



GRADE – 6 - ENGLISH (HONEYSUCKLE)

UNIT-6. WHO I AM (POEM)

➤ SUMMARY

This lesson tells us that all the people in this world are different. People across the world have different likes and dislike. They have unique features and qualities and these have been described through various examples in the chapter. The characters in the lesson are as follow



Radha

She is an adventurous girl. She likes to climb on trees and there was a mango tree outside her house. Her mother tells her not to climb on trees. But one day she also climbed with her daughter. Both of them sat there and had mangoes. Radha feels she can conquer the whole world while climbing high on the tree.



Nasir

He cares for his family a lot. He has cotton fields in his village. His father spends a lot of money on purchasing new cotton seeds. Nasir's grandfather told him that once he used to collect seeds from his own plants which could be used to grow new plants next year. This does not work in present time and that's why they spend money to buy seeds. Nasir wants to know how to preserve seeds so that they can be used again.



Rohit

Rohit likes travelling. If he could afford, he would travel the entire world. He wants to see the mountains of New Zealand and sail down the Amazon river. He wants to see the beaches of Lakshadweep and the Konark temple in Orissa. He wishes to visit China and Egypt and enjoys seeing nature more than old buildings.



Serbjit

He wants to people to take him seriously. He becomes very angry when people do not believe him when he speaks the truth. His teachers could not believe him when he said he could not do his homework as his friend took his book and forget to return it. His parents could not trust him when he said his little brother started the fight. His teacher also did not believe him when he said he studied for the test but got poor marks. They think he was telling lies. But he always tries not to look angry.



Dolma's Wishes

Dolma wants to be the prime Minister of the country and serve the nation. She wants to make things better for everyone. She wants to build good infrastructure like good hospitals, roads and schools. She wants we should have good scientists, who can develop medicines to cure diseases. Everyone in her class approaches her for help and her teacher always trusts her.



Peter

Peter waits for second Sunday of every month because his family goes to the cinema hall. All the family members enjoy a film together and his father buys them peanuts. Peter loves to sit in the darkness of the hall, eating and watching the film. They eat ice-creams thereafter. They feel lucky to have such bonding.

➤ NEW VOCABULARY

1. Sensible
2. Comfortably
3. Preserve
4. Raft
5. Beaches
6. Pyramids
7. In advance

➤ WORD MEANINGS

1. Favourite – most liked, dearest
2. Climbing – going up
3. Spread out – to open or arrange something over a large area
4. Comfortably – in a relaxed manner
5. Sensible – responsible
6. In the fork – bifurcation (where branch of a tree splits into two parts)

➤ WORKING WITH THE TEXT

A. Answer the following questions.

1. Peter's favourite day of the week is Sunday because
On this day his family goes to a cinema hall and enjoy together.
2. Nasir wants to learn
How to collect and preserve cotton seeds.
3. Dolma believes that she can make a good Prime Minister because
She wants to make things better for everyone and have good roads, hospitals and schools.

B. Write True or False against each of the following statements.

1. Peter is an only child. False
2. When Serbjit gets angry he shouts at people. False
3. Nasir lives in the city. False
4. Radha's mother enjoys doing things with her. True

➤ Fill in the blanks to name the different kinds of intelligence. One has been done for you.

When I enjoy listening to people and solving their problems I use my interpersonal intelligence.

1. When I enjoy dancing or physical activity, I use my bodily intelligence.
2. When I enjoy looking at maps and examining pictures I used my visual intelligence.
3. When I enjoy working with numbers and solving maths problems I use my mathematical intelligence.
4. When I enjoy telling a story or arguing, I use my verbal intelligence.

➤ **SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS.**

1. What did Radha's mother tell her about climbing on trees?

Ans. Radha's mother told her that it was not sensible for girls to climb on trees. But later on they both climbed on the mango tree and ate raw mangoes. They enjoyed together.

2. Do you think Dolma will become a good Prime Minister? Give a reason.

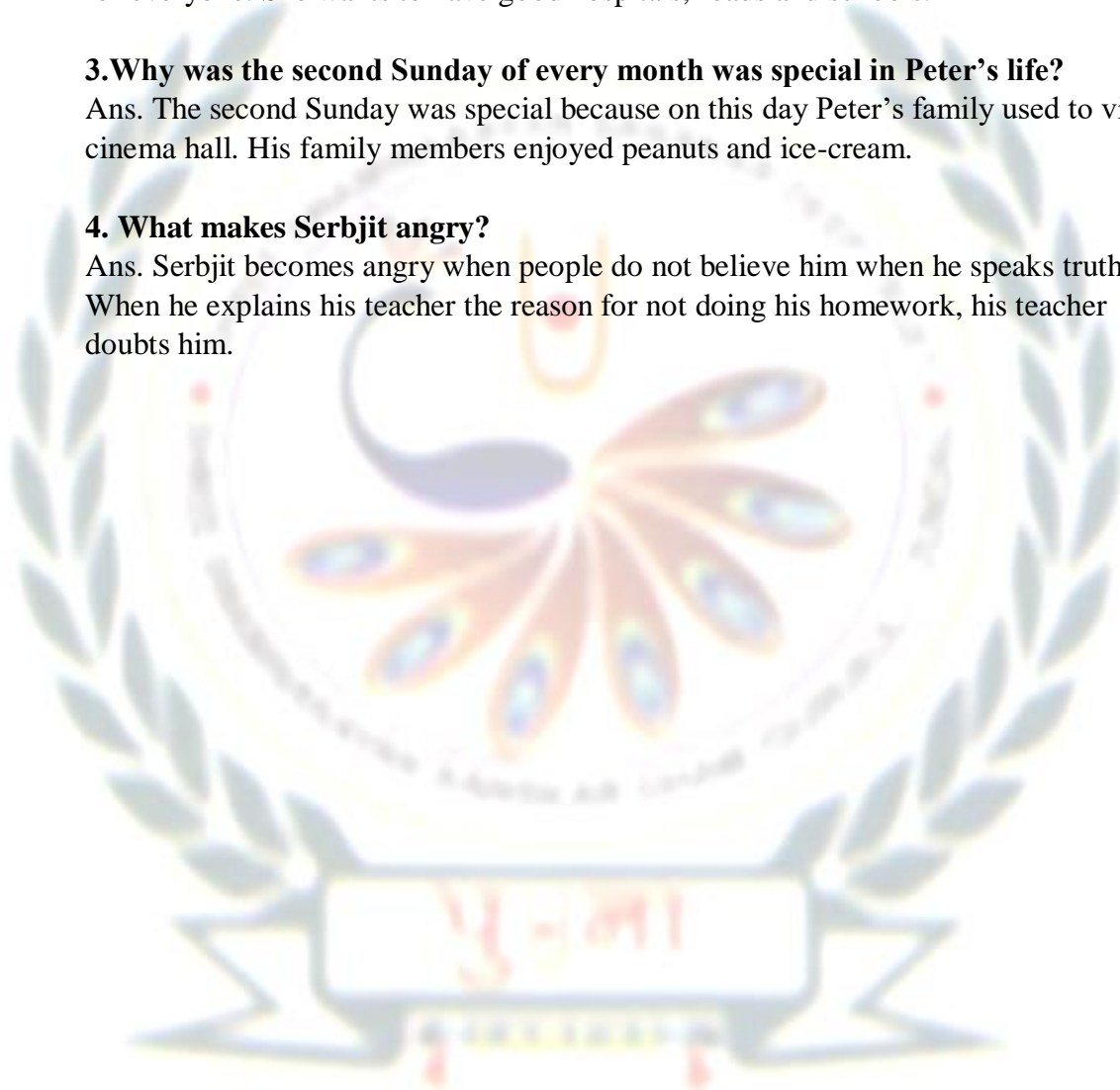
Ans. Yes, Dolma will become a good Prime Minister. She wants to make things better for everyone. She wants to have good hospitals, roads and schools.

3. Why was the second Sunday of every month special in Peter's life?

Ans. The second Sunday was special because on this day Peter's family used to visit a cinema hall. His family members enjoyed peanuts and ice-cream.

4. What makes Serbjit angry?

Ans. Serbjit becomes angry when people do not believe him when he speaks truth. When he explains his teacher the reason for not doing his homework, his teacher doubts him.





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UNIT – 6. WONDERFUL WORDS

Mary O Neill

➤ SUMMARY

The poet says that everyone speaks to express his thought. She further says that one must not let his thoughts die if he does not know how to express them. English is a wonderful language and people can learn it to express their thoughts effectively.

One should always look for better words to express his feelings. There are many thoughts in our heads and they should be conveyed properly. The thoughts should come out clearly. There are many lovely things which remain untold and should be conveyed.

The poet says that the words are very important to convey thoughts. Everyone wants to hear good and beautiful thoughts and only words can free those thoughts from our mind. The poet compares our mind with a prison which holds our thoughts. There might be wonderful thoughts in one's mind and it needs to be conveyed.

➤ NEW VOCABULARY

1. Handsomely
2. Groomed
3. Shrivell
4. Marvellous

➤ WORKING WITH THE POEM

1. With your partner, complete the following sentences in your own words using the ideas in the poem.

- (i) Do not let a thought shrivel and die because you don't know how to say it .
- (ii) English is a wonderful game . With words that everyone can play.
- (iii) One has to match words to the brightest thoughts in one's head.
- (iv) Words are the food and dress of thoughts.

2. In groups of four discuss the following lines and their meanings.

- (i) All that you do is match the words

To the brightest thoughts in your head

Ans. You have to look for proper and accurate words to convey your thoughts in a beautiful way.

(ii) For many of the loveliest things
Have never yet been said

Ans. There are many beautiful and lovely things which are still untold. They need to be told with the help of proper words.

(iii) And everyone's longing today to hear
Some fresh and beautiful thing

Ans. Everyone wants to hear something fresh and beautiful. If there is anything exciting, thousands of people would want to listen to it.

(iv) But only words can free a thought
From its prison behind your eyes

Ans. Mind is full of thousands of ideas and thoughts. Only proper words could liberate them from our mind.

➤ **SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTION**

1. Why did the poet say that "English is a wonderful game"?

Ans. English is a wonderful game because we can play with words frame them in such a way as to convey desired message.

2. Do you think words are the food and dress of thoughts? Give a reason to support your answer.

Ans. Yes, words are the food and dress of our thoughts because without them thoughts have no identity and meaning. Only words can express our feelings which we can convey to others. Thoughts will remain captive in mind in the absence of words.

3. What does the poet say about human thoughts?

Ans. The poet says that one must not let his thoughts die if he does not know how to express them. One should always express his thoughts with the help of appropriate words.

One should always convey his feelings clearly and truly without least hesitation.



GRADE 6 - ENGLISH (HONEYSUCKLE) UNIT – 7. FAIR PLAY (PROSE)

➤ SUMMARY

Jumman Shaikh and Algu Chaudhary were very good friends. They were known for their loyalty and service to each other. Their friendship was a support to their families as well. The village people respected them a lot for this.

Jumman's aunt transferred her property to Jumman on a condition that he would look after her throughout her remaining life. But after a couple of years Jumman and his wife changed their behaviour. She was not treated well by them and had to face a tough time. She was not given food. When things went beyond limits, she spoke to Jumman and asked him to give her some money on a monthly basis, so that she could run her house independently. Jumman neglected her words and insulted her. So, she dared to take the matter to the Panchayat. She chose Algu, Jumman's best friend, as her head Panch. Being a Panch Algu had no choice but to speak the truth. He gave his judgement in aunt's favour. Now Jumman had to pay a fixed monthly amount to his aunt as per the judgement. Somehow, Jumman was not able to take this in the right spirit. He developed hatred against Algu.

Few days later, Algu was caught up in a fix (difficult situation). One of his pair of bullocks died so he sold his other bullock to Samjhu Sahu. He was supposed to pay money within a month. But alas! The sold bullock died before the expiry of the period of the payment. So, Samjhu was not ready to pay money to Algu. Now Algu was left with no other option but to take the case to the Panchayat. This time, Samjhu Sahu appointed Jumman, now, enemy of Algu as the head Panch. As the head Panch Jumman realized that the responsibility of a head Panch is above everything in this world. Algu was afraid of losing the case but Jumman had to speak for the truth. So he gave judgement in his favour and ordered Sahu to pay the money to Algu.

Algu was so overwhelmed that he declared aloud that the voice of the Panch is the voice of God.

Both the friends hugged each other. Their tears cleaned their hearts.

➤ NEW VOCABULARY

1. Looked after
2. Grudged
3. Obvious
4. Allowance
5. Mum
6. Nominate
7. Abide by
8. Defence
9. Conscience
10. Seldom
11. Tight spot
12. Wretched



13. Nominate
14. Proposed
15. Dignity

➤ WORD MEANINGS

1. Looked after – take care
2. Respected – to have a high opinion of, to show regard
3. Became indifferent – lost interest in or did not care for
4. Grudged – gave unwillingly : felt angry/ unhappy about giving
5. Swallowed these insults – tolerated
6. Obvious – clear
7. Allowance – some share of money
8. Make it up – stop quarrelling, come to an agreement with
9. Mum – quiet/silent
10. Nominate – propose/ suggest someone's name for something
11. Abide by – accept
12. Defence – protection
13. Conscience – moral sense
14. Opinion – view, thinking
15. Seldom – rarely
16. Tight spot – difficult situation
17. Wretched – poor and unhappy
18. Seeking – asking for , to make a request
19. Proposed – suggested
20. Algu's heart sank – Algu felt discouraged
21. Dignity – high rank, respect
22. Cross-examined – questioned
23. Deviate - move away from

➤ WORKING WITH THE TEXT

A. Match the sentences under I with those under II

Ans. Part I

Part II

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| 1. Jumman and Algu were the best of friends. | (a) In the absence of one, the other took care of his family. |
| 2. Jumman's aunt transferred responsible for her property to him. | (b) The condition was that he would be her welfare the panchayat. |
| 3. The aunt decided to appeal to | (c) she wanted justice. the panchayat. |
| 4. Algu was unwilling to support Jumman the aunt. | (d) The bond of friendship between him and was strong. |
| 5. Jumman was very happy to hear against. Algu's name as head Panch. | (e) He believed that his friend would never go Him |

B. Who says this to whom and why?

1. “My wife knows best how to run the house.”

Ans. Jumman told this to his aunt. He did not want to give the old lady any allowance. He just wanted to get rid of her.

2. “But is it right, my son, to keep mum and not say what you consider just and fair?”

Ans. The old aunt told these words to Algu Choudhry. Algu was not ready to speak anything against his friend Jumman.

3. “What have you to say in your defence?”

Ans. Algu asked it to Jumman after being nominated as the head Panch. He wanted to do justice and both Jumman and the old lady were equal before him.

4. “I can’t pay you a penny for the wretched beast you sold me.”

Ans. Samjhu Sahu told these words to Algu. Algu sold his bullock to Sahu. The bullock died within a month. When Algu demanded his money, Sahu refused to pay him a penny.

5. “Victory to the Panchayat. This is justice.”

Ans. Algu said these words to everyone sitting for the panchayat. Jumman gave his verdict in favour of Algu and asked Sahu to pay money to him. Therefore, Algu shouted in joy and welcomed the verdict.

➤ ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

1. “There the situation changed.” What is being referred to?

Ans. The situation changed after a couple of years. After Jumman and his family started misbehaving with the old lady and became indifferent towards her. He and his wife began to ill-treat their aunt.

2. When Jumman’s aunt realised that she was not welcome in his house, what arrangement did she suggest?

Ans. Jumman’s aunt realised that she was not wanted in his house and asked for monthly allowance so that she could cook separately and not get insulted every day.

3. What was the villagers’ reaction when the aunt explained her case to them?

Ans. The old lady was seeking support from the villagers. Some of the villagers sympathised with her, other laughed at her and a few others advised her to make it up with her nephew and his wife.

4. Why was Jumman happy over Algu’s nomination as head Panch?

Ans. Algu and Jumman were best friends, therefore Jumman thought that Algu will give the verdict in his favour. So, he was happy over Algu’s nomination as head Panch.

5. “God lives in the heart of the Panch,” the aunt said. What did she mean?

Ans. The aunt meant that a person who acts as a judge becomes free and fair. A judge is not biased and everybody is equal in front of him.

6. What was Algu's verdict as head Panch? How did Jumman take it?

Ans. Algu heard the case and gave a fair verdict. He asked Jumman to either pay his aunt a monthly allowance or else the property goes back to her. Jumman was shocked to hear these words and became his enemy. He wanted his revenge.

7. Algu found himself in tight spot. What was his problem?

Ans. Algu was worried because one of his fine pair of bullocks died and he sold the other to Samjhu Sahu. Sahu was supposed to pay the price of the bullock, but he refused to pay as the bullock died within a month.

8. Why was Algu upset over Jumman's nominations as head Panch?

Ans. Algu was upset because Jumman was annoyed with him for the previous judgement. Jumman wanted his revenge and he got an opportunity to do so.





GRADE 6 – ENGLISH (SR) CHAPTER – 6. THE MONKEY AND THE CROCODILE



➤ SUMMARY

This is a story of friendship between a monkey and a crocodile. A monkey lived alone in a fruit laden tree on a river bank. He was very happy but used to feel lonely. He wanted to have someone to talk to.

One day, a crocodile came near that tree and the monkey offered him fruit to eat. The crocodile found it delicious and started coming daily. Soon they became very good friends. They both liked each other's company.

They discussed everything around them like birds, animals, villagers and their problems. Their closeness grew day by day.

The crocodile did not just eat the fruit himself but also carried some fruits for his wife. But his wife didn't like his friendship with the monkey. She expressed a wish to eat the monkey's heart. To keep his wife's words he invited his friend monkey to have dinner with him. While taking the monkey to his home, he told him the truth about his wife's wish.

Hearing that the monkey asked the crocodile to return back to the river as he had forgotten his heart on the tree. The crocodile swam back and reached the river bank.

Monkey quickly jumped onto the tree and threw some fruits to the crocodile and bid goodbye to the crocodile.

➤ NEW VOCABULARY

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| 1. Laden | 11. Dilemma |
| 2. Companion | 12. Betray |
| 3. Plucked | 13. Hesitatingly |
| 4. Annoyed | 14. Intention |
| 5. Hatched | 15. Distressed |
| 6. Obvious | |
| 7. Sarcasm | |
| 8. Occasionally | |
| 9. Furious | |
| 10. Pester | |



➤ WORD MEANINGS

1. Laden – covered with, full of
2. Companion – friend
3. Plucked – pick, pull
4. Annoyed – irritated
5. Hatched – process of emergence of young baby from an egg
6. Pester - to irritate someone by asking something repeatedly
7. Dilemma – in a difficult situation where one has to make a choice
8. Intention – motive, purpose
9. Distressed – suffering from pain



➤ **ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.**

1. The monkey was happy living in the fruit tree, but his happiness was not complete.

What did he miss?

Ans, The monkey was happy living on the tree full of fruits, but wanted a companion to talk and share the fruits with him.

2. What did the two friends generally talk about?

Ans. The monkey and the crocodile became good friends. They talk about birds, animals and the villagers who live nearby. They also talk about the problems faced by the villagers in growing crops.

3. Why was the crocodile's wife annoyed with her husband one day?

Ans. The crocodile's wife was annoyed with her husband because he stayed with the monkey for long time. His wife waited for him and managed the little crocodiles alone at home.

4. Why was the crocodile unwilling to invite his friends home?

Ans. The crocodile's wife wanted to eat the monkey's heart. The crocodile was not ready to invite the monkey to his home because he was not ready to kill his dear friend.

5. What did the crocodile tell the monkey midstream?

Ans. The monkey agreed to ride on the crocodile's back and visit his home. However, in the middle of the river, the crocodile told the monkey the truth that his wife wanted to eat his heart. The crocodile told him that he has brought him to kill.

6. How did the monkey save himself?

Ans. The clever monkey saved his life by playing a trick. He told the crocodile that he will meet his wife's demand. The monkey said that he has left his heart on the tree and need to return. The foolish crocodile returned to the tree to collect the heart. The monkey jumped on the tree and saved his life.

7. What does the last sentence of the story suggest? What would the crocodile tell his wife?

Ans. The crocodile must have thought to tell his wife in a strong way how she had spoiled a good relationship between him and the monkey. There were areas where she really needs to improve and change herself.