7. Gender – A Social Issue

Worksheet 1

A Fil	ll in the blanks to com	plete the sentences:		
1.	Gender is	determined and is a .		_ concept.
2.	It refers toresponsibilities.	and	attributes, ₋	and
3.	Gender hunted and women min			times when men
4.	Genderresponsibilities.	$_{ extsf{-}}$ assumes that girls and $\mathfrak k$	ooys are fit only	for certain roles and
5.	. Government banned pre-natal sex determination to prevent			
6.	The Directive Principles of pay for	State Policy in the work to men and wome		ntee
7.	opened many schools and colleges to educate girls.			
8.	Government is taking sto at every level.	eps to stop	and	of women
B St	ate which of the follow	ving statements are tru	ue or false:	
1.	 Women cannot fly aircraft. Many men are chefs in hotels and restaurants. Men and women must share the chores at home. Men are not good dancers. Girls only play with dolls. Only men are allowed to become boxers. 			
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
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7.	Boys and girls should know how to stitch buttons.			
8.	Boys must not cry.			
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Answers to Worksheet I

- A. 1. culturally; social 2. social; cultural; roles 3. inequality; prehistoric 4. stereotyping
 - 5. female infanticide 6. Constitution; equal; equal
 - 7. Dayananda Saraswati 8. violence; harassment
- B. 1. False 2. True 3. True 4. False 5. False 6. False 7. True 8. False

Worksheet 2

A Read the following cases and say what is the correct thing to do in each:

- 1. Ajay wants to be a textile designer and his sister Aruna wants to study aeronautics engineering. What should their mother tell their father who wants Ajay to study engineering and doesn't want to educate Aruna?
- 2. Madanlalji is talking to his neighbour Mr Das about his children, Keshav and Meera. "I don't want Meera to take care of my orchards," he said. "It is Keshav who should do that, but he is not interested." "Why?" asked Mr Das. "He wants to join the army and she wants to run the orchard and farm!" exclaimed Madanlalji. "Does she know anything about farming?" asked Mr Das. "Oh, she's very good!" said Madanlalji. What advice should Mr Das give Madanlalji?
- 3. Mona was studying for her board exam when Mummy fell ill. Her younger brother, Hanu, whose exams were over, said, "Didi, you study. I can look after Mummy and can stay home." Papa said, "No, it's Mona's job to look after the house and Mummy. She can give the exams next year." Who do you think is right, and why?

Answers to Worksheet 2

- A. 1. Their mother should tell their father to let them study what interests each of them. That way, they will study hard and succeed.
 - 2. Mr Das should advise Madanlalji to let Mona look after the farm and orchard as she knows all about it, and let his son join the army.
 - 3. Hanu is right, because his exams are over, and Mona will lose a whole year of study if she stays to take care of her mother and the house. She can guide him and help when possible, but she must be allowed to appear for the exams.

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