

Niscort Fr.Agnel school
Self –Learning worksheet
English-IX
Chapter-Keeping it from Harold

Q1.Read the extract and answer the questions that follow:

“Percy, if you don’t keep quiet, I’ll forget I’m your sister and let you have one. What do you mean, Bill, you’ve come home? Isn’t there going to be the fight next week, after all?”

- a) Who is snubbing Percy?
- b) Why has Bill dropped the idea of fight?
- c) What was the result of this conversation?

Q2.Read the extract and answer the questions that follow:

Pa, can’t you give me a picture of yourself boxing? I could swank like anything .And you don’t know how sick a chap gets of having chaps call him, “Goggles.”

- a) The speaker wants to swank. Why?
- b) Why does the speaker feel sick?
- c) Find a word in the extract similar in meaning to ‘Man’.

Q3.What made Bill withdraw from the contest against Murphy at the eleventh hour?

Q4.Harold was an embodiment of decency, good behavior and intelligence but hated truth being kept from him. Give a pen portrait of Harold Bramble in your own words?

Q5.The dramatic irony in the story is that the Brambles tried to hide the fact that could have been a matter of pride and swanking for Harold. Give a reasoned answer?

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Chapter-Song of The Rain

Q1. Read the extract and answer the questions that follow

“I am the sigh of the sea, the laughter of the field and tears of heaven.”

- a) Who is the speaker of the above line?
- b) Why is it the sigh of the sea?
- c) What does laughter of the sea refer to?
- d) “Tears of heaven” refer to?

Q2. Read the extract and answer the questions that follow

I am dotted silver threads dropped from heaven
By the gods .Nature then takes me, to adorn
Her fields and valleys
I am beautiful pearls, plucked from the
Crown of Ishtar by the daughter of Dawn
To embellish the gardens

- a) How does the rain define itself?
- b) Why has nature adopted the rain?
- c) I am beautiful pearls”. Name the poetic devices used in this line?

Q3. Answer the following questions

1. The poet calls the rain “messenger of mercy”. Why?
2. What are the things that rain is compared to in song of the rain?
3. Why the rain is considered “divine”

Q4 Things are changing for the worse .due to adverse climatic changes; we have been scanty rains in the recent year’s .write an article on “not good or bad government but good or bad monsoon affect the millions in India”.

Q5. Describe the various functions performed by the rain and also highlight their effect on the Earthly objects and life.

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Chapter-The Man Who Knew Too Much

Q1. Read the extract and answer the questions that follow:-

The professor answered with a phrase that was to become familiar to all of us.”No, Sergeant. It’s all a matter of intelligent reading.”

- a) What was the name of the professor?
- b) Why was he called the professor?
- c) Write the noun form of intelligent?

Q2. Read the extract and answer the questions that follow:-

“Really, I must protest against this abominably unscientific and unhygienic method of peeling Potatoes. I need to only draw your attention to the sheer waste of vitamin values....”

- a) Who is “I” in the above lines?
- b) What was the unscientific and unhygienic?
- c) Find a word in the extract similar in meaning to hatefully.

Q3. What message does Alexander Baron want to give to the readers in ‘The man who knew too much’?

Q4. Justify the title ‘The man who knew too much’.

Q5. Imagine that you are Private Quelch and feel humiliated by a ruthless instructor like Corporal Turnbull. You genuinely feel that you are far ahead of your dull witted batch mates and deserve a much better treatment from them and from your instructor. Write a letter to your friend pouring out your dismay and grief at this shoddy treatment.

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Poem-Oh, I Wish I'd Looked After My Teeth

Q1. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow

“So I lay in the old dentist’s chair’
And I gaze up his nose in despair’
And his drill it do whine’
In these molars of mine’.

- (i) Where is the poet at the moment?
- (ii) Why is the poet in a state of despair?
- (iii) What did the dentist do to the poet’s teeth?

Q2. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow

I wish I’d been that much more willin’
When I had more tooth there than filin’
To pass up gobstoppers
From respect to me choppers’
And to buy something else with me shillin’

- (i) What is the wish of the poet in the above lines?
- (ii) What is meaning of ‘fillin ‘ in the above line?
- (iii) What is the rhyme scheme of these lines?

Q3. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow

‘How I laughed at my mother’s false teeth
As they foamed in the waters beneath
But now comes the beckon in’
It’s me they are beckon in

- (i) What did the poet do when she looked at the false teeth of her mother?
- (ii) How has the time for reckoning come for the poet?
- (iii) Find the phrase in the extract which means “took care of”

Q4. Answer the following questions:

- (i) Why does the poet wish that she'd looked after her teeth?
- (ii) Why the poet's conscience was got pricked?
- (iii) How did the poet feel in the old dentist's chair?
- (iv) How did the poet pave the way for "cavities, caps and decay?" Why and when his conscience was got pricked?
- (v) What message or lesson does the poem give to its readers?

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Chapter-Modal

Q1.Fill in the blanks using correct modals:

- a) Where.....we have our picnic?
- b)You like to have a sandwich?
- c)We please go to some other place?
- d) Peopleexercise regularly.
- e) Arjuneat with us tonight.

Q2. Complete the passage by filling in the blanks with appropriate models.

God is great and we (a).....be grateful to him. We (b)....do our duty and Leave the reward in the hands of God. Ultimately, God(c).....help us.We (d).....Leave everything to God.

Q3. Fill in the blanks with appropriate Modals:

- a)you live happily and long.
- b) I swim across the river when I was young.
- c) I.....be twenty-five next birthday.
- d) Thisbe the book you want, I suppose.
- e) I expected that Iget a first class.
- f) We should obey the laws and children.....obey their parents.
- g) We.....to love our neighbor.
- h) Howyou contradict me?
- i) Do you.....to go now?