

Crying

1. According to the poet, should you cry a little or should you cry a lot?

Solution:

You should cry a lot, according to the poet.

2. What can you do after crying a lot?

Solution:

After crying a lot, you can laugh from the bottom of your heart.

3. (i) Read the first two lines of the poem. Is the mood

happy?	sad?	angry?	jealous?	upset?
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(ii) In the last few lines the mood of the poet has changed. What is it now?

very happy	angry	cheerful	sad	jealous
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Solution:

(i) In the first two lines of the poem, the poet is sad.

(ii) In the last few lines, the poet is very happy.

4. Are these sentences right or wrong?

(i) The poet says you must not cry much. ()

(ii) The poet says that you should cry till your pillow is soaked. ()

(iii) The poet says that after crying you should open the window and laugh so that people will see that you are happy. ()

(iv) The poet says that you should open the window and show people that you are crying. ()

Solution:

(i) Wrong.

(ii) Right.

(iii) Right.

(iv) Wrong.

5. Word Building

The word ends in and comes from the word happy. Write three words that end in the same way.

Which words do they come from?

_____ ness; _____
_____ ness; _____
_____ ness; _____

Solution:

sadness - sad

happiness - happy

neatness - neat

6. Fill in the blanks with the exact word.

- (i) The tourists were _____ to see the beautiful Taj Mahal. (amazed, shocked, worried)
(ii) The lights went out suddenly. I was alone and _____. (worried, shocked, frightened)
(iii) He has been ill for a long time and his parents were _____. (unhappy, worried, angry)
(iv) The shopkeeper was _____ when he saw his safe wide open with all his money missing. (unhappy, shocked, angry)

Solution:

- (i) The tourists were **amazed** to see the beautiful Taj Mahal.
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My Elder Brother

1. What are the things that Munna liked to do?

Solution:

Munna liked to play games such as football, volleyball, kabaddi and fly kites.

2. What did Bhaiya do all day?

Solution:

Bhaiya was involved in studies all day. Sometimes he studied the same word and sentences several times in order to learn them better.

3. Why was Munna not happy with the timetable that Bhaiya made for him?

Solution:

Munna loved to play. He was not happy with the timetable because there was no scope to play in it.

4. How do you think Munna felt when his brother was so strict with him? Why was Bhaiya so strict with him?

Solution:

Munna felt disappointed. Bhaiya was strict with him because Munna was playful by nature and wanted to play games like football, volleyball etc, all the time.

5. Whose character do you like more — Munna's or Bhaiya's? Why?

Solution:

I liked Bhaiya's character more than Munna because Bhaiya was dutiful and was aware of his responsibilities towards his younger brother. He also gave importance to his father's hard earned money.

6. After reading the letter, answer the following questions.

- (i) Who has written the letter? _____
- (ii) To whom has the letter been written? _____
- (iii) Where is the writer of the letter? _____
- (iv) What is the name of his hostel? _____
- (v) On which date was this letter written? _____

Solution:

- (i) The letter was written by Pratap.
- (ii) The letter was written to his mother.
- (iii) The writer of the letter is in his Hostel.
- (iv) The name of his hostel is Krishna Boys' Hostel.
- (v) The letter was written on 10th July 2000.

7. Now, write a letter to your friend or relative in another city telling him/her about activities/events in your school.

Follow the same pattern as the above letter.

Solution:

Sapna Girl's Hostel
Bharatiya Vidya Mandir
Chennai
28th August 2015

My dear Sneha,
How are you? I hope everything is fine. Last week I was busy celebrating the 68th Independence Day in our school. On this occasion, cultural programmes like dance, singing competitions were held. Students of lower classes participated to pay tribute to soldiers who struggled for the country's freedom. I also participated in drawing posters on the freedom struggle. Freedom fighters are considered as heroes who helped the nation to get freedom. A salute to all the soldiers who lost their lives for the country. We had a great day. Convey my regards to your parents. Please do write back soon.
Your loving friend
Shreya

8. Why did Oliver live in the orphanage?

Solution:

Oliver had no home to live. Hence, he lived in the orphanage.

9. Who was Mr Bumble?

Solution:

Mr Bumble was the owner of the orphanage.

10. What meals were the boys given?

Solution:

A bowl of watery soup was given to the boys as a meal.

11. What did Oliver say to Mr Bumble?

Solution:

Oliver said "Please Sir, I want some more soup" to Mr Bumble.

12. The boys were given three meals a day. Then why were they always hungry?

(i) Because the soup they were given was never enough.

(ii) Because they worked very hard all day long.

(iii) Because the older boys drank up their soup.

Solution:

They were always hungry because the soup they were given was never enough.

13. Find the words from the passage that mean the same as

(i) very hungry (para 2)

(ii) to vanish (para 3)

Solution:

(i) Starving is the word which means the same as very hungry.

(ii) Disappeared is the word which means the same as vanish.

14. 'All the boys assembled in the cold stone hall.' Here the word means

(i) moved away (ii) collected (iii) worked together

Solution:

The word 'assembled' means collected.

15. From the word 'assembled' remove the last two letters. Add one letter to make a word which means a time at the school when the whole school gathers.

assembl_____

Solution:

The word which means a time at the school when the whole school gathers is “assembly”.

16. Give a suitable title to the passage.

Struggle of Oliver in the Orphanage.

17. To learn means to understand or to gain knowledge. To teach means to show how or to explain.

learn	learns	learned	has learned
teach	teaches	taught	has taught

Complete the following sentences using the correct form of or learn learns learned has learned teach teaches taught has taught

(i) Will you _____ me chess?

(ii) Mr Sharma _____ Class VIII.

(iii) The students have _____ about ‘road safety’.

(iv) My sister has _____ me how to ride a horse.

(v) I have _____ some of the customs of India.

(vi) I _____ how to cycle when I was just four years old. assembled To learn To teach teach learn.

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(v) I have **learned** some of the customs of India.

(vi) I **learned** how to cycle when I was just four years old.

18. Choose the correct word and complete the paragraph.

All the class V students of our school _____ (were/ was) gathering in front of the Principal's office. They _____ (were/was) going for the inter-school race. The bus _____ (arrive/ arrived) and they _____ (leave/ left) for the stadium. The runners were _____ (taking/ taken) to the starting point. The runners _____ (take/ took) their positions. Sir _____ (blow/ blew) the whistle. One student of our school _____ (run/ran) fast and _____ (come/ came) first. Everyone _____ (do/ did) their best and our school _____ (won/ wins) the trophy. Everyone _____ (feel/ felt/ fell) joyous.

Solution:

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19. Read the following sentences.

Bhaiya has been studying in the same class for two years. (for a period of time)

Munna was flying kites since morning. (from a time in the past till the present)

Fill in the blanks using for or since.

- (i) I have lived in this house _____ I was a baby.
- (ii) This big jar has been in our family _____ many years.
- (iii) The old banyan tree in the village has been there _____ the last 200 years.
- (iv) Nobody has seen him _____ yesterday.

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