

9. A Day of Celebration

WORKSHEET 1

COMPREHENSION

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Six year old Shubha sat at the table, swinging her legs and examining a sugar cube. She was sitting with her parents in Buggy's Restaurant, the first time she was eating out. And Daddy and Mummy had already told her several rules to follow.

'Don't run around.'

'Don't talk loudly.'

'Mustn't munch your food with your mouth open or talk with your mouth full.'

'Use the napkin, dear, not your sleeve!'

'Hold the fork with your left hand, and the knife with your right.'

'That's a soup spoon!'

'Daddy, how can you remember all this?' asked Shubha, looking at the army of spoons and forks and the different-sized glasses and plates on the table.

'You get used to it, Shubh,' said Daddy. 'Just keep doing what I say.'

'But what happens when I'm alone?' persisted Shubha. 'You can't always be there. You have to go to the office, don't you? How do I know what good behaviour is?'

'She's right, you know,' smiled Mummy.

There was a short silence and then Daddy smiled.

'Right! Just one rule,' he announced. 'Be considerate and kind. That's all! Everything else doesn't matter.'

And that's what Miss Shubha Chare now teaches the students in her class, remembering Daddy's wise words.

—'Daddy's Wisdom' by Devika Kumar

A. Answer the following questions.

1. Where was Shubha sitting?

2. Who were with her?

3. Mention any two rules she had been told to follow about eating.

4. What was the one rule Daddy told her?

B. Do you think it is necessary to be considerate and kind? Why or why not?

WORKSHEET 2

GRAMMAR

A. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions.

1. The book belongs _____ me.
2. Uday's puppy sleeps _____ a basket.
3. Would you make some tea _____ the visitors please?
4. Noni has been arguing _____ Jagan.
5. The car was parked _____ this lamp post.
6. This model aircraft was made _____ Vikas.
7. Can we go _____ this corridor to the library?
8. Mr Sharma walks _____ the park four times every day.

B. Fill in the blanks with appropriate conjunctions and state if they are Coordinating [C], Subordinating [S] or Correlative [Co].

1. Please ask Reema _____ Raghu to come for the party. []
2. _____ it was raining, Indu arrived on time. []
3. _____ Sahil _____ Gagan can escort the Chief Guest. []
4. I would have asked Papa, _____ he is out of town. []
5. We cannot go to Nainital _____ there is a landslide there. []
6. He speaks _____ Hindi _____ English. []

C. Change the following into reported speech.

1. He said, 'I am unable to come now because I'm ill.'

2. Ashok asked, 'Is it two o' clock?'

3. The little sparrow told his mother, 'I am ready to fly with you.'

4. The shopkeeper asked Mrs Gupta, 'What can I do for you?'

WORKSHEET 3

VOCABULARY AND WRITING

A. Match the words in Columns A with their synonyms in Column B.

Column A

Column B

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| 1. Hasten | (a) Steady |
| 2. Fragrance | (b) Crowd |
| 3. Firm | (c) Tattered |
| 4. Anxious | (d) Hurry |
| 5. Throng | (e) Perfume |
| 6. Ragged | (f) Worried |

B. Find the odd one out in each group.

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| 1. clay | mud | sand | peanuts |
| 2. pine | owl | fir | birch |
| 3. gift | jam | present | offering |
| 4. mole | ask | enquire | question |
| 5. gold | smoke | bronze | aluminium |
| 6. plug | hill | peak | mountain |

C. Write a diary entry about having received the highest marks in an English test in your class and what your teacher, classmates and parents said.
