

Std. 8 English

UNIT 3

3.1 THE LIGHT ON THE HILLS

1. The boy was so sad on the tragic death of his sister who encouraged him a lot to develop as a painter. Prepare the likely diary entry by him.

25/10/16, Tuesday

Sometimes fate becomes so cruel to us. I can't express how much sad I am right now. My beloved sister and the inspiration to my artistic skills is only living in memories hereafter. She was always a good judge for my paintings. She used to give creative suggestions for improving my work of art. She gave me an important lesson in art. If we do our work with dedication and honesty, people will like our work. I think she meant our life also. She always encouraged me to continue my artistic work with dedication. She would be in the heaven and would continue doing the same there. In order to make her happy always, I believe that I should do my work properly without any lapse. When I am trying to improve my talents, she will be happy.

2. Imagine that the Arts Club of your school has organized an exhibition of different paintings by the boy. Draft a notice with sufficient details.

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS
ARTS CLUB
ST. JOSEPH'S HSS, VADAKARA
25 OCTOBER 2016
SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Dear friends,

The Arts Club of our school has organized an exhibition of paintings by the renowned budding artist Kiran Dev. It will be inaugurated at 10 am on 25 th October 2016 Tuesday by Sri. Eby N. Joseph, the famous artist. It is our pleasure to invite you all to this graceful occasion. Do come, enjoy the visual experience and encourage the artist.

Vadakara
20/02/2016

Ajitha N.
Secretary, Arts Club

PROGRAMME

Prayer Song : School choir
Welcome : Master Rohith K. (School Leader)
Presidential Address : Smt. Mary Thomas (HM)
Inauguration Sri. Eby N. Joseph (Artist)
Honouring the Artist : Fr. John M. J. (School Manager)
Felicitation : Sri. James Joseph (Convener, Arts Club)
Vote of Thanks : Kumari Ajitha N. (Secretary, Arts Club)

3. Suppose you are asked to deliver a speech congratulating the boy in your school assembly. Prepare the text of the speech to be delivered.

Respected teachers and my dear friends,

I am standing before you with a heart full of pleasure and joy. We are born with a mission to accomplish in our life. In order to accomplish that mission, we are given some talents by God the Almighty. Some will find out their talents very early, some a little late and a few never. Those who have identified their talents very early may be with the help of the others like parents or teachers,

will try to develop them. Here we have the presence of Master Kiran Dev, the budding artist who has become famous after receiving the prestigious award from the govt. I know that some of us are looking at him with a sense of jealousy because he is so young. When I think of his family, I can tell you that he had a loving and caring sister who supported and encouraged him well to develop his potential as an artist. She had been such a strong source of encouragement for him. Unfortunately she is no more right now. Had she been alive, she would have been the happiest person on his recognition as an artist. Each award is a stepping stone which gives a greater responsibility to those who receive it. On behalf of all the students who have gathered here, I wish Master Kiran Dev all the success in his life. Also I heartily congratulate him for winning such an illustrious award at this age. I am sure that there are miles to go before him and it is just a starting point. Friends, it is also a moment of inspiration for all of us. All of us are talented in one way or the other. Some in academics, some in arts, some others in sports and so on. We are getting plenty of chances to develop them as well. But the most important question is whether we are trying to utilize them. We have cultural fests, various clubs, work experience fests, sports day celebrations etc. when we try to use those chances effectively; we will also become famous as him. So I wish you the best in your endeavours. Let us take him as a role model. Let us excel in both our studies and extracurricular activities. Thank you.

4. Imagine you are one of the Press Reporters who have been asked to interview the boy for his achievement in the area of arts. Prepare a set of 5 questions to be used.

1. How did you come to know that you have the talents of an artist?
2. Tell me about the influence your sister had on you to develop yourself as an artist.
3. Name a few awards which you received recently.
4. Did you have any hardship in your way towards this level? If so, please explain.
5. What is your message to the budding artists?

3.2 ROSA PARKS SAT STILL

1. The black people of Montgomery expressed their solidarity towards Rosa Parks in her fight against discrimination. One of them wrote a letter to her. Draft the likely letter.

Fern Hill,
25/10/2016

Dear Rosa Parks,

I am Catherine, one among the citizens of the USA residing at Montgomery. I am writing this letter being inspired by your bravery to fight against racial discrimination. First I would like to congratulate you from my heart for your will power and strength you have shown to break the law of segregation. You have become the real hero to all of us. We all are proud of you Rosa. On behalf of all the residents here, I extend our support for your fight against the inhuman law. We have experienced the problem of discrimination at different places but we had never been bold enough to respond. But your courageous response has given a confidence among us. Now we think that we, the black are able to express our protest in one form or the other. We promise that we will be with you in our fight for equality. There shouldn't be the white or the black because all are the citizens of this state. Your determination and perseverance definitely inspire us.

Regards,
Catherine

2. Imagine one of the Police Personnel who was inside the bus tried to intervene in the matter when

there was a dispute between Rosa and the driver. Prepare the likely conversation between the Police and Rosa.

Police: "Excuse me, why are you talking so arrogantly?"

Rosa: "Sir, there was an unfair behaviour from the driver."

Police: "Are you not aware that you need to give seat for the white?"

Rosa: "I do respect the laws of our state. But I don't think this law has to be practiced."

Police: "What do you mean? I don't get you."

Rosa: "I have paid the same fare as the white passage has paid. I am more tired than him after the day's work. He is asking for this seat because he is a white."

Police: "But that is what everyone does."

Rosa: "It is completely against human rights, purely discrimination."

Police: "That's another issue for which you can go to the court."

Rosa: "I have decided to seek legal remedies to put an end to this system."

Police: "It's up to you to decide. But unless you give seat now, you need to face its consequences."

Rosa: "No problem. I am ready to face the consequences whatever they are."

3. Rosa Parks was so happy after getting the favourable verdict from the American Supreme Court. Draft the likely diary entry by her.

4/12/2001

Monday

Today I feel really happy and proud because the black person has got civil right from the white. I believe that it would be the beginning of a new chapter in the history of the US in general and the black people in particular. It's a fact that I faced a lot of problems when I decided to take up this issue legally. There were terrible abuses, threats and challenges from different sections. Still there were a few individuals who supported me throughout my fight. What astonished me a lot was that there were a few white people as well to support me. This helped me a lot to move forward courageously because I knew from their response that there were white people who thought that this law was not right. When the Judges of the Supreme Court said that the segregation was unlawful in public transport services, I felt extremely delighted. I gratefully remember all those who have extended their valuable support to me. Still I realize that with this historical verdict all the difficulties faced by the black community haven't come to an end. There are problems in other sectors like employment, education etc. It means that I can't take rest now, but continue to fight. I dream the day when all the citizens of our state would be treated equally. I wish the dream would come true in the near future.

4. Your School has decided to organize a rally in connection with 60 th anniversary of Rosa Parks' historical refusal to give seat for the white. Prepare a set of slogans to be used in the rally against all types of discrimination.

1. EQUALITY IS OUR RIGHT
2. STOP ALL KINDS OF DISCRIMINATIONS
3. SEGREGATION WILL NEVER FORM A PROGRESSIVE SOCIETY
4. WE ARE NEITHER BLACK NOR WHITE, WE ARE HUMAN BEINGS
5. EQUALITY OF PEOPLE IS THE BEST POLICY OF THE WORLD

5. Imagine that Rosa Parks went to the Police Station to file a complaint against the rude behaviour from the bus driver. Prepare the likely letter.

Rosa Parks
Down Town
Montgomery
04/10/2016

The Commissioner of Police
Montgomery

Sir,

Sub: Complaint against a bus driver for his rude behaviour

I am Rosa Parks working in the Vibgyor Dress Productions, Montgomery. Yesterday when I was coming home after my work I entered a bus. There was one seat vacant and I was extremely tired after my job and was unable to stand even. I sat there and paid the required fair. After a few minutes, a white passenger entered the bus and stood at the door looking at me. He didn't say anything and I sat still. It was time for the bus to leave. Other passengers started talking something and were looking at me but I didn't understand anything. Suddenly the bus driver came and ordered me to give my seat to the white passenger and go to the back. But I didn't move as both of us had paid equal fare. He insulted me and got off the bus came back with the Police. They arrested me without asking anything. I firmly believe that I haven't broken any law of the state. Hence I humbly request you to initiate an enquiry on this matter and punish the people who acted unfair towards me.

Regards,
Rosa Parks

6. Prepare the profile of R. K. Narayan, a renowned Indian Writer using the hints given.

Birth : 10 October 1910
Famous as : Novelist, short story writer
Brother : R. K. Laxman (Famous Cartoonist)
Notable works : The Guide, Swami and Friends, Malgudy Days
Awards : Sahitya Academy Award (1958), Padma Bhooshan (1964)
Death : 2001

R. K. NARAYAN

R. K. Narayan, a renowned Indian writer was born on 10 October 1910. He is a famous novelist and short story writer. His brother R. K. Laxman is a famous cartoonist. Some of his notable works are The Guide, Swami and Friends, Malgudy Days etc. He has received many awards including Sahitya Academy Award in 1958 and Padma Bhooshan in 1964. He passed away in 2001.

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