



Std.: K.G. to 12 Com. Eng. & Guj. Medium

9. The title of the play is 'The proposal' and it is a very apt one because the whole play is about Lomov proposing Natalya. Right from the beginning to the end of the play, the story revolves round a marriage proposal. Lomov comes to Natalya's house to propose to her but even before he does it, they both start fighting. As a result, Lomov becomes sick and leaves. Natalya's father informs her about the intention of Lomov and she starts lamenting over the loss. Lomov is called back and once again an argument ensues before proposing. Hence, we can say that the title is perfect for the play.

10. After enlightenment, Buddha started to spread his teachings about life, truth and the likes of it. He told that death and suffering are the part and parcel of life. No one can avoid this truth. One has to meet one's destined end one day. Whoever has come to the world, will die one day. In the hour of grief, one must remain calm and composed so that grief doesn't overcome one. People who are wise, never complain or lament over their loss. They accept the truth and be blessed with it. So, the wisdom lies in the fact that people should not get distressed with pain, suffering and death.

11. Over many days and months, Valli listened carefully to conversations between her neighbours and people who regularly used the bus and asked a few discreet questions here and there. She came to know that the town was six miles from her village, the bus fare was thirty paise and the bus trip took forty-five minutes. She also thought that if she stayed in the bus and came back by the same bus it would only cost her sixty paise. She painstakingly saved each and every penny she got, resisting all temptation to buy peppermints, toys, etc. and even a ride on the merry-go-round at the village annual fair so as to save sixty paise. It was a secret trip which she had planned without the knowledge of her parents.

12. When the box was opened, Mij went out of the box. He disappeared at a high speed down the aircraft. There were cries all around. A woman stood up on her seat screaming that there was a rat. He saw Mij's tail disappearing beneath the legs of an Indian passenger. He dived for it, but missed. The airhostess suggested him to be seated and that she would find the otter. After a while, Mij had returned to him. It climbed on his knee and began to rub its nose on his face and neck.

OR

12. Maddie didn't ask Peggy to stop teasing Wanda because Peggy was the most popular girl in the school. She was a nice girl but when it came to Wanda she behaved differently, otherwise she helped everyone in trouble. Though, she wants Peggy to stop teasing Wanda, she didn't ask her to do so as she was afraid of being the next target of such taunts and teasings.

13. The pirate had pistols in his left and right hands. He had held a knife in his teeth. He looked very dangerous with his black beard and one wooden leg.

14. When Belinda, Mustard, Ink and Blink saw the pirate, they were terribly frightened. Belinda turned pale out of fear and started shouting for help. Mustard ran away terrified uttering a short cry, Ink moved away to the bottom of the household and Blink ran away into a mousehole.

17. The dragon had big sharp teeth, and spikes on top of him and scales underneath but everyone laughed at him as he always cried for a nice, safe cage whereas everyone boasted about their bravery. But when the pirate entered, all were scared and ran away and disappeared except Custard who faced him boldly, attacked him, hit him hard with his forceful tail and gobbled every bit of him. All of them later felt obliged to Custard for saving their lives.

18. The woman says that an old religious man found a text. It proves that for God colours do not matter for love. God loves all the human beings for themselves alone and not their physical appearance.

19. The poet compares the 'long-cramped' branches that have been shuffling under the roof to newly discharged patients who look half-dazed as they move towards the hospital doors after long illnesses and wait to get out of the hospital. The branches also have cramped under the roof and want to get out into the open to spread themselves in fresh air.

OR

19. Amanda seems moody most of the time because she is trying to make an escape from her sorry reality where she is nagged most of the time. It is indeed a sorry state for a small child like Amanda to bear. Here the only defence against such reality is her imagination where she often escapes to. Hence, it makes her look moody and uninterested.

20. Bill told the lawyer that he knew Lutkins' mother. He said that she was a terror. He narrated an incident when he took a trunk to her once and she almost took his skin off because he did not carry it carefully. He also said that she was very tall and bulky. She was very quick and could talk a lot. He said that Lutkins must have heard that somebody was chasing him and consequently would have gone into hiding at his mother's place.

21. Bholi had been a neglected child at home. She was never bathed nor her clothes washed. She was criticised and everyone made fun of her. But, she found her teacher to be entirely different. Her teacher did not make fun of her ugliness or her stammering. She encouraged her tenderly. Her affection deeply touched Bholi's heart.

22. Truth and honesty would have saved Matilda from her doom. If only she has been courageous enough to confess to her friend the truth of the necklace, she would have come to know that it was a fake one that cost a mere five hundred francs. She would not have spent her husband's entire inheritance and borrowed eighteen thousand francs to pay for its replacement. In fact, she would have saved herself and her husband from ten long years of crushing poverty, misery and back-breaking labour.

OR

22. The qualities that go into the making of a scientist are to start with a first-rate mind, add curiosity, and mix in the will to win for the right reasons. Besides a driving curiosity it also requires that one has a bright mind. One should be competitive, and not interested in winning for winning's sake or winning to get a prize but because one wanted to do the best job one could. For the right reasons, he or she must always want to be the best.

23. he regards the field

regards

regarded

24. of ripe corn with it's flowers, **it's** **its**

25. draping in a curtain of rain.

draping

draped

26. And suddenly a strong wind

And

But

27. began blowing and along with **blowing** to **blow**

28. the rain very large heilstones
began to fall.

heilstones hailstones

29. to 34.

The class roared. I had to laugh **too, though**. I'd nearly exhausted my ingenuity **on** the topic **of** chatterboxes. It was time to come **up, with** something else.

35. to 38.

“Anne Frank, as punishment for talking in the class, write an essay entitled ‘Quack Quack, Quack,’” said Mistress Chatterbox.

39. I switched on the radio and asked Paris control introducing myself as Dakota DS 088 if he/she could hear me. I added that I was on my way to England and I ended my speech. Then the voice from the radio answered me immediately addressing me as DS 808 that he/she could here me. Then he/she instructed me to turn twelve degrees west then. Then he/she finished his/her talk.

40. I am greatly selfish in my grief.

41. They have preserved the sermon.

42. Gautam Buddha once went out into the world with a view to seeking enlightenment.

43. He went unnoticed by them.

44. In the Tigris marshes mosquitoes are not more common than offers.

45. Fire might have been born by friction of leaves, or twigs, a stroke of lightening or even may be by some natural combining of chemicals.

46. Man used fire to soften the metal, temper the metal and then to combine metals to obtain stronger and more supple metals.

47. The miracle of fire made primitive man worship fire as God. Man also made fire a central part of his ceremonies of devotion, his life and also his home. Primitive man carried it where ever he wandered and never let it completely extinguish.

48. The Romans gave capital punishment to the virgins of the temple of Vista.

49. 'Achieved'

50. The poet wishes that he prays to God powerfully, as water from a fountain rises, day and night.

52. The men, who know God, should lift their hands prayer, both for themselves and for their friends.

53. I : Good morning, doctor. Ooh! my stomach pain is unbearable. Please help me out.

Doctor : What did you eat last night?

I : It was my friend's birthday and we ate in a restaurant.

Doctor : Did you eat something made of 'menda'.

I : Yes, doctor. I am fond of 'pasta' and enjoyed it full belley.

Doctor : Take these tablets three times. Avoid eating anything at least for today. You can take lemon water or fruit juice, nothing made of milk.

I : Okay. Will it be alright till evening, sir.

Doctor : You may have loose motion two to three times or vomiting once or twice, but everything will be okay.

I : Thank you, sir.

53. January 29, 2022, Saturday

Rajpath Club, S. G. Highway, Bodakdev,

Ahmedabad – 380 054.

8 : 00 p.m.

A number of posters had attracted a huge crowd to witness the concert by A. R. Rehman. It was held in the large open ground of Rajpath club. Tight security was deployed. Right from managing vehicles parking to checking entry passes, the security guards were doing their duty with great agility. Hundreds chairs were arranged in the huge open ground facing a huge stage. Not less than fifty musicians formed the orchestra. People were greatly excited and without any delay, the concert was declared open by the mayor. With the entry of A. R. Rehman, the exhilarated audience almost stood up and welcomed him with a great round of applause. One by one the songs were presented with melodious notes of lucrative orchestra. The song 'Jay ho' stole the show. It drove the audience almost crazy. Everybody was dancing frenzied. It seemed to be a mass hysteria. The concert went on for almost four hours, people would never forget it.

– Harshit Thakkar

54.

Car To Be Sold

Make : Maruti

Product : Brezza

Production Year : July, 2021

Purchase Date : November, 2021

Run : 4,000 km only

Mileage : 17 km per litre

Approx Price : 5 K (Negotiable)

Contact : Nisarg Shukla 95969 79899

54.

NOTICE

Sheth M. J. Sarvodaya Vidyalaya

Kada, Ta. - Visnagar

Annual Day Celebration

January 6, 2022

Thursday

This is to inform you that our school is going to hold the annual day celebration on February 7, 2022.

The recreation club has decided to hold the following events for the said celebration :

- One act play
- Dance items including 'Garbas'
- Mimicry
- Filmy and Non-Filmy songs

Those who are interested in participating any of these items, kindly enroll your nominations with the secretary Mr Rahul Pancholi latest by Jan. 15. No entries will be entertained then after.

Rahul Pancholi

Secretary,

Recreation Club

55.

Secrets to Healthy Snacking

Hundreds of parents and students participated in 'Nutritious Food and Snacks Competition' organized by Vaibhav Public School, Hastinapur, yesterday, to increase awareness about healthy eating habits. The awareness campaign was aimed at both students, who snack by grabbing burgers, fries, potato chips, or chocolates, as well as for parents, who are juggling busy schedules where fast food becomes a convenient option. The school organized a Healthy Cooking Competition wherein all recipes involved healthy food like salads, whole grain breads and roasted snacks.

The winner amongst parents was Ms Mona Dave and amongst students was Arnab Goswami of XII B.

The eminent nutrition expert, Dr Malvika, the chief guest said, 'When it comes to smart snacking, think small portions, think healthy potions!' This competition was an eye-opener for one and all.

56. 54, Shakuntal Society,

Race Course Road, Rajkot.

May 23, 2022

Manager,

Hotel Anupriya Inn,

Manali.

Dear Sir,

I have been a loyal customer of your hotel and have always appreciated the excellent customer service you offer. Yet a recent unpleasant experience at your hotel has shaken my belief in your ability to provide top notch customer care all the time.

I stayed in room 305 of your Manali hotel from May 16 to May 19. Throughout my stay I was served mediocre food. The bathroom fittings were faulty and the room service was pretty bad: they rarely changed my bed sheets or towels. Worse still, I had an extremely noisy neighbour who took great pleasure in entertaining visitors until 3 am. I complained to the manager but that didn't improve the situation until the third day of my stay.

I am writing to encourage you to improve your customer service as I don't want this experience to ruin my positive impressions about your hotel. If this is the kind of service that loyal customers receive, I can only imagine how worse it can get in the case of others. I just hope that these problems will be solved prior to my next visit.

Sincerely,

Manpreet

OR

56. To : charmy24@yahoo.com

Subject : Using internet

Dear Charmy,

I have heard about your love for internet. I agree that it is a very important and useful source of increasing our knowledge. However, I am afraid. We, the students treat it mostly for fun and entertainment. Not only this, we use it for giving all information about ourselves. When we do so, we are inviting trouble. I would suggest you that it should be used very carefully. Make it a point never to use the internet without informing your parents about what you intend to do. Second, it is very likely that you develop some sort of intimacy with some people while talking to them on the internet. Do not accept their invitation to meet you face to face. Personal information like your password or your bank account number are not the things of public use. Never disclose them.

Truly yours,

Chiranjeev

57. (1)

Value of Discipline

Discipline is the law of nature. It is in man's best interest to observe discipline in all walks of life. Discipline is the backbone of character. Without discipline, nothing great can be achieved in life. A man who does not observe discipline in life has to suffer. He becomes lethargic and arrogant. He is disliked by all. A student who does not obey his teachers and does not do his homework does not get success. An employee who does not work sincerely in office may be sacked any time. If sportsmen do not observe discipline cannot hope to win any match. In the army, discipline is of utmost importance. Discipline leads to harmony whereas indiscipline leads to confusion. No life is worth living without discipline.

A disciplined person is an asset to himself, to his family, to his society, to the nation and to mankind. Discipline works everywhere. It controls the physical movements and our morals. There is no sphere in heaven and the Earth where discipline does not dominate.

(2) Internet Today

We live in the age of the internet. Also, it has become an important part of our life that we can't live without it. Besides, the internet is an invention of high-end science and modern technology. Apart from that, we are connected to internet 24 × 7. Also, we can send big and small messages and information faster than ever.

It is very difficult to estimate the area that the internet cover. We can access in any corner of the world. Also, it is very easy to use and manage. In today's world, we cannot imagine our life without it. During its journey, the internet has adopted many things and become more user-friendly and interactive. Besides, every big and small things are available on internet and article or material that you require can be obtainable from internet. The Internet can be used to do different things like you can learn, teach, research, write, share, receive, e-mail, explore and surf the internet.

Earlier, we have to stand in queues to send mails (letters), for withdrawing or depositing money, to book tickets, etc. but after the dawn of the internet, all these things become quite easy. Also, we do not have to waste our precious time standing in queues. Also, the internet has contributed a lot to the environment as much of the offices (government and private), school and colleges have become digital that saves a great amount of paper.

Although, there is no doubt that the internet had made our life easier and convenient but we can't leave the fact that it has caused many bigger problems in the past. And with the speed, we are becoming addict to it a day in will come when it will become our basic necessity.

OR

57. A Terrible Collision

Night before the zonal debate competition, I was practicing my part till late night. Everyone was fast asleep. Even I was planning to sleep. Suddenly, there was a loud crash. I jumped out of my bed and rushed out to see the cause of that sound. The sight outside was ghastly. Two cars had collided with each other because of dense fog. The occupants of both the cars were screaming and shouting for help. Other people had also come out of their houses after hearing the sound. In a flash of second, everyone started helping the injured. There were four young men in one car who were returning after attending a party while a family was there in the other car. The drivers of both the cars were badly injured. I called up the ambulance service and the police as well. Within no time, the ambulance reached there. It was a tough job taking the passengers out of the front seat as they had got stuck in their seats due to the collision. Many helping hands come forward and finally all the passengers of both cars were taken out. They were shifted to a nearby hospital. Two people had not received serious injuries so they were asked to inform their family members about the accident. One man from the crowd informed the authorities to send a crane as the cars had blocked the road as well. It took almost one hour for all this. Then I went inside but I could not practice more due to the terrific scenes flashing in my mind. The only good thing was that nobody had lost his life and were safe.

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