

Appendix - I

Listening Passages

Lesson 7 - Jimmy Jet and his TV Set

- Vishu - Do you like watching TV ?
- Vinni - Yes, I do. I like Cartoon Network and Pogo channel.
- Vishu - But I like Discovery channel and National-Geographic channel.
- Vini - Oh ! no ! -----.
- Vishu - They show real life scenes.
- Vinni - But I like fantasies. My grandmother is always after Aastha and Sanskar channel.
- Vishu - And my parents you know, they only want to see News and Samachar, Samachar and News and nothing else.
- Vinni - Oh ! my sister Sheena, just $2\frac{1}{2}$ years old, always eager to see music channels only. She doesn't understand anything else I think.
- Vishu - No ! I feel it is because... may be she likes dance.
- Vinni - But we aren't able to see our favourite channels.

Lesson 8 - A Serious Talk

- (A) My name is Anopheles. I am a female mosquito. I am one kind among more than 1400 types of mosquitoes. I have a slender, tube-shaped body, three pairs of long legs, and two narrow wings. My special needle-shaped mouth-parts can pierce the human skin easily. I love to bite humans and animals to suck their blood. When I bite a victim, I inject a secret substance that makes the blood flow more easily. My home is on or near still water.
- I enjoy damp and humid places, especially the muddy water which collect in swamps, ponds and in ditches. Pools or dirty water from kitchens and

bathrooms make good homes for us. I specialise in causing a serious disease called malaria.

Lesson 9 - Have a Cup of Nice Tea

A 1. In a class of 100 students, 70 like tea, 5 like milk, 10 like coffee and 15 students like lassi.

Out of 60 girl students 40 like tea, 5 like coffee, 10 like lassi and 5 girls like milk

Lesson 10 - Our Little River

Onam is the most popular festival of Kerala. It is celebrated in August or September. People get up early in the morning and take bath and wear new clothes. Girls make colourful designs with flowers in front of their houses. There are boat races and other games on the last day of Onam.

Lesson 11 - Grandchildren by Surprise

Greg Smith is a small boy with a huge IQ and even bigger heart. Before he was two, Greg could name all the dinosaurs that ever lived. At the age of nine, he passed high school with honours, and in May 2003, at the age of 13, he graduated from Randolph - Macon college in Virginia. Greg uses his free time to help children whose lives have been scarred by violence & poverty. The same year he was nominated as the youngest person for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Lesson 12 - The Chinese—Our Neighbour

Snow Festival - It is a festival of Japan celebrated in the month of February. At the Snow Festival people make statues from snow. Some of the statues are very big. You can just look at the statues - or you can make one yourself.

Carnival - It is a celebration of Brazil, held in February. People celebrate Carnival in many countries, but the best known is in Brazil. In Rio-de-Janerio, many thousands of people parade through the streets. They wear fantastic costumes and dance to Samba music.

Holi - It is a festival of India celebrated in March. On this day people play with colours.

Songkran - It is a festival of Thailand celebrated in April. On this day, everyone throws water at everyone else. The people have to roll up their car windows to avoid being sprinkled with water. It is also called the Water Festival. It is actually the Thai New Year celebration.

Lesson 14 - The Angel of Peace

Mother Teresa was born on 27th August 1910 at Skopje Yugoslavia . She was called Agnes. At the age of 18, she left home to become a nun. After training, she was sent to Kolkata. There she taught at a convent high school as a Geography teacher and later became its principal.

She was honoured all over the world for her humanitarian work. She was awarded the Padmashree in 1962, International Pope John XXIII peace prize in 1971, Nobel Peace prize in 1979, Bharat-Ratna in 1980 and many other National and International awards.

She was one of the few people given a pass by the Indian Railways to travel free wherever she liked. Apart from India, her humanitarian work expanded into countries like America, U.K., Tanzania and Venezuela. A volunteer who worked with her said, “Mother Teresa sees God in us all.” Mother passed away on 5th September 1997.

Lesson 15 - The Glorious Whitewasher

1. Meenu is 10 years old. She is naughty and loves to play at the sea-shore.
2. Pratap is 22 years old. He is preparing for competitive examinations.
3. Mrs. Joseph is a retired teacher. She is planning to get all her poems published.
4. Nikki thinks that her grand mother makes the best sweaters in the world.
5. Vinod loves to wear clothes like the heroes in films.
6. Asif is always ready to make people laugh.

7. Aruna wants to learn more about Hindustani Music.

8. Binu is now the fastest bowler in his school.

Lesson 16 - Half-way down

1. You board trains here.
2. Fruits, vegetables and grains are sold once a week here.
3. This place is meant for treatment of patients.
4. You can send your parcels from here.
5. Children play here in the evenings and during holidays.
6. You can make phone calls from this place.

Lesson 17 - Making Best Out of Waste, Her Forte

1. Tear the colourful waste paper into little bits.
2. Draw a big fish on the white sheet.
3. Spread gum on the fish.
4. Spread the wool yarn and paper bits on the fish drawn by you.
5. Press the fish and dry it up.

Lesson 18 - Dear Diary.....

Once a stag saw his reflection standing beside a pond. He thought of his horns. "How beautiful are my horns" said the stag to himself. But when he saw his legs he thought "I wish my legs were as beautiful as my horns."

One day he was chased by hunters and dogs. His long and ugly legs helped him to run fast and escape. But his horns were caught in the branches of a thorny bush. The stag tried very hard but he failed. He began to think; "My long and ugly legs helped me to run fast, but my beautiful horns got me into this trouble."

Lesson 20 -Unfriendly Nature

Long-long ago there lived an old and poor wood cutter with his wife. They lived near a thick forest. The wood cutter went to the forest to cut wood.

One day, as the wood cutter went into the deep forest, he felt very tired and thirsty. He searched for water. At last he saw a pond. The water of that pond was very cold and sweet. The wood cutter drank it.

Suddenly, he looked at himself in the cool water of the pond. He was surprised. His face looked different. He was young and handsome now. He went happily to his home and told his wife about the pond.

Next day his wife went to that pond and drank and drank and drank the cold and sweet water. She did not return home. The wood cutter was worried. He ran into the deep forest and reached the pond. His wife was nowhere. Instead, a little baby was crying in the tall green grass.

The wood cutter lifted the helpless baby in his arms with great-sorrow and carried her home. The little baby was his wife.

Answer the following questions.

1. Where did the wood cutter live?
2. How did the wood cutter feel in the forest?
3. What did he see in the pond water?

Lesson-21 The Great Sculler

Last Sunday we saw a 20-20 match between Class VI and Class VII of the Inter Class Cricket Tournament of our school.

1. He bowled 4 overs, took the wickets of Rakesh, Vinod, Peter and gave away 28 runs.
2. In 4 overs that he bowled, he took the wickets of Anil, Rajendra, Manjeet and Saurav, giving away 25 runs.
3. He took four wickets, bowled a maiden over and gave away 22 runs.
4. The two wickets he took were of Abhay and Wasan and gave away 21 runs in 4 overs.
5. He could not succeed in taking any wicket but gave away only 16 runs in 4 overs, out of which one was a maiden over.