

GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE, PRAYAGRAJ

SESSION: 2020-2021

CLASS: 10 A, B, C, D, E & F

ENGLISH LANGUAGE Worksheet 3

**NOTE:** Parents are expected to ensure that the student spends 2 days to read and understand the chapter according to the books referred and thereafter answer the given questions.

**BOOKS:** 1) Total English Book 9 (I.C.S.E.)

2) Comprehensive Grammar for Current English

**CHAPTERS:** Essay, Informal letter, Notice writing, Comprehension passage, Prepositions, Synthesis and Transformation of sentences.

Q1. Write an essay on the following topic.

Are you jealous of anyone? If yes, then describe what led to your feeling of jealousy towards that particular person.

Q2. You have moved to another city on account of your father's job. Write a letter to a friend from your previous school whom you are missing a lot.

Q3. Your school is hosting an Inter- School music competition. Write out a notice to be put up in your school informing students about the event and inviting them to participate in the Inter- School music competition.

Q4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Kanak knew his moment had come. But was he prepared? He had just volunteered himself for the war. The nation was in need of young men as the war had continued beyond expectations. It had taken its toll. Everyone in the village was in fear every moment and yet charged with a spirit of patriotism. Many of its sons were fighting the war and the villagers were proud.

The television announced, "Young, strong men willing to fight for a cause, may report for medical check-up and recruitment....."

Kanak had looked at his friends. "What do you say?"

They knew what they had to do..... Do their share and join the ranks. Their families were hesitant but knew the country needed them and also, nothing .... no one ..... could stop the trio. They bid them good luck.

Kanak had recruited for the base camp at the top. He had always belonged there. He knew the hills well. The clothes and the armour weighed heavy on him, but he would get used to these. He was trained with the gun, though he opted to use the lancer that his village folks had mastered to use in self defence against animals.

The first night, and he was confronted with action. He had lit a fire for himself. They had forgotten to caution him about lighting the fire when they left him for the night prowler. Kanak had to guard the ammunition. Suddenly, he felt hands tightening on his throat. He wriggled but was flung aside. He thought it was an animal. A dark shadow moved towards the store. At once it dawned on Kanak what was about to follow. He must act .... immediately. Like a flash of lightning, he darted at the figure. A shot was fired. Kanak felt a sharp sting of pain but did not know where it was. He had no time to consider that. He pretended to fall only to catch the man unawares as soon as he turned to the store again. Fortunately, the lancer was right next to him. He got his chance. The lancer went flying at the intruder and lay him down.

Kanak first put out the fire. It was the fire that had given him away to the enemy. Kanak had done his bit for the country. But the sight of the tall sturdy youth he could now see lying on the ground pulled at the strings of his heart. He too must have joined the ranks leaving his family with an assurance that he would be back ..... and would do them proud. Proud ... yes, they would be ..... of their valiant one's sacrifice. But would they, who wage wars understand the futility of such sacrifice. Desires increase in proportion to possessions, and they would always want more and more.

- a) Give meanings of each of the following words as used in the passage. One word answers or short phrases will be accepted.
- a) Volunteered
  - b) Patriotism
  - c) Hesitant.
- b) Answer the following questions briefly in your own words.
- a) Why was the nation in need of young men?
  - b) What did the television announce?
  - c) Why were their families hesitant?
  - d) Where was Kanak recruited?
  - e) What pulled strings of his heart?
- c) In not more than fifty words describe how Kanak tackled the intruder.

Q5. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words.

- a) He was let off \_\_\_ a fine.
- b) How did the topic come \_\_\_ .
- c) He stopped \_\_\_ the head of a tiny village.
- d) He tucked his gun \_\_\_ his arm.
- e) The birds kept flying ahead \_\_\_ us.
- f) The army had a lot of proof \_\_\_ him.
- g) The play ground wall gave way \_\_\_ the rainy season.
- h) She is more than just a friend \_\_\_ me.

Q6. Join the sentences to make one complete sentences without using and, but or so.

- a) She purchased a new car. It runs on electricity.
- b) John is a very senior officer. He is also very popular.

- c) The patient died. The doctor came later on.
- d) She is very weak. She is unable to walk.

Q7. Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given after each. Make other changes that may be necessary but do not change the meaning of the sentences.

- a) She said to me, "You are smart"  
(Change the narration)
- b) Megha is too tall to crawl under the table.  
(Begin: Megha is so .....)
- c) Sunil is the fastest runner in the school.  
(End .....as Sunil)
- d) The child disappeared as soon as the bus stopped.  
(Begin: Hardly .....)
- e) My mother left a month ago.  
(Begin: It has .....)

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