

STUDY MATERIAL – ENGLISH

S.AJITH KUMAR

PROSE PARAGRAPHS:

1. Describe the struggles underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying?

Lesson : His First flight

Author : Liam O' Flaherty

Theme : Overcoming Fear

- ❖ The young seagull was afraid of flying.
- ❖ The parents motivated the bird to fly.
- ❖ The bird was not ready to fly.
- ❖ It was very hungry.
- ❖ The mother showed a fish and made the bird to dive.
- ❖ The bird started to fly in the sky.
- ❖ The seagull learnt the art of flying.

2. Describe the funny incident that caused the confusion in the house.

(OR)

Narrate the extensive search operation made by the policeman in the house.

Lesson : The Night the Ghost Got In

Author : James Grover Thurber

Theme : Fear leads to chaos and commotion

- ❖ The narrator heard a footstep.
- ❖ He thought it was a ghost.
- ❖ He woke his brother up.
- ❖ His brother slammed the door.
- ❖ The mother woke up on hearing the sound.
- ❖ She threw a shoe to the neighbour's house.
- ❖ The cops came and searched the house.
- ❖ They leave without any evidence.
- ❖ Grandfather had actually walked around.

3. Highlight the factors responsible for the all-women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition.

Lesson : Empowered Women Navigating The world

Characters : The Crew Members, An Interviewer

Theme : Women Empowerment

- ❖ Navika sagar parikrama was a project.
- ❖ It was undertaken to empower women.
- ❖ It is initiated in the Navy for Nari Sakthi.
- ❖ "Make in India " – sailing in INSV Tarini.
- ❖ Six women were shortlisted out of thirty.
- ❖ They were selected based on their survival skills.
- ❖ They started classroom courses.

- ❖ Later on they were given hands on training.
- ❖ Tactical training was given on medical emergency.

4. "Technology is a boon to the disabled". Justify.

Lesson : Tech Bloomers

Theme : Technology in our day to day lives

- ❖ The use of technology is increasing day by day.
- ❖ We use technology to live in comfort.
- ❖ Technology helps us to travel, to communicate and to learn.
- ❖ GPS and Google map helps us to explore new places.
- ❖ Globalised sharing of knowledge enhances learning process.
- ❖ Video conferencing reduces the travel time in business.
- ❖ Operating home appliances by voice commands is easy.
- ❖ Technology helps the disabled to overcome barriers.

5. How did Holmes trap Mr. Culverton Smith to confess the murder?

Lesson : The Dying Detective

Author : Arthur Conan Doyle

Theme : Catching the thief intelligently

- ❖ Sherlock Holmes was a detective.
- ❖ Watson was his friend.
- ❖ Holmes was sick with a deadly disease.
- ❖ He wanted Watson to bring Mr. Smith.
- ❖ Mr. Smith knew about his disease.
- ❖ He had murdered Mr. Victor, his nephew, infecting him with the same disease.
- ❖ On visiting Holmes, he confesses his crime.
- ❖ He has also got Holmes sick as Holmes had found out the truth.
- ❖ But Holmes gets Mr. Smith arrested.
- ❖ He had acted to make Smith confess the murder.

POEM PARAGRAPHS

1. Describe the journey of life as depicted in the poem by Henry Van Dyke.

Poem : Life

Poet : Hendry Van Dyke

Theme : Lead a happy life

- ❖ Life is an experience.
- ❖ Don't worry about the past and future.
- ❖ Live in the present.
- ❖ Live with courage.
- ❖ Lead life with a smile.
- ❖ Have faith in life.
- ❖ It will be the best.

Moral : Hope for the best

2. Write a paragraph on “The Grumble Family” and their attitude towards other folks.

Poem : The Grumble Family

Poet : Lucy Maud Montgomery

Theme : Be happy with what you have

- ❖ The grumble family lives on complaining street.
- ❖ They growl for everything.
- ❖ They are not happy with anything in life.
- ❖ They complain about the weather.
- ❖ They grumble for the rain and the sun.
- ❖ It is wise to stay away from them.
- ❖ Live life with a smile and a song.

3. How are today’s women portrayed by the poet?

Poem : I am Every Woman

Poet : Rakhi Nariani Shrike

Theme : The qualities of women

- ❖ Women are brave and strong.
- ❖ They work tirelessly.
- ❖ They can solve problems.
- ❖ They don’t give up.
- ❖ They have overcome bad days.
- ❖ They teach moral to the society.
- ❖ They should be loved and respected.