

**HOLIDAY HOMEWORK – 2018-19**  
**ENGLISH**  
**CLASS 10**

1. Today's world is revolving around "I", "Me", "Myself". The story "Two Gentlemen of Verona" is a complete contrast to this idea. Whereas the poem "The frog and the Nightingale" is about a selfish frog. Referring to these two lessons make an individual project on the topic "Indian Youth of Today".

**VALUE POINTS:**

Morals and values are the base of an individual's character.

Hard work is the only way to reach the goal.

Is it good or foolish to be "Selfless" ?

What is more important- Values or Money?

Why are the values degrading in society?

Dignity of labour \_ is it rewarding?

Devotion , dedication , perseverance, respect and family values take us a long way in life.

What should be done to inculcate the values in an individual?

**NOTE:** It should be a hand written project.

Look for more information in magazines like 'India Today' , Reader's Digest' , Newspaper clippings and other resources.

2. **Read** 'The Story of my Life' by Helen Keller from chapter 1 to 14.
3. Read **The Wings of fire** the biography of the former President Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, a visionary scientist and write a review of the book in about 200-250 words commenting on his views for the generation X and Y and what our youth can do to empower the nation.
4. Your MCB consists of six units which provide you with valuable information on different topics. Read articles related to these units from newspapers and magazines during vacation and paste in a scrapbook under the headings of units given in MCB. Also find ten words from the articles of each unit and write their meanings too.
5. **Suggested Books** for Reading during holidays:
  1. The Room on the Roof – Ruskin Bond
  2. School Stories – P.G. Wodehouse
  3. Snappy Surprises – Ruskin Bond

## English : Class 10

Section : B (Writing and Grammar)

1. You are Amar / Amrita. You worry when you see frequent fights among children here and there. Write an Article on 'Growing Violence Among Children' using your own ideas. (120-150 words)
2. You are a resident of Rameshwar Colony, Ghaziabad. There is a garbage dump near your colony's bus stop which has not been maintained efficiently. The situation is very bad and poses several health hazards. People can barely stand there due to the stink. The situation worsens when it rains. You have written to the authorities but to no avail. Finally, you decide to write a letter to the Editor of a national daily to highlight the issue. Write the letter in about 100-120 words.
3. 'Obesity has reached epidemic proportions in India in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, with the morbid obesity affecting 5% of the country's population. India is following a trend of other developing countries that are steadily becoming more obese. says a recent report. Write an article about 120 words emphasizing the need for good eating habits.
4. Nobel Laureates, namely Rabindranath Tagore, C.V. Raman, Mother Teresa and Amartya Sen have made our country proud. However, greatness is not confined to a country or to a political territory. Such people work selflessly for humanity and inspire us to follow their path. Write a letter to the Editor of a local newspaper on how the true work of man is to serve humanity and how citizens should be more humane and be good human beings.
5. A recent survey highlighted the increasing dependence of youth on cellphones. Taking tips from the suggestions given below, write an article in about 150-180 words to highlight the point that science should help us in better living and not control man's life
  1. addiction to cell phones
  2. communication breakdown
  3. engrossed with mobiles
  4. not make a slave
  5. nomophobia
  6. little time for human interaction

7. science should enhance life
6. With the rise in traffic jams on the roads and vehicle accidents., the local police authorities are trying to encourage the use of public transport and the metro system. You feel that this will greatly reduce congestion on the roads during peak hours. Write an article in about 120-150 words for the road safety magazine 'Wheels' on the benefits of using public transport for daily commuting. You can take ideas from MCB Unit Travel and Tourism. Sign yourself as Neeru / Navin.
7. You are the Editor of the school magazine which this year is themed on national integration. You decide to write a lead article titled 'Celebrating festivals and National Integration.' Sign yourself as Mohit/ Mohita. Take ideas from MCB Unit 'National Integration'.
8. Write a letter to the Editor of the 'Environment and You' newspaper about the Menace of food stall being set up inside parks. Sign yourself as Ravi / Rajni a concerned citizen residing at House No.4, opposite Swadeshi Park, Elegant Road, Kolkata. you can take the help from MCB Unit 'Environment'.
9. Write an article in about 150-180 words on 'River Pollution' You man use the clues given below :
  - rivers, biggest source of water
  - victims of pollution
  - industrial waste
  - city waste drained into them
  - religious ceremonies – idol immersion
  - garlands and flowers
  - ashes after cremation poured into rivers
10. Write a short story in about 150-120 words base on the following clues given :
  - (a) At the crack of dawn, Ramphal, would board the first bus into town. On alighting he quickly went behind some shrubs and started his daily make up
  - (b) Jagjit a habitual liar pretended to have mastered the disappearing act magic,,robbed classmates' new pen-----when accosted ...offered another stolen property in lieu ....made a habit of robbing one to pay back another under the guise of magic....stole

teacher's mobile....sold to buy cricket match ticket.....sold father's watch to buy another mobile for teacher ...caught red handed.....

- (c) Floods had brought life to a standstill in the remote town in Austria...lives and property worth lakhs destroyed.....
- (d) I was as tall as my father and could get into his shoes. I regularly borrowed his socks and ties and even his shirts occasionally. But on that day.....
- (e) Hospital lab conducting experiments on guinea pigs to prepare a drug for curing encephalitis. An adjacent construction is in progress on vacant scrub land...Guinea pigs missing mysteriously. Search yields no clues. Night watchman hears loud clatter in lab. Opens the door.....

(Grammar)

1. Rearrange the following words to make meaningful sentences :

- (a) neighbours / home / my / shifted / their / have / new / to
- (b) besides / a / lake / it / natural / is
- (c) Bagh / overlooks / the / Shalimar / it
- (d) old / the / blind / sage / recognize / and / people / was / could / not
- (e) Sunday / rain / started / the / early / of / in / hours / the
- (f) little / too / convinced / we / much / know / and / by / are / too
- (g) Lalima / newborn / is / the / named / calf
- (h) world's / cloned / she / calf / the / first / is / buffalo
- (i) cell / donor / Murrah / the / buffalo / taken / ear / from / was / a / the / of
- (j) snake / poisonous / uses / the / to / its enemy / and / its prey / its venom / kill
- (k) injects / it / into / through / porous / the venom / the body / its / fangs
- (l) its effect / until / mixed / blood / in the / snake venom / the / does / show / not / it / gets
- (m) from / God / a precious / life / is / gift / to / us
- (n) should / we / be / to / thankful / for / it / God
- (o) God / some / remember / people / distress / in / only

## GAP FILLING

A. Fill in the blank with the correct form of verbs given in brackets.

1. Buntly (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) 11 years old. He (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (study) in the 7<sup>th</sup> standard. He (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very fond of reading comics. He (d) \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) the major part of his pocket money on comics. He (e) \_\_\_\_\_ (has) less toys but more of comics in his almirah. He always (f) \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) examination with good grades.
2. Kunal (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (keep) his luggage on the berth, (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (take) out his comics and (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (start) reading. After some time a passenger (d) \_\_\_\_\_ (come) and settled down on the berth in front. He (e) \_\_\_\_\_ (carry) a green coloured suitcase with him. This passenger (f) \_\_\_\_\_ (take) out a sheet and (g) \_\_\_\_\_ (keep) his suitcase on the luggage rack and (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (begin) reading a newspaper.
3. Jawahar Lal (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (go) from village to village on foot, by train, bullock cart and on bicycle. He (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) with the peasants, (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in their mud huts, (d) \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to them for hours and (e) \_\_\_\_\_ (address) their meetings. He (f) \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) his shyness and (g) \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) to speak in public. He (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) very hard there.
4. There (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a king who had a cupboard that (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (make) of glass. It (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a very special cupboard. It (d) \_\_\_\_\_ (look) empty but you (e) \_\_\_\_\_ (can) take out anything you (f) \_\_\_\_\_ (want). there was only one thing you had to remember, whenever you (g) \_\_\_\_\_ (take) something out of it you (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (have) to put something else back in, although nobody knew why.
5. The thieves (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (forget) one thing. Not one of them (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (put) anything back in the cupboard. They (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) the whole night taking more and more bags of gold out of the cupboard. They (d) \_\_\_\_\_ (continue) the next day faster and faster till they (e) \_\_\_\_\_ (grow) faint. But they (f) \_\_\_\_\_ (not stop). They (g) \_\_\_\_\_ (go) on and on. At last, the chief of the thieves (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (can) bear it no longer.

## EDITING

The following passages have not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the correct word against the correct blank number. Do not copy the whole passage.

	Incorrect	Correction
(i) Robinson was shipwreck on	e.g. shipwreck	shipwrecked
a island. It was inhabited	(a) .....	.....
only by animals or birds. There	(b) .....	.....
was not a single human beings	(c) .....	.....
on an island. He saw a	(d) .....	.....
large number of multicoloured bird	(e) .....	.....
footmarks in the ground which made him	(r) .....	.....
fear the presence of dangerous animals.		

	Incorrect	Correction
(ii) Robinson and his friend lived at	e.g. at	in
peace for near a year. They	(a) .....	.....
had everything that he needed.	(b) .....	.....
They had so much to learning	(c) .....	.....
that the time passed very quick.	(d) .....	.....
Soon they knew how to dig a	(e) .....	.....
soil, grind the corn etc. They	(r) .....	.....
learned not to being afraid of guns.		

	Incorrect	Correction
(iii)	Robinson used to spent	e.g. spent
hours gazing on merchant ships.	spend	
(a) .....	.....	.....
His father wanted him to being	(b) .....	.....
a lawyer but he wanted to exploring	(c) .....	.....
the world in one of that	(d) .....	.....
sailing ships. And one days	(e) .....	.....
he disappears.	(f) .....	.....

(iv) Situated close at the Haryana border  
 e.g. at to

Fun 'n' Food village is spread in the area (a) .....  
 of ten acres and offers to range of (b) .....  
 activities and water rides, pools, rain (c) .....  
 dance, amusement galleries to park rides. The (d) .....  
 rides are suitable from different age (e) .....  
 groups. A special attraction has a wave (f) .....  
 pool which is the largest one in and around Delhi.

(v) Essex Farms is the famous resort. e.g. the a

It is located in Aurbindo (a) .....  
 Marg. It has the bowling alley and (b) .....  
 lots with games for children to play. The (c) .....  
 multi cuisine restaurants add for the charm. (d) .....  
 This resort gives you the choice of air (e) .....  
 conditioned rooms. Here one do enjoy (f) .....  
 a water park with slides etc.

(vi) One day Manju's aunt with uncle e.g.  
 with and

took her on a circus. The circus (a) .....  
 was spread to a large tent. In the (b) .....  
 middle of the tent there was by empty (c) .....  
 ring. They sat down over their seats (d) .....  
 and listened to a band. After some time (e) .....  
 seven elephants came after the ring. (f) .....  
 Then stood up on their hind legs and danced.

(vii) Marcopolo was one of a first Europeans to exploring China. His father and uncle ask him to travel with him from Italy to China on horseback. He started his journey on 1271. He claimed in their travel book that there he saw the huge palace of Kublai Khan. His travel book latter inspired another adventure, Christopher Columbus.

- e.g. a the
- (a) .....  
 (b) .....  
 (c) .....  
 (d) .....  
 (e) .....  
 (f) .....

(viii) A motorbike rally was organise to spreading the goodwill message of commonwealth games. It was flag off at Delhi on it mission to Leh. Thirty five bikers participate in the rally. We passed through Haryana Punjab, Himachal and J & K to covered a distance of about 3500 kilometers.

- e.g. organise organised
- (a) .....  
 (b) .....  
 (c) .....  
 (d) .....  
 (e) .....  
 (f) .....

(ix) When Sania Nehwal land in Hyderabad, his face was radiant of joy and happiness. The warm welcome who she received made her emotional. She said if she hadn't expected to seeing so many people which had travelled all the way to congratulate her.

- e.g. land landed
- (a) .....  
 (b) .....  
 (c) .....  
 (d) .....  
 (e) .....  
 (f) .....

(x) Shakuntala was a daughter of sage

- e.g. a the



Vishwamitra and Meneka.

When she was born his mother left her. (a) .....  
A sage had to look after his (b) .....  
daughter herself. (c) .....  
But he could not nursing her well. (d) .....  
So he took her of a hermit, Kanwa, (e) .....  
whom accepted the responsibility (f) .....  
of bringing up the girl.

(xi) Delhi Transport Corporation organize e.g. organize organizes  
the Delhi tour every day.  
This seven hour long tour take (a) .....  
the commuters at places like Red Fort, (b) .....  
Raj Ghat and Qutub Minar.  
The touring starts from the Delhi Transport (c) .....  
Corporation office in Scindia house picking (d) .....  
up tourists from the inform booth (e) .....  
of Delhi Tourism in Baba Kharag Singh Marg. (f) .....

(xii) The Nile is a longest river in e.g. a the  
the world. Almost all a population (a) .....  
of Egypt and his cultivated land (b) .....  
are mostly on the flood plains of  
the Nile. Cairo, the capital in Egypt (c) .....  
is the head of the Nile Delta. A  
visit to Cairo will being incompete (d) .....  
unless you spent a night (e) .....  
there on a cruise ships. (f) .....