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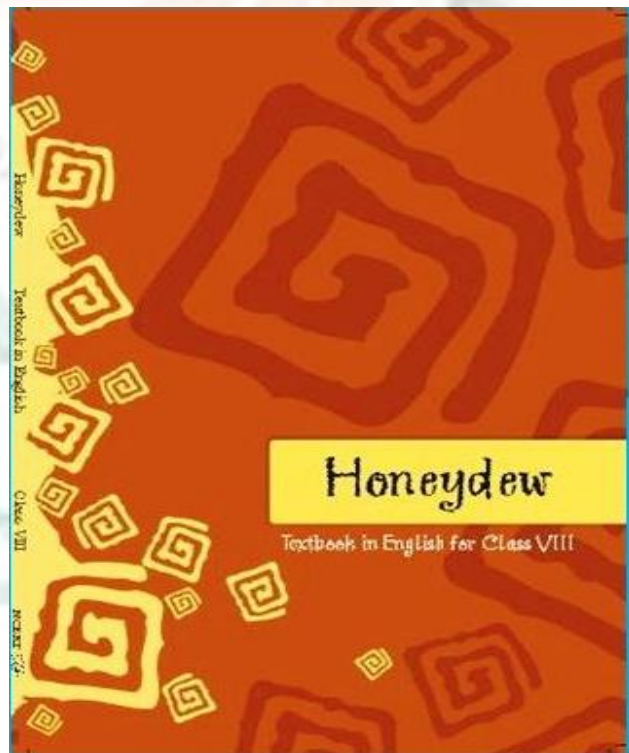
Shree Swaminarayan Gurukul, Zundal

**CLASS - VIII**

**SUBJECT – ENGLISH**

**MONTH - JUNE**

**BOOK – 1. HONEYDEW**





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**CH – 2 THE TSUNAMI**

❖ **SUMMARY**

In tsunami Ignacious, the manager of a cooperative society, lost two of his children, wife and father-in-law as he could not get alarmed by the tremor.

Sanjeev was a policeman. He jumped into the water to rescue his cook's wife, but they were both swept away.

Both Meghna's and Almas' families were washed away. Both of them kept floating in the sea for days. Meghna floated in the sea for two days holding on to a wooden door. She was brought to the shore by a wave. Similarly, Almas climbed on to a log of wood and fainted. She woke up in a hospital. Both the girls were traumatized after the incident. While Meghna was seen walking on the seashore in daze, Almas does not talk about the incident to anyone. Both of them were not noticed by relief helicopters.

Tilly Smith (a British school girl) was able to save many lives when the tsunami struck Phuket beach in Thailand as she had seen the sea behaving in the same way in a video in her class of a tsunami that had hit the Hawaiian islands in 1946. She had won a number of awards. The tourist thanked Tilly and her geography lesson that had warned her.

Before tsunami in India and Sri Lanka, wild and domestic animals fled to safety, elephants ran for higher grounds; dogs refuse to go outdoors; flamingoes abandoned their low-lying breeding areas as seemed to know what was about to happen.

It is believed that animals either possess a sixth sense or have more acute hearing that helps them to hear or feel earth's vibration. Near about 150,000 people killed in tsunami in a dozen countries but not many animals reported dead.

❖ **NEW WORDS**

1. Ignacious
2. Co-operative
3. Guest house
4. Overhead
5. Daze
6. Sea shore
7. Clinging
8. Fainted
9. Whirlpools
10. Landslides
11. Abandoned
12. Eyewitness



❖ **WORD MEANINGS**

1. Archipelago – A group of many islands and surrounding sea
2. Tremor – a slight earthquake
3. Chaos – complete disorder
4. Relief helicopters – helicopters bringing help for the people

5. Recede – move back from where it was
6. Traumatized – greatly shocked and distressed
7. Resort – a place where people go on holiday
8. Triggered – Caused
9. Hysterical – without any control over yourself
10. Refuge – Shelter or protection from danger
11. Withstood – endured without collapsing
12. Surge – force

❖ **ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS**

Q1. Why did Tilly's family come to Thailand?

Ans- Tilly's family came to Thailand because it was a part of their plan to celebrate Christmas.

Q2. How many people and animals died in Yala National Park?

Ans - As many as sixty people and only two water buffaloes died in Yala National Park.

Q 3. How do you think her geography teacher felt when he heard about what Tilly had done in Phuket?

Ans - Tilly had used what she had learnt in class. The teacher felt satisfied and pleased and was very proud of her.

Q 4. Do you think Tilly's mother was alarmed by them?

Ans- Yes, such an odd thing as sudden excessive swelling of the sea alarmed Tilly's mother Penny Smith but She had absolutely no idea whatsoever, of what was happening, what to do .

Q 5. Where had Tilly seen the sea behaving in the same strange fashion?

Ans- Before coming on vacation, Tilly saw the video of Tsunami in one of her geography classes.

❖ **ANSWER IN DETAIL**

Q1. Where did the Smith family and the others on the beach go to escape from the tsunami?

Ans- The Smith family and a few other families on the beach went to the swimming pool at the hotel initially. After a while, when the waves hit, the families ran for their lives and ended up on the third floor of the hotel to escape from the tsunami.

Q 2. What were the warning signs that both Tilly and her mother saw?

Ans - Normally a sea constantly follows the ebb and flow routine but on that day Tilly and her mother saw that the sea was continuously surging forward, which in itself is highly unusual.

## **WRITING SKILL**

### **MESSAGE WRITING**

A message is a short piece of information that is written for someone to whom you are unable to speak for some reason.

Sometimes, a message is passed on through a telephone. However, if the person for whom the message is meant, is not available, then someone else receives the message and conveys it to the concerned person by writing it.

Points –

1. The conversation should be incorporated in the message accurately and clearly.
2. A message can also be written based on some written inputs, instead of a telephonic conversation. For e.g. an announcement or written notes.
3. It should be enclosed in the box.
4. It should be written in the proper format.
5. Word limit should be fifty words.

**Q 1. You are Anita/Anish. You stay in a hostel and share a room with Mita/ Manish, your classmate. You have been detected with Typhoid fever. For this reason you have to be admitted in a hospital immediately. Draft a message telling your roommate why and where you are going and that you will be back in 7 days. Also request him/her to submit your English notebook for checking.**

#### **MESSAGE**

5 May , 2020

3:00 pm

Mita

**I am going to the hospital as I have been detected with Typhoid fever .I will be admitted in the hospital for 7 days. Please submit my English notebook for checking.**

Anita

**Q 2. You are Rajat, receive a phone call from your father's office in his absence and have the following conversation with the speaker. Write a message , for your father as you have to go for your tuitions. Put the message in a box.**

**Mr Gupta :** Hello, is this 25258654?

**You :** Yes. May I know who's calling?

**Mr Gupta :** I am Suresh Gupta. Can I talk to Mr Mahajan?

**You :** I am afraid Daddy is not at home. Do you have any message for him?

**Mr Gupta :** Yes, Please tell him that the meeting fixed for tomorrow i.e. 15th June has been cancelled

**You :** Ok Anything else.

**Mr Gupta :** Please tell him that we shall let him know as and when the next date for the meeting, fixed

**You :** Ok uncle, I shall tell Daddy when he comes back.

### MESSAGE

14th June, 2020

7:00 pm

**Daddy**

**Mr Gupta from your office had called on telephone stating that the meeting scheduled for tomorrow i.e. 15th June has been cancelled. He also informed that they would let you know as and when the next date is fixed for the meeting.**

**Rajat**