

9. The Tiffin Gang

Competency-based Questions Based on the Coursebook Lesson

A. Read the extract and answer the questions that follow.

Yummy smells waft towards her from other tables. Meenu's tummy growls and her mouth waters. She pushes her lunch away.

Three rows behind, Kamlesh is sulking. Her tiffin looks yummy. Doesn't she like it? Kamlesh looks up and sees Meenu with her tiffin box. 'Amma has sent me this again,' says Meenu.

Kamlesh shrugs at her own box. 'Jowar bhakri and bhaji. Again.'

Meenu's tummy rumbles.

GUR GUR GUR GUR.

'Can I taste it?' asks Meenu. Kamlesh pushes her tiffin towards Meenu and grabs Meenu's box.

Kamlesh gobbles up Meenu's idlis. Meenu wolfs down Kamlesh's jowar bhakri.

1. Do you think Meenu and Kamlesh liked their lunch? Give reasons.

No, Meenu and Kamlesh didn't like their lunch. Meenu pushed her lunch away and Kamlesh also sulked on seeing her lunch. Meenu and Kamlesh complained that they had got the same lunch again.

2. Do you also get bored of the food you get in your lunch? What do you do then?

No

3. Meenu and Kamlesh eat each other's lunch. Do you think they enjoyed it?

Yes, they enjoyed each other's lunch.
They also gobbled up each other's lunch quickly.

4. What is your favourite dish? Why do you like it? Do you think you will still like it if it were served to you every day?

My favourite food is panipuri. I like panipuri for its flavours and spices.
Yes, I can eat Panipuri everyday.

Vocabulary

A **collocation** is a combination of words that are commonly used together.

Some examples of different types of collocations are:

heavy meal (adjective-noun)

cup of tea (noun-noun)

make a difference (verb-noun)

whisper softly (verb-adverb)

A. Choose words from the box to complete the collocations.

vaguely

shortage

break

softly

rain

case

soap

change

1. remember (**verb**) ... vaguely ... (**adverb**)
2. torrential (**adjective**) ... rain ... (**noun**)
3. severe (**adjective**) ... shortage ... (**noun**)
4. take (**verb**) a ... break ... (**noun**)
5. keep (**verb**) the ... change ... (**noun**)
6. strong (**adjective**) ... case ... (**noun**)
7. bar (**noun**) of ... soap ... (**noun**)
8. talk (**verb**) ... softly ... (**adverb**)



B. Each word is missing a letter. Put the correct letter in the blank to complete the word.

1. approximately

3. argument

5. bureaucracy

7. amphibian

9. consecutive

2. archaeologist

4. beneficiary

6. binocular

8. anticipated

10. supersede

Grammar and Usage

A. Circle the personal pronouns in the sentences.

1. The ring she bought herself is very expensive.
2. The explanation you gave isn't very clear.
3. She hurt her finger while cooking.
4. I will bring the books myself.
5. Show me the books you bought for yourself.
6. He himself should be responsible for the accident.
7. I hate people interfering in business that is not theirs.
8. The chair you are sitting on is mine.

B. Complete these sentences using suitable subjects or predicates.

1. The girls are singing in the rain.
2. Meena and her parents have gone to the market.
3. The school is closed on Sunday.
4. The dress has red and black stripes.
5. The mountains were covered in snow.
6. It will be very difficult for them to find the address.
7. The doctor came in the nick of time.
8. The batsman scored a century.



The verb form can change depending on whether the subject is singular or plural. The basic rule states that a singular subject takes a singular verb, while a plural subject takes a plural verb. This is called **subject-verb agreement**. Verbs do not form plurals by adding an **s** as nouns do. In order to determine which verb is singular and which one is plural, think of which verb you would use with **he** or **she** and which verb you would use with **they**.

For example: **talks, talk**

Which one is the singular form? Which word would you use with **he**? We say, 'He talks.' Therefore, **talks** is singular. We say, 'They talk.' Therefore, **talk** is plural.

C. Choose the correct form of the verb.

1. The size of these shoes is not correct. (**is/are**)
2. The books borrowed from the library are on my desk. (**is/are**)
3. Collecting matchboxes is one of his hobbies. (**is/are**)
4. Each one of us plans to go for the picnic. (**plan/plans**)
5. Neither of my friends was there. (**were/was**)

D. Underline the verb form that has been used incorrectly and write the correct one in the space provided.

1. All the boys in the team is going to be given a pair of shoes.
2. Every person in the building have been rescued.
3. He are sure to win this race hands down.
4. The girl who were singing the song is my neighbour.
5. Each and every sailor on this ship have seen the ghost.

E. Fill in the blanks using suitable words from the box.

learn

meet

take

return

proceed

invite

transfer

swim

1. I would love to invite them for the party.
2. The adventurers planned to proceed towards the summit in the morning.

3. The fans wanted to meet the celebrity after the concert.
4. Ritu wants to transfer to another school in the city.
5. They are going to the library to return the books they issued last week.
6. Someone has to take an initiative to start the work.
7. You have to be a great swimmer if you want to swim in the sea.
8. I am planning to learn guitar from next month.



★ Composition : Diary Entry

- ★ Write about a place you and your family have visited recently and have enjoyed a great deal. Write as a diary entry. [Workbook]

30th September 2024

Time ÷ 9:00 pm

Dear diary,

I am so excited to write about our family trip to Goa. It was one of the most memorable trips I have ever been on, and I will cherish the memories forever.

We arrived in Goa early in the morning and checked into our hotel. After some time we went to the sea shore and the sound of the waves crashing against the shore was so soothing.

We spent the first day exploring the local markets. We also went on a boat ride and got to see some of the beautiful beaches and islands.

The rest of our trip was filled with fun activities like parasailing, jet skiing and swimming. We also visited some of the popular tourist attractions like the Basilica of Bom Jesus, Fort Aguada and the Dudhsagar Waterfalls.

The trip to Goa became one of the most memorable trip of everyone and it allowed us to spend quality time together as a family. I am already looking forward to our next adventure.

Yours,

Name