of Place
  - 3. entirely Adverb of Place

- 4. upwards Adverb of Place
- 5. angrily Adverb of Manner
- 6. everywhere Adverb of Place
- 7. early Adverb of Time
- 8. how Interrogative Adverb
- 9. seldom Adverb of Certainty
- 10. loosely, easily Adverb of Manner
- D. 1. cheerfully 2. comfortably 3. terribly 4. automatically 5. violently 6. seriously 7. beautifully 8. grumpily 9. clearly 10. swiftly
- E. 1. Sideways 2. widely 3. worriedly 4. Lazily 5. Hard 6. How

### CHAPTER-5 THE ADJECTIVES – KINDS OF ADJECTIVES

Sr. No.	Adjective of Quantity	Adjective of Quality			
1.	Half, no	better			
2.	tenth	•••••			
3.	first	gold			
4.	much				
5.	all	•••••			
6.	Either	•••••			
7.	little	•••••			
8.	All, no	•••••			
9.	sufficient	•••••			
10.	enough				

- B. 1. sufficient 2. any 3. every 4. which 5. boring 5. every 6. her
- C. 1. expensive designer. 2. small black Egyptian. 3. beautiful young Greek
  - 4. big black 5. successful German 6. old wooden 7. wonderful Italian
  - 8. beautiful red
- D. 1. Imaginary 2. National 3. Choosy 4. circular 5. delicious 6. violent

### CHAPTER-6 THE PRONOUN – KINDS OF PRONOUNS

- A. 1. we 2. he 3. it 4. he 5. he 6. it 7. she 8. we 9. she 10. she 11. it 12. they 13. she 14. she 15. they
- B. 1. me 2. me 3. her 4. it 5. him 6. you 7. them 8. him 9. it 10. them
- C. 3, 4, 8, 9, have incorrect pronouns.
- D. 1. who 2. this 3. which 4. whom 5. whose 6. which 7. it 8. which 9. those 10. whose 11. whose 12. who 13. that 14. yours 15. who
- E. 1. yourself 2. herself 3. himself 4. yourself 5. ourselves 6. itself 7. themselves 8. himself 9. herself 10. myself
- F. 1. It is her dog. 2. This is Imran's camera. 3. This is their house. 4. This is my company. 5. This is my pen.

#### CHAPTER-7 PHRASES AND CLAUSES

- A. 1. of great weight 2. in need 3. with cool shady trees 4. red in colour 5. in time 6. with a strange device 7. full of flowers 8. of their country
- B. 1. simultaneously 2. lastly 3. late 4. quite often 5. loudly 6. suddenly 7. quickly 8. here
- C. 1. the frail old lady
  - 2. large, colourful, conical party hats
  - 3. its mother
  - 4. to school
  - 5. tell thin man
  - 6. to her youngest grandchild.
  - 7. the cloth
  - 8. lion's roar
- D. 1. when compared to the moon.
  - 2. when asked for help.
  - 3. because I have no authority.
  - 4. when I visited the same place again.
  - 5. because he commits mistakes so frequently.
  - 6. because she works hard.
  - 7. because we are struck in traffic jam.
- E. 1. until the next train comes adverb clause
  - 2. that Krishna has won the prize noun clause
  - 3. as we go forward adjective clause
  - 4. that I am a fool noun clause
  - 5. that you will visit us noun clause
  - 6. when you did this adjective clause

### CHAPTER-8 NOUN-NUMBER, GENDER, POSSESSIVES

- A. 1. The rivers flow to the sea.
  - 2. There are new girls in our class.
  - 3. The keys were difficult to use.
  - 4. The streets were being cleaned.
  - 5. The walls are being painted.
  - 6. The plants have been watered.
  - 7. The hedges are being trimmed.
  - 8. The toys were being sold at a discount.
  - 9. The parcels are being opened.
  - 10. Leaders should lead by examples.
  - 11. Herrings are very small fish.
  - 12. Newspapers are read by many people.

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- B. 1. Her landlady is a very good businessman.
  - 2. My father's sister is my aunt.
  - 3. The shepherdess gave some grain to the peahens.
  - 4. There is a magnificent lioness and tigress in our zoo.
  - 5. The subjects will greet their king on his birthday.
  - 6. I saw a gander and a drake in the pond.
  - 7. I am her nephew not her cousin.
  - 8. This is my father and she is his daughter-in-law.
  - 9. The vixen lives in a cage in the forest.
  - 10. There are many rams, cows and horses in the farm.
- C. 1. Leaves 2. teeth 3. Seasons 4. Geese 5. Socks 6. Boys 7. wives 8. women 9. fishermen 10. knives
- D. 1. husband 2. actress 3. sheep 4. vixen 5. gander 6. bridegroom 7. priestess 8. witch 9. empress 10. giantess 11. tigress 12. gentleman
- E. 1. the street's length 2. the concert's beginning 3. the deficit size 4. children's answers 4. the visitor's map 5. building height

#### CHAPTER-9 DEGREES OF COMPARISON

- A. 1. less 2. fewer 3. less 4. less 5. least
- B. 1. poorer, poorest 2. later, latest 3. happier, happiest 4. thinner, thinnest 5. more sunny, most sunny 6. harder, hardest 7. cleverer, cleverest 8. lighter, lightest 9. better, best 10. shorter, shortest
- C. 1. the most expensive 2. the most interesting 3. the best 4. the saddest 5. the strongest 6. more nervous 7. the shortest 8. wealthier 9. more often 10. cleaner
- D. 2. Farming is more profitable than fishery.
  - 3. More people lost their lives in the war of Plassey than the war of Kalinga.
  - 4. The novel, the Guide is more interesting than the novel, Swami and the friends.
  - 5. I have more hectic schedule on Monday than Saturday.
  - 6. Mumbai is more thickly populated than Delhi.
  - 7. Our drawing room is more spacious than our bedroom.
  - 8. China is more populous than India.
  - 9. The journey by train is more convenient than the bus.
  - 10. The steel almirah in our house is more expensive than the wooden almirah.
- E. 1. It is snowing heavier than ever.
  - 2. Karim is learning his lessons more carefully than his sister.
  - 3. It is a hotter day today than yesterday.
  - 4. He arrived later than you.
  - 5. I shall leave earlier for school today than tomorrow.
  - 6. I shall score better in the next exams.
  - 7. Vikramaditya ruled more wisely than most other kings.
  - 8. You must write faster next time.

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#### CHAPTER-10 SUBJECT – VERB AGREEMENT

- 2. have 3. is 4. was 5. sells 6. is 7. was 8. are 9. were A. 1. was 15. have 16. has 10. is 11. was 12. are 13. has 14. have 17. were
- 2. has 3. is 4. are 5. have 6. is 7. are 8. are 9. are B. 1. are 10. is 11. are 12. is 13. has 14. is 15. is
- C. 1. My friends have just returned from a holiday.
  - 2. The streets are flooded with water.
  - 3. The cars were parked in the garage.
  - 4. The houses were built many years back.
  - 5. The children fell ill due to the bad weather.
  - 6. Our friends take their cars to office.
  - 7. The aeroplanes have made travel quicken.
  - 8. My brothers go to office everyday.
- D. 1. Mauritius <u>are</u> a volcanic island in the Indian Ocean. It <u>are</u> known for the racial harmony among its mixed population of Asians, Europeans and Africans. The country <u>are</u> home to some of the <u>worlds</u> rarest plants and animals, But human habitation <u>have</u> threatened its original flora and fauna.
  - 2. Antarctica <u>are</u> the coldest continent in the world. It <u>are</u> also the most isolated. The animals living here <u>has</u> adapted to life in extremely cold conditions. Some animals <u>has</u> a layer of fat to protect them from the cold.

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#### CHAPTER-11 FINITE AND NON-FINITE VERBS

- A. 1. to handle the odd situation of the life.
  - 2. help his neighbour.
  - 3. pen to write.
  - 4. to place these books.
  - 5. to drive a car.
  - 6. to cook food for the family.
  - 7. to take a taxi.
  - 8. to deliver a lecture on the environment.
  - 9. to face any kind of challenge.
  - 10. to tackle the nonsense behaviour of Amit.
  - 11. to appear in the class for group discussion
  - 12. to give a lecture on value system in India.
  - 13. to participate in adventurous sports.
- B. 1. The security was tightened to check crime in the city.
  - 2. I switch on the television to watch my favourite show.
  - 3. Saroj went to her grandma's place to look after her.
  - 4. The students studied hard to pass their examination.
  - 5. This book is too difficult to understand.
  - 6. I was in Nepal to visit the temples.
  - 7. It was too noisy to sleep there.
  - 8. I used two buckets to store water.
  - 9. Martin Luther King appealed to the crowd to remain peaceful.
  - 10. The thief ran hard to escape the police.
- C. 1. singing gerund 6. shouting participle
  - 2. painting gerund 7. running –
  - 3. shouting gerund 8. running participle
  - 4. singing participle 9. crying participle
  - 5. trying participle
- D. 1. smoking 2. painting 3. travelling 4. reading 5. dancing
- E. 1. They turned around to see a herd of standing cows.
  - 2. The locked gate could not allow the dog to run out.
  - 3. The angry man scolded the boy soundly.
  - 4. It was the hot day and he switched on the fan.
  - 5. Calling out Alice's name, she went into the house.
  - 6. The beaten man lay unconscious on the floor.

#### CHAPTER-12 THE TENSE

- A. 1. revolves 2. frequently win 3. washes 4. teaches 5. slowly comes
  - 6. cooks 7. want 8. often plays 9. decide 10. eagerly leave 11. takes 12. patiently wait 13. enjoys 14. quickly-water, gets 15. happily, plays

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- B. 1. have visited 2. have visited 3. have visited 4. have visited
  - 5. has visited 6. has visited 7. has visited 8. have taken

- C. 1. Mrs. Joseph patiently waited for the doctor to call her into the clinic.
  - 2. He treated his employees kindly.
  - 3. The honest police officer refused to take a bribe.
  - 4. The old house looked still just as it had when he last visited.
  - 5. She stitched the frock before her daughter came from school.
  - 6. The sun slowly dropped below the horizon as we watched.
  - 7. The teacher finished the course before the exam took place.
  - 8. The principal spoke kindly to the crying child.
- D. are, is, are, seem, have, have, are
- E. 1. will have been 2. will live 3. will 4. will see 5. will, go, will have finished, will be looking

### F. A day in the life of Mrs. and Mr. Bajaj.

On that day, Mr. and Mrs. Bajaj got up early in the morning. At 6 am., Mrs. Bajaj showered and then went to the kitchen. By the time, Mr. Bajaj showered and shaved and got ready for the day. They ate breakfast at 7:30 am. Mrs. Bajaj planned her work at 7:30 am to 8:30 am. By this time Mr. Bajaj completed account statements. Mrs. Bajaj then went to the university and taught there from 9 am to 10 am. Mr. Bajaj met a client at 9:30 am. Mrs. Bajaj taught a class of underpriviledged and then she had lunch. Mr. Bajaj had a meeting with his secretary from 10 am to 12 noon. After that he gave a presentation in the office. The lunch time in his office was 1 pm to 3 pm. He had lunch then. Mrs. Bajaj went for social work to the hospital at 1 pm. and she remained there till 3 pm. Then she got medicines for the sick. By this time, Mr. Bajaj had a meeting with company directors. Mr. and Mrs. Bajaj had a great interest in sports. They went to sports club at 6 pm. Mrs. Bajaj played tennis and Mr. Bajaj played cricket. They played till 7:30 pm. They came home 8 pm. Mrs. Bajaj prepared dinner. Mr. Bajaj helped his wife. They had dinner then and sleep by 10 pm.

#### **CHAPTER-13 PREPOSITION**

- A. 1. of 2. of 3. to 4. down, under 5. for 6. for 7. at 8. upon 9. in, from 10. during 11. on, in 12. on 13. for 14. to
- B. 1. Smoking is <u>injurious</u> to health.
  - 2. He is guilty of his bad behaviour in the party.
  - 3. I congratulate him on his birthday.
  - 4. This scheme is unlikely to prove popular with middle class segment of this society.
  - 5. We rely on our parents for food and clothing.
  - 6. He insisted on his innocence.
  - 7. He is <u>ashamed</u> of his dishonest ways.
  - 8. You should pay <u>attention to</u> the Principal when he was telling about the usefulnesses of various crash courses.
  - 9. I have no objection to him coming to stay.
  - 10. I have a great interest in drawing and painting.
  - 11. I am prepared for all kinds of problems.
  - 12. She is seeking an opportunity for answering his bad behaviour.

- 13. He left early, complaining of his stomachache.
- 14. I strongly object to her habit of interfering in other's lives.
- 15. I am grateful to Mr. Sinha that he entertained my children so well.
- 16. She is really worthy of this very prestigious prize.
- 17. She has resigned last week and now she is not related to this company in any way.
- 18. I am proud of my father because he is so good and caring.
- 19. I have rented a house in this city, now I have a strong need for a car.
- 20. I have a great affection for the state of Goa.
- 21. These two roads are parallel to each other.

#### **CHAPTER-14 CONJUNCTIONS**

- A. 1. since, subordinate conjunction
  - 2. while, subordinate conjunction
  - 3. because, co-ordinate conjunction
  - 4. although, subordinate conjunction
  - 5. though, subordinate conjunction
  - 6. both, co-ordinate conjunction
  - 7. but, co-ordinate conjunction
  - 8. because, co-ordinate conjunction
  - 9. as, co-ordinate conjunction
  - 10. unless, subordinate conjunction

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- C. 1. All must listen and obey.
  - 2. **Either** write properly or don't write at all.
  - 3. I bought some sweets **so that** I ate them on the way home.
  - 4. I couldn't go out **because** my dad came home.
  - 5. I put on my shoes **and** went out to play.
  - 6. He is ordinary looking yet very popular.
  - 7. Although the teacher teaches well, the children don't pay attention.
  - 8. She has not won the prize.

#### CHAPTER-15 DIRECT AND INDIRECT SPEECH

- A. 1. Grandfather said that grandmother and he might go to Shimla the next week.
  - 2. Amit told his sister that it was her turn to play then.

- 3. Alisha requested to lend her a pen.
- 4. The teacher said that the Nile is a very long river.
- 5. The mother told her son to go to his room and do his homework.
- 6. Mother told Amit that she had never seen a lazy boy like him.
- 7. Amit's mother said that all the children had gone.
- 8. Gaurish said that his father would go to London the next day.
- 9. Puneet said that he had been reading this book the day before.
- 10. The stuntman told the audience not to try this at home.
- 11. The mother exclaimed to her daughter that the scarf was beautiful.
- 12. Sarika told her brother that she had taken his notebook.
- 13. My father said that he was going to buy a refrigerator.
- 14. Neetu said that Anamika had gone to the station an hour ago.
- 15. Jolly and Paul said that their board exams began the next day.
- 16. Anmol told Anita to give him her pen.
- 17. The teacher said that India became independent in 1947.
- 18. He said that he liked that lesson in the book.
- 19. Priya said that her brother would celebrate his birthday the next week.
- 20. Ali said that he had spent all his money that weekend.
- B. 1. Sonia said, "I go for a walk with my grandmother everyday."
  - 2. The teacher said to the pupil, "Why are you late?"
  - 3. The man said to me, "Do you like the flavour of ice cream?"
  - 4. Mother said to Anuj, "You will be late for school if you do not hurry."
  - 5. Kareena said, "It is pleasant today."
  - 6. He said, "I have been going to play everyday."
  - 7. He said, "Will you attend school?"
  - 8. She said "I travelled to Paris the last year."
  - 9. Harman said to Vivaan, "Congrats! You have succeeded in the examination."
  - 10. The farmer said, "The monsoon rains end the three year drought."
- C. 1. requested 2. warned 3. exclaimed 4. instructed 5. complained
- D. 1. Jack told his mother that Jill had invited him to her birthday party on Monday. He asked his mother if she would let him go.
  - Mummy replied if he would finish his homework, she would let her go to the party.
  - 2. The waiter asked the customer what he would like to order. The customer replied that he would have noodles with manchurian.
    - The waiter then wanted to know whether he would like anything to drink.
    - The customer said that he would like to have pepsi.
    - The waiter enquired if he would like to order anything else.
    - The customer refused him politely.
  - 3. Anil informed Mr. Anand that there was a meeting in the conference room at 6 p.m. Mr. Anand thanked Anil for the information. Anil said that it had been decided that morning. Mr. Anand said that he would be there.

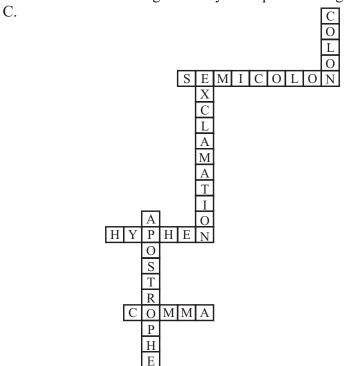
#### **CHAPTER-16 ARTICLES**

- A. 1. the, a  $2. \times 3$ . a, a, a 4. the, the 5. the, the, a 6. the, the,  $\times 7$ . the, the
  - 8. the, a, × 9. the, the, 10. a, a 11. the, the, × 12. ×, the 13. a
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  - 20. the 21. the, the 22. an, an, a 23. the, the,  $\times$  24. a, a, an
- B. 1. He is coward
  - 2. Don't make a noise.
  - 3. The Diamond is the hardest metal.
  - 4. I love going to the cinema.
  - 5. He is the best player.
  - 6. He loves to read the Gita.
  - 7. Milk is white.
  - 8. God knows what's in our hearts.
- C. 1. I had an encyclopedia.
  - 2. The brave fire fighter rescued the small child from the building.
  - 3. The poor should be helped.
  - 4. The insect is a small animal.
  - 5. The old man called his sons to his bedside.
  - 6. The stars were shining bright.
  - 7. We went to a new picnic spot.
  - 8. He is known to be an honest man.
  - 9. I will have to call an honest man.
  - 10. The Nile is the longest river in the world.

#### **CHAPTER-17 PUNCTUATION**

- A. 1. The commanders in Chief met to discuss the war situation.
  - 2. We ate a pizza, a pie salads and had lots of cold drinks.
  - 3. The river flooded its banks; the huts were swept away.
  - 4. Will the chief guest Mr. M. S. Khurana give away the prizes.
  - 5. We are having lots of fun in the games period.
  - 6. Have you washed the boys' school uniforms?
  - 7. We had a great time in France; the kids really enjoyed it.
  - 8. "Do I really need to go to Goa?" asked my sister.
  - 9. Don't walk too close to the rivers edge or you will slip into the water.
  - 10. Jawaharlal Nehru was the first Prime Minister of India.
  - 11. Minu drank cold water.
  - 12. Saturday and Sunday make a weekend.
  - 13. It's my birthday; I have been gifted a frock; its colour is red.
  - 14. I have six months work to complete by the twentieth.
  - 15. Simran, the monitor of our class read out the names of the boys.

- 16. "Where are you going?" asked Jack.
- 17. I am feeling ill today, I have a headache and nausea complaint.
- 18. "Put the books on the table," said my mother.
- 19. Have you read the stories of Sindbad and Ali Baba in the Arabian Nights.
- 20. "Let's eat," grandfather suggested Mira.
- B. 1. "What is the matter, John. Is it that old pain of yours again?" "No it's not that," said he. "But something a good deal better. Would you believe it my poor old uncle is dead and he has left me five thousand pounds?" "That was very good of him," she replied. "But it comes too late," "Why," he enquired. "Because," she answered, "Now you are old and broken in health. What a pity it is that he did not die twenty years ago."
  - 2. Mountains are of various heights and shapes. These variations are due to the age of the mountains. The Himalayas are young mountain, therefore, they are very high and have conical peaks. On the other hand, the Aravallis are old. Thus they are low and have rounded peaks.
  - 3. Two boys were playing marbles. Suddenly, they rushed to a hospital. The younger boy told the doctor, "I have swallowed a marble, doctor." "I see. Is this your brother with you" asked the doctor. The older boy replied, "No, I own the marble."
  - 5. It may seem strange that something you do for your teeth can have an effect on your heart. Doctors have came up with a few ideas about how flossing works to keep your heart healthy. One idea is that the germs that hurt your teeth can leave the mouth and travel into your blood. Germs that get into the blood can then attack your heart. Another idea is based on the fact that when there are too many germs in your mouth, the body tries to fight against these germs for some reason. The way the body fights these mouth germs may end up weakening the heart over time.



#### **CHAPTER-21 COMPOSITION**

## **Comprehension Passage – I**

- A. 1. The two basic types of owls are -1. Typical owls 2. Barn owls.
  - 2. This means they are awaken at night.
  - 3. (ii)
  - 4. A good sense of hearing helps owls to hunt in the darkness.
  - 5. There are lot of myths and superstitions surrounding them because of their mysterious appearance, especially its round eyes and flexible neck.
- B. 1. nocturnal 2. mice; mammals, insects; fish 3. facial 4. 180° 5. omens
- C. 1. **nocturnal:** This is the nocturnal visit of police in our colony.
  - 2. **hooked:** Many birds have hooked beaks.
  - 3. **predators**: Deer and many other small animals have to save themselves from predators.
  - 4. **unusual:** She came in the class and started shouting at his partner, it was totally unusual behaviour of hers.
  - 5. **fortunately:** It was 11 p.m. when we came out of the theatre, but fortunately we got a cab and came safely at home.

### **Comprehension Passage – II**

- A. 1. The bell was rung in the town of Atri.
  - 2. The people of Atri hung the bell. The bell was hung to help people who had been wronged and wanted their disputes to be settled down.
  - 3. Ungrateful, miser,
  - 4. When the bell was rung by the horse, the people of Atri would have gathered at one place and helped the horse in getting justice from the knight.
- B. 1. hung a large bell at the centre of the town.
  - 2. knight who had a horse that had served him well.
  - 3. around to find shelter and food.

#### **Comprehension Passage – III**

- A. 1. No, all the mosquitoes are not biters.
  - 2. A female mosquito bites a human being. It transmits a small amount of saliva into the blood. This saliva may contain a disease. The result of the bite can be as minor as an itchy bump or as serious as death.
  - 3. There are many ways that can help a person to protect himself from mosquitoes. Mosquito nets can be placed over beds to protect people against being bitten. Mosquitoes can also be killed with poisons or sprays. Even though these sprays kill mosquitoes, they may also harm other plants and animals.
  - 4. Some natural enemies of the mosquitoes are bats, birds, dragonflies and certain kinds of fish.
- B. 3.
- C. 2.
- D. 4

### Comprehension Passage - IV

- A. 1. We should be grateful to trees because they give shade for our benefit while they themselves stand in the sun and endure the scorching heat.
  - 2. Gold more it is burnt, the more brightly does it shine. That is why a good man is compared to Gold.
  - 3. Trees give us shade whereas they themselves stand in the sun and endure the scratching sun. They produce fruits from which others profit. So trees teach us to help us and do everything possible for the benefit of mankind.
  - 4. Life is unprofitable to a person who does not live for others.
  - 5. 1. mortal-perishable 2. an act of kindness noble. 3. bear endure 4. gainful profitable

### **CHAPTER-22 APPLICATIONS AND LETTERS**

A. 1. Write an application to your Principal requesting him to sanction you books and stationery from the Red cross fund.

The Principal

A.P.J. Public School

New Delhi

Respected Sir,

I bed to state that I am the student of class VI-A of your school. As my father is a clerk in a small company, he cannot afford books and stationery for my new class.

I request you to sanction me books and stationery from the Red Cross Fund. I will be highly grateful to you.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely,

Amit Khurana

VI-A

Date: 26th October 2013.

2. Write an application for the post of a typist clerk.

45-C, Moti Nagar

New Delhi

The Manager

ABC Pvt. Ltd.

Mayapuri,

New Delhi

Respected Sir,

I refer to your advertisement in the Hindustan Times for the post of Typist Clerk.

I have done my graduation from MDH University in First division. I have done certificate course in typing and shorthand from ITI, Sonipat.

Besides, I have an experience of two years in the same field. So, I request you to accept my candidature for the same post. I would be glad to be a part of your highly reputed company.

Regards,

Yours Sincerely,

Rahul Jain

Date: 17th July 2013

3. You are not feeling satisfied with your present school. Write a letter to your father requesting him to allow you to migrate to some other institution.

415, Green Park

Delhi

Respected father,

I am fine here. My studies are going well. But Dad, I am not satisfied with my present school. This school does not have good infrastructure to meet the needs of latest education.

Science lab has no necessary equipments needed for various experiments. Computer lab has old computers and many obsolete software are still used in computers. Classrooms are in bad conditions.

Most teachers are good and teach us in friendly manner but some have a habit of having leaves so frequently.

Dad you well understand that how important the single day, hour or minute is in our lives in this competitive world. So, I request you to allow me to migrate to some other institution.

How is Mom? Pay my regards to her.

Yours loving son,

Sumit Arora

4th June 2014

4. Write a letter to the editor of a daily newspaper against the irregular supply of water in your town.

The Editor Date: 26/11/2014

The Times of India

New Delhi

Respected Sir,

Through the esteemed columns of your newspaper, I would like to draw the attention of the municipal authorities of my town – Indrapur – to a great difficulty which its residents are facing. There is no regular supply of water in our town. The water supply timings are 6 am. to 10 am. in the morning and 4 pm to 9 pm in the evening. But these timings are not strictly followed by the Municipal authority. People get water only for 1 hour in the morning and 2 hours in the evening. Some days, they do not get any water the whole day.

Such an irresponsibility of Municipal authorities is causing a great problem in the routine lives of people of this town.

Hoping that the grievance of the people of our town will reach the ears of the concerned authorities and the needful will be done.

Yours faithfully,

Sudhir Khurana.

### CHAPTER-23 STORY - WRITING

#### 1. The Country Mouse and the Town Mouse

A country Mouse lives in a field. A Town Mouse is his friend. One day, the Country Mouse

invites the Town Mouse. It serves its guest simple food which includes berries, nuts and roots. But the Town Mouse does not like the simple country food.

After some days, the Town Mouse invites the Country Mouse. The Country Mouse goes to the town. His friend, the Town Mouse serves him rich food like jam, biscuits, bread and cheese.

But the two mice find difficult to eat food. Enemy now and then a cat comes there and the mice have to run for their lives.

"What a miserable life you have!" says the Country Mouse.

"Back home, I can at least eat peacefully." He is really happy to return to his field in the country.

Moral: Riches do not always bring happiness.

### 2. The Dog and His Master

Aman keeps a dog. It guards his master's house very faithfully. One night, it starts barking loudly. The master of the house feels offended. He wakes up angrily. He beats his dog very badly.

Next day, the man finds his dog missing. He also finds him valuables missing too. After an hour or so, he sees his dog coming home. The dog drags the master out. The master gets angry and snubs the dog not to bother him. The people nearby advise the master to follow the dog. The master then follows his dog. The dog takes him to very lonely place where there are only bushes. He starts digging land with its limbs. The master helps him in this task. To his surprise, he saw a box in the dug hole. He takes the box out and opens up. In the box, he finds all his valuable. He pats his dog and says sorry for his bad behaviour in the night. The dog wags its tail to show its love and regard for its master.

**Moral:** Think before you act.

### 3. A Bee and A Dove

A bee goes to a tank to quench its thirst. Accidently, it falls into a tank. A dove flies past. It understands the danger the bee is in. It goes to a neighbouring tree. It plucks off a leaf and drops it into the water. The bee climbs onto the leaf and dries its wings. It flies away to its hire, full of gratitude to the dove that has saved its life.

A few days later, the same bee, while returning to its hive after a hard day's work sees a cruel hunter taking aim at the dove sitting upon the branch of a tree. At once, the bee flies to the wrist of the boy and stings him. The hunter feels the pain and drops the idea to kill the dove. The dove realises the danger and flies to another place.

**Moral**: Kindness rewards.

#### CHAPTER-24 DIALOGUE WRITING

#### 1. A teacher and a student on the importance of computers.

**Teacher:** Computers are very helpful machines. Do you know they help people of various professions?

**Student :** Yes, I know computers help people of different professions. They help doctors, teachers, engineers, bank people, artists and publishers.

**Teacher:** How do computers help doctors?

**Student:** They help doctors in diagnose different diseases in patients. They help them in operations and making reports.

**Teacher:** How do computers help teachers?

**Student :** Computers help teachers in teaching students. They also help them to make report cards too.

**Teacher:** How do computers help engineers?

**Student :** Computers help engineers to design machines and their testing.

**Teacher:** How do computers help bank people?

**Student:** Computers help bank people in keeping records of the accounts holders. They also keep the records of loans and deposits. They also help to calculate interest on money.

**Teacher:** How do computers help publishers?

**Student:** Computers help publishers in designing books.

**Teacher:** Do you have a computer at home?

**Student:** No, I don't have a computer. But sometimes I use my father's laptop to make presentations and look for information on the internet.

### 2. A dog and a pet that are both pets in the same house.

**Dog**: What are you doing there?

Cat: Sh! Shh! there is a mouse under this reck. When he will come out I will catch it.

**Dog**: What will you do with the mouse?

Cat: I will kill him and then eat it. Mouse is my favourite food. What is your favourite food?

**Dog**: My favourite food is bone. But I do not get it from my master everyday.

**Cat**: Then what do you get everyday to eat?

**Dog**: I eat biscuits and drink milk everyday.

**Cat**: I also like milk and get it everyday from Rinku, the son of my master.

**Dog**: That's good. Rinku is a good boy. He plays with me. I love him.

Cat: I help my master by catching mice. Do you help the master in any way?

**Dog**: Yes, I help my master by guarding house day and night.

**Cat**: That's wonderful.

### 3. A caged parrot and a free parrot

**A free parrot:** Hello friend, what are you doing in this cage?

A caged parrot: Nothing friend, I am sad here.

**A free parrot:** Who put you in this cage?

**A caged parrot:** A man put me in this cage. He threw some ripe grains on the floor, when I flew down to eat them he threw a net on me. Then he put me to this cage.

**A free parrot:** This is very bad. Man is a very cruel animal.

A caged parrot: Not all men are not alike. Some are good.

**A free parrot:** How can you say?

**A caged parrot :** Chinki, the man's daughter is very nice. She spends time with me. She talks to me. I love to copy her words.

**A free parrot:** Do you want to be free?

A caged parrot: Yes, of course. Nothing is as good as freedom.

**A free parrot :** Then wait, I will discuss your problem with the other parrots and make a plan to set you free from this cage.

A caged parrot: How good your are! Beware! My master is coming. Please go now.

### 4. Two girls on the extinction of animals

**First girl:** Animals are our good friends. They have complete right to share this earth with us.

**Second girl:** Many jungles are being cut down to have land for the agriculture and residential colonies. Animals are getting less space to live in. This space is getting reduced day by day.

**First girl:** This is very sad. This is becoming the cause of animal extinction.

**Second girl:** If this continues, a day will come when we will see no animal on this earth.

**First girl:** Can you name a few extinct animals?

**Second girl :** Dinosaur, Mammoth and Dodo are a few animals that are in the list of themselves of extinct species of animals.

**First girl:** What are the other causes of animal extinction?

**Second girl:** The other causes are: Unthoughtful killings of animals by the man.

**First girl:** Why does the man kill animals?

**Second girl :** The man kills animals to satisfy his never ending hunger. He kills animals to have food, fur, skin, tusk.

#### 5. A blind beggar and a lame beggar

**Blind beggar:** Dear friend, why do you say?

**Lame beggar:** I beg because I am lame and cannot do work. But, why do you beg?

**Blind beggar:** I am blind and cannot see at all.

**Lame beggar:** Let us work as a team and beg together.

**Blind beggar:** As I am blind and cannot move fast, I have to sit at one place.

**Lame beggar:** The same with me too.

### 6. A wolf and a lamb drinking at stream.

**Lamb:** Hello uncle, how are you?

**Wolf:** I am fine. What are you doing here?

**Lamb**: I am drinking water.

**Wolf:** You are spoiling my water.

**Lamb:** The water is coming from your side to my side. Then how can I spoil your water?

**Wolf:** Why did you abuse me last year?

Lamb: But I am only six months old. I was not born at that time.

**Wolf:** Then it must be your father, then.

Lamb: You are finding a reason to prove me wrong. So, I am leaving this place.

**Wolf:** I will see you next time.

#### 7. A doctor and a patient on the care of teeth.

**Patient:** There is a pain in my teeth, doctor.

**Doctor:** Let me check it first. How long are you getting pain?

**Patient:** I am in severe pain since morning.

**Doctor:** There is infection in your teeth. Your teeth are dirty too.

**Patient:** But doctor, I brush my teeth everyday.

**Doctor:** How many times do you brush your teeth?

**Patient:** I brush my teeth every morning.

**Doctor:** No, this is not right. You should brush your teeth twice a day – in the morning and at bed time.

**Patient:** All right doctor, I will change my habit.

**Doctor:** Now, you have an infection. For this I have prescribed some medicines. Take these in time and come to me after 3 days.

**Patient:** Thank you doctor. Here is your fees.

**Doctor**: You are welcome.

### 8. A boy and a girl on global warming

**Boy:** What causes global warming?

**Girl:** Carbon dioxide emissions increase the level of carbon dioxide in the air. This has led to global warming.

**Boy:** What is global warming actually?

**Girl:** The carbon particles produce a blanket effect as they absorb a lot of heat given out by the earth. This traps the heat just like the glass of which a greenhouse is made traps the heat and does not allow it to escape.

**Boy:** What direct result of global warming has been noticed?

**Girl:** A direct result of this global warming has been the melting of the polar ice caps.

**Boy:** What are green house gases?

**Girl:** The greenhouse gases are: Methane, sulphur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, carbon dioxide.

#### B. 1. Terrorism and fanaticism

**A:** What is common in fanaticism and terrorism?

**B**: Fanaticism and terrorism are commonly associated with violence.

**A**: Who are fanatics?

**B**: Fanatics are as a rule noted for their incorrigible political beliefs and cruelty on those who resist to submit to regime.

**A**: Who are terrorists?

**B**: Terrorists or terrorist organisations are one of the greatest threat for innocent civilians as we repeatedly hear about bombing, car traps and suicide bombers.

**A:** Are both fanaticism and terrorism dangerous for the society? How are they dealt with?

**B**: Yes, both fanaticism and terrorism are dangerous for the society. They should be dealt with the close of caution and deliberation.

#### 2. Poverty verses Richness

**A:** What is poverty?

**B**: Poverty means lack of basic necessities. It is the stage of a man who lacks funds and cannot meet his bare minimum needs.

**A:** What is richness?

**B**: Richness means possession of things that not only meet the basic needs but also satisfy luxuries.

- **A:** What are the causes of poverty?
- **B**: Lack of jobs, employment, and access to services are the causes of poverty.
- **A:** What do you mean by wealth?
- **B:** Wealth isn't just about money or status. There are 3 main measures of wealth income, assets and socioeconomic factors and quality of life.
- 3. Town life versus Country life
- **A:** Why is town life better than country life?
- **B**: Town life is better than country life for a few reasons. One major reason is the quality of life.
- **A:** How village life is better than city life?
- **B**: Village life is far better than city life because it is natural and everything present in its pure form and very distant from pollution.
- **A:** Do you think city life is the necessities of young people?
- **B**: Yes, city life is a necessity for young people. There are opportunities of jobs, education, technology, entertainment etc. in cities in comparison to countries.
- 4. Choice of a hobby
- **A:** What is your hobby?
- **B**: My hobby is gardening?
- **A:** What do you grow in your garden?
- **B**: I grow vegetables, flowers and different types of herbs in my garden.
- **A:** How much time do you devote in the gardening work?
- **B**: I devote 3 to 4 hours in a week to my garden work.

#### CHAPTER-25 NOTICES

#### NOTICE BOARD

Tagore Public School, Delhi

20th November, 2013

This is to inform you that our school's Art and Craft Department is going to organize a sale of greeting cards on the occasion of Holi. These cards are made on recycling paper keeping in mind the conservation of environment. Home-made herbal colours for Holi celebration are also available. The timings of the sale is 5:30 p.m. onwards.

All are invited to encourage those who contributed their valuable time in making these things.

Amit Khanna Secretary of the School's Society.

#### **NOTICE BOARD**

ABC Public School, Delhi

22nd December, 2013

This is to inform you that our school is going to organize a charity show in aid of the victims of flood in Orissa. The cultural programmes like folk songs, folk dances,

dramas, classical dances etc. will be the part of the show. The students who want to participate in the programmes are requested to propose their names in the school office.

Rahul Khanna President Cultural Club

#### CHAPTER-26 ESSAYS

### 1. A Visit to a Holy Place

India has been a centre of religions from ages. People of different faiths and religions live here. They have their different religious places. They are scattered from north to south and east to west. They have their own importance. During the winter break I got an opportunity to visit Allahabad. Allahabad is an important place of worship for the Hindus. It is in the Allahabad the two sacred rivers – Ganga and Yamuna – meet each other. It is believed another holy river Saraswati flowing as underground current meets with the Ganga and the Yamuna, forming Triveni. The Hindus believe that a bath at Triveni Sangam makes a Hindu free from sin.

A visited Allahabad during the Kumbh Mela. Kumbh Mela is held at four places in India including Allahabad. There was huge crowd. People of religious faith from different parts of the country had gathered there to have a dip in the Ganga. It is believed that having a dip in Ganga during the time washes away all sins. Big tents were erected for the accommodation of the devotees. In the morning the scene appears very pious. People reciting religious verses were busy performing many rituals. There appeared a sea of humans, as lakhs of people gathered there at a time. I along with my uncle also took a bath in the holy Ganga and offered prayer.

Besides, there are many worth visiting places in Allahabad. I visited Anand Bhawan, the residence of Nehru family. Presently, it has been converted into a museum. Other worth visiting sites that I visited are Allahabad Fort, Company Garden, Pinto Park and Khusaro Bagh, which are not just gardens but are speaking legends of various times of Indian history.

#### 2. A Visit to a Book Fair

A book fair is a great event of attraction for the educationists, intellectuals and book lovers. National book fair is organised by the National Book Trust every year. It is held in Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.

The world Book Fair is organised every alternate year. Publishers from all across the world participate in it.

I visit this Book Fair with my parents every year. But this year I planned to visit it with my friends and classmates. We discussed this with our teacher to visit this mega event. The teacher readily agreed and took us batch by batch to this event. We hired a big van and went along with our teacher to watch this grand event.

We all started for the book fair at 10 o'clock. It took 30 minutes to reach there. At around eleven, we were at the venue. We were stunned to watch this event. It was really a spectacle to watch. There were attractive hoardings everywhere. Security arrangements were tight. We had to pass through metal detector to reach the different halls. Each hall

was segmented into many stalls managed by the respective publishing houses.

There were local publishers, national publishers and international publishers. The stalls were attractively decorated. There was a huge crowd of people. Some of the stalls particularly those dealing in stationery and children books were thronged by the people.

Each stall was a delight to watch. They displayed children's books, subject-oriented books, science and technology, books on software and hardware, banking and finance, books on law and income, books on cooking, health, beauty and fitness and religious books. In addition, there was a huge collection of dictionaries and encyclopedias.

Some publishers had made special sitting arrangements for the readers. We bought books of our choice. I bought a book on Shakespeare. We came back at 5 o'clock. We enjoyed the visit very much.

### 3. Global Warming

Global warming is the term used to describe a gradual increase in the average temperature of the Earth's atmosphere and its oceans, a change that is believed to be permanently changing the earth's climate. Even though it is an ongoing debate, it is proved by the scientists that the planet is warming. Global warming is affecting the nature's balance and has a huge impact on life like continued heat waves and sudden occurrence of storms and floods. Don't we see time to time the epidemics that are devastating to human life and the flooding of the farmlands that puts economy in a deep hole?

Since the industrial revolution till this day, there is a constant emission of the carbon into the atmosphere, everything we do we leave carbon footprints. It is a man made cause of the global warming.

Mining for coal and oil release methane in the atmosphere. More over the leakage from natural gas fields and landfills are additional source of methane. Excessive cutting down of the trees is another factor causing global warming. When deforestation happens the efficiency by which carbon dioxide is stored and oxygen released by the green plants are decreased to a huge rate in turn causing increased concentration of carbon dioxide that leads to increased greenhouse effect.

#### CHAPTER-27 PARAGRAPHS

### 1. My Hobby

My hobby is reading. I read story books, magazines, newspapers and any kind of material that I find interesting.

This hobby got started when I was a little boy. I started with simple ABC books. Soon I continually could read simple fairy tales and other stories. Now, I read just about anything that is available.

Reading enables me to learn about so many things that I would otherwise not know. I learned about how people lived in bygone days of magic and mystery. I learned about the wonders of the world, space travel, human achievements, gigantic whales, tiny viruses and other fascinating things of our world. Books provide the reader with so much information and facts. They have certainly helped me in my life.

I am better equipped to cope with living. Otherwise I would go about ignorantly learning things the hard way.

So, I continue to read. Besides being more informed about the world, I also spend my time profitably. It is indeed a good hobby.

### 2. Punctuality

Punctuality is a necessary habit in all public affairs. Nothing can be brought to a conclusion with punctuality. Time is the most valuable possession of man in a civilized society. Punctuality means doing something at the fixed or appointed time. But very few people are punctual. People who are not punctual waste the time of others and their own time also. Many students are in the habit of reaching school late. Thus, they disturb the class. Many people reach their offices late. The public suffers and their own work also suffers. In India, people are very careless about punctuality. In the western countries, people know the value of punctuality. Once Churchill's secretary reached office late by five minutes. When he was asked the reason for his late coming, the secretary said, "My watch is, perhaps slow." At this, Churchill remarked, "Either you change your watch or I shall have to change my secretary."

#### 3. Perseverance

A person having the quality of perseverance can attain success in life. This quality can be developed by regular practice.

Failure may discourage a person, but trying again and again to succeed will one day bring him success. Perseverance is the secret of success. Even if a person is not very much talented or just fairly knowledgeable, he can still achieve his goal by his perseverance. Hard labour, with a determination of mind, has no alternative.

It can be seen from the lives of many great men of the world that their perseverance brings about their success in life. Lofty monuments, royal palaces, cities or harbors are not built in a day. It is a prolonged and continuous effort that made all such projects successful. So a person, who is fearless and enthusiastic and ready to work hard, is sure to win in life.

#### 4. The Scene at Sunset

As the sun goes down, the burning light of the sun gets dull and it looks a huge disc of orange and yellow. The sun's orange is mingling with the light blue colour of the sky and it produces a vast contrast of different colours. It is like watching a screen slowly changing colours. The scene is truely beautiful. The dull light of the sun somehow illuminates everything. Everything becomes still and the effect of the light makes the scene looks like one in a painting. The waves of the sea also seem to have changed their colour to a dull mixture of yellow and orange. The water looks sparkling like diamonds in the light. The sun gradually goes down and by the time it almost disappears, the sky has patterns of different colours, from light purple to a dull blue. The scene looks charming. The birds fly away to their homes.

#### 5. The Recess Period

As soon as the recess bell goes, students rush out of their classroom. Some students go to the class canteen. They spend their pocket money and relish sweet dishes. The school play ground also becomes alive with the students. The players take part in different games. They get back their energy and feel relaxed. There is a great rush in the school library. Some students get books issued and others return books. All the students make the best use of this period. They relax and entertain themselves in their own way. For sometime, they forget about studies. When the recess period is over, they get back their classrooms to start their studies again.