



Grade 9      English:      Language and literature      Subject Code 184

Text Book : Beehive

Lesson 1 - Prose “ The Fun They Had ” by Isaac Asimov

**New words:**

Nonchalantly

Sigh

Attic

Scream

Plenty

**Word meanings**

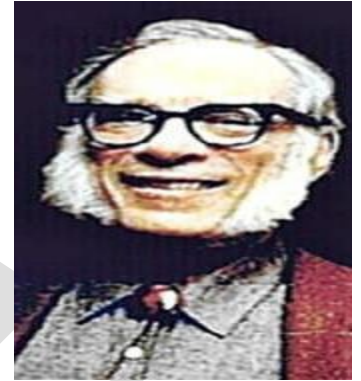
Crinkly = With many folds

Scornful = Hateful

Slot = A given space

Mechanical = Connected with machines

Dispute = To argue



**Q I Answer the following questions in 30 to 40 words:**

a) What kind of book that did Tommy show to Margie?

**Ans :** The book that Tommy showed to Margie was an old, real book which belonged to his grandfather's grandfather. It had crinkly yellow pages, where all the pages, where all the stories were printed on paper and the words stood still.

b) Why did Margie find the book strange?

**Ans:** The book had yellow and crinkly pages and the words were standing still unlike moving on a screen. When they turned back to the pages read before, there were the same words on it when they read it for the first time. All these things were strange for Margie.

c) Why did Margie's mother send for the County Inspector? What did he do?

Ans: Margie was not performing well in her geography tests. The county Inspector took the teacher apart and put it together again as its geography sector was geared a little too quick .

**II Answer the following question in 100 – 150 words :**

**a) How was Margie’s school different from the schools that existed hundreds of years ago?**

**Ans:** Margie’s school was at home. She had a mechanical teacher telebooks, no other students were there in the class and work was fed in by the mechanical teacher by punch codes. Whereas the old schools had proper buildings ,many students, human teachers who gave homework and asked questions .Every one learned the same things and the books were written on paper. So it is clearly visible that Margie’s school was totally different from the schools that existed hundreds of years ago.

**b) In spite of all comforts and luxuries in today’s world , our grandparents stills cherish their own time when life was quite tough. Give your own views regarding this in 80 – 100 words.**

**Ans :** Our grandparents lived during the years of 1950s to 1970s. At that time life was very simple yet tough. They had time to explore the surroundings and the world .They had parks to play with less pollution around them.. Mechanical gadgets were there, but were used only for necessary activities. There were rivers where they could go for picnics and treks, without the fear of getting allergy. The school was more of a place for fun where they met their friends.

They studied but were not competing with each other.. a For them togetherness was important rather than competition. In today’s world we are with our friends . We have all the facilities of life but we do not have time for our family and friends. We like to play but on computers and play stations rather than with our siblings and friends.