

# BANGALJHI RAMKRISHNA ASHRAM HIGH SCHOOL (H.S.)

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Class: X

Sub: English

F.M.: 90

Time : 3 hours 15 mins.

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## 1. Read the passage below and answer the following questions:

It is always lovely on the Big Half Moon in summer, When it is fine, the harbour is blue and calm, with little wind and ripples, Every summer, we had some hobby. The last summer before Dick and Mimi came, we were crazy about kites, A boy on the mainland showed Claude how to make them. Back on the island we made plenty of kites. Claude would go around to the other side of the island and we would play shipwrecked mariners signalling to each other with kites. We had a kite that was big and covered with lovely red paper. We pasted gold tinsel stars all over it and had written our names full on it-Claude Leete and Philipa Leete, Big Half Moon lighthouse.

One day there was a grand wind for kite-flying. I'm not sure how it happened, but as I was bringing the kite from the house, I tripped and fell over the rocks. My elbow went clear through the kite, making a big hole.

We had to hurry to fix the kite if we wanted to send it up before the wind fell. We rushed into the lighthouse to get some paper. We knew there was no more red paper. We took the first thing that came handy-an old letter lying on the bookcase in the sitting room. We patched the kite up with the letter, a sheet on each side and dried it by the fire. We started out, and up went the kite like a bird. The wind was glorious and it soared. All at once—snap ! And there was Claude, standing with a bit of cord in his hand, looking foolish. Our kite had sailed away over to the mainland.

### A. Choose the correct alternatives to complete the following sentences:

1×5=5

(i) In the mainland the writer learnt \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) kite-selling ; (b) kite-lying ; (c) kite-making;(d) kite-signalling.

(ii) In summer the harbour remains \_\_\_\_\_.

a) overcast; (b) tranquil;(c) noisy ; (d) stormy .

(iii) The kite they made was decorated with \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) their names ; (b) their address ; (c) tinsel stars ; (d) A red paper.

(iv) The old letter was used for repair work because \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) it was of no use ; (b) it was easy to make use of ; (c) reusable ; (d) it fitted well.

(V)The writer was in a hurry to fly the kite because the wind was \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) dying ; (b) helpful;(c) getting wild ; (d) non-existent.

### B. Complete the following sentences with information from the text :

1×3=3

(i) Claude and the narrator hurried to fix the kite because \_\_\_\_\_

(i) The soaring kite is likened to a \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) For playing shipwrecked mariners Claude would go \_\_\_\_\_

### C. Answer the following questions:

2X2=4

1. How did the narrator and her brother mend the kite?

Ans .

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2. What happened to the kite when the bit of cord snapped?

Ans .

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**2. Read the poem and answer the questions below.**

Then she began to cackle and I began to quake.  
She opened up her little bag and I came twice awake  
Surrounded by a staring tribe and me tied to a stake.

They said: 'We are the oak-trees and your own true family.  
We are chopped down, we are torn up, you do not blink an eye.  
Unless you make a promise now-now you are going to die.

Whenever you see an oak-tree felled, swear now you will plant two.  
Unless you swear the black oak bark will wrinkle over you  
And root you among the oaks where you were born but never grew.

**A. Choose the correct alternative to fill in the blanks.**

1×4=4

I. The poem focuses upon

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a) individual protection b) environmental protection c) social protection d) family protection

II. The poet is forced to make a/an

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a) advice b) promise c) suggestion d) description.

III) The word 'knobbly' means \_\_\_\_\_

a) unsteady b) precious c) stout d) strong

IV) According to the oak trees When they are torn up the poet remains \_\_\_\_\_

a) happy b) sorrowful c) indifferent d) delighted

**B. Answer the following questions.**

2×2=4

I) What is suggested by 'twice awake' in the poem ?

Ans .

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II) What does the poet mean by " you were born but never grew"?

Ans .

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## Reading comprehension (unseen)

### 3. Read the passages below and answer the following questions

An Air India Boeing 787 Dreamliner crashed shortly after takeoff from Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport in Ahmedabad on Thursday afternoon, killing 274 people: 241 passengers, 33 on-ground deaths. The aircraft, bound for London, plunged into the Meghani area of the city, sending up a massive plume of black smoke and triggering an immediate emergency response. According to the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), there were 242 people on board the aircraft 230 passengers, 2 pilots, and 10 cabin crew members. The aircraft was under the command of Capt Sumeet Sabharwal, with first officer Clive Kundar.

The flight was heavily fueled for the long-haul journey adding to the intensity of the explosion and fire that followed the crash. The rising death passengers and crew indicated that the remaining 33 victims were likely people present on the BJ Medical College campus in Ahmedabad students, staff, their families, or others from the nearby Meghaninagar area. possibly doctors, Quoting witnesses, news agency PTI reported that the plane had lost altitude soon after take-off and hit buildings inside the residential complex, causing damage. They also said several people living in the quarters near the airport were injured, though there was no official confirmation of this." "The plane was flying very low and it crashed into the residential quarters of doctors of the government-run college," eyewitness Hareh Shah said. Multiple fire engines and ambulances were sent to the crash site to carry out rescue operations.

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) is expected to initiate a formal investigation, along with a possible technical team from Boeing. Officials have yet to release a statement on the suspected cause of the crash. Experts suggest that the heavy fuel load for the international route could have worsened the post-crash fire, Complicating rescue efforts. The Airports Authority of India (AAI) announced the activation of an Operational Control Room at the Ministry of Civil Aviation in New Delhi to coordinate the emergency response. "In light of the recent incident involving Air India Flight AI Operational Control Room has been activated at @MoCA\_Gol (New Delhi) to oversee and coordinate all necessary response measures," AAI said in a post on X. In a major breakthrough, authorities recovered the black box of the flight. The crucial flight data recorder was found on a 'rooftop', likely that of the BJ Medical College hostel building in Ahmedabad's Meghaninagar area. ( Times of India 14th June 2025)

#### A. Choose the correct alternative to complete the following sentences:

**1x6 = 6**

- (i) The Air India flight crashed shortly after \_\_\_\_\_  
a) landing in Ahmedabad b) takeoff from Ahmedabad c) takeoff from Delhi d) landing in London
- (ii) The total number of people boarded the aircraft was \_\_\_\_\_  
a) 242 b) 274 c) 230 d) 241
- iii) The crash took place in \_\_\_\_\_  
a) BJ Medical College classroom b) Meghaninagar area c) Ahmedabad railway station d) Airport runway
- (iv) The co-pilot of the aircraft was \_\_\_\_\_  
a) Hareh Shah b) Clive Kundar c) Sumeet Sabharwal d) BJ Patel
- (v) The organization will lead the crash investigation \_\_\_\_\_  
a) AAI b) DGCA c) MOCA d) Air Traffic Control
- vi) The fact which contributed most to the difficulty of the rescue operations after the crash is \_\_\_\_\_  
a) Delay in ambulance arrival b) Fire due to heavy fuel load c) Poor weather conditions d) Lack of local support

#### B.) State whether the following statements are True or False. Write 'T' for 'True' and 'F' for 'False' statements.

Provide sentences/phrases/words in support of your answer:

**2x3= 6**

- i) The aircraft crashed after successfully reaching a high altitude.

Supporting statement(s): \_\_\_\_\_

- ii) Only passengers on board of the plane were affected.

Supporting statement(s): \_\_\_\_\_

- iii) Immediate rescue operation were launched after the accident.

Supporting statement(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**C) Answer the following questions.**

**2x4=8**

i) How many people died in the Ahmedabad plane crash and who were they?

Ans .

ii) What was the response of AAI and DGCA after the crash?

Ans .

iii) Why did the fire become so intense after the crash?

Ans .

iv) Where was the black box found and why is it important?

Ans .

**Grammar & Vocabulary**

**4. Write the correct alternative to fill in the blanks.**

**1x3=3**

A teenage girl \_\_\_\_\_ (died/was died/dies) and four other friends of hers \_\_\_\_\_ (injured/were injured/injure) by a moving train when they \_\_\_\_\_ (click/had clicked/ were clicking) a grouppic on a railway overbridge near Nagrakata, Jalpaiguri.

**5. Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles and prepositions.**

**1x3=3**

\_\_\_\_\_ English newspaper published \_\_\_\_\_ a reputed business house has started their e-edition. It is going to be popular \_\_\_\_\_ the young generation.

**6. Do as directed.**

**1x3=3**

I) He would have to learn a new geography. (Change the voice )

Ans .

II) "Ow!" says the guest, "The cat struck his claws into me!". ( Indirect speech )

Ans .

III) Swami also felt Samuel had a special regard for him. (Use the Adverb form of 'special')

Ans .

**7. Choose the correct phrasal verbs from the list given below to replace the words underlined.**

**1x3=3**

I) I can not recall what he said.

\_\_\_\_\_

II) My uncle is in search of a job.

\_\_\_\_\_

(III) Do not quarrel with your friends..

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**(List: look for, call up, give up, fall out)**

8. Given below are the meaning of the words which you will find in question number 3 . Find out the words and write it.

2×4=8

I) a tall column of smoke rising in the air \_\_\_\_\_

II) a sudden and extremely violent bursting \_\_\_\_\_

III) a place that is high above sea level \_\_\_\_\_

IV) extremely important, necessary, or decisive \_\_\_\_\_

### Writing Skill

9. Develop the following outlines into a story . Add a title and a moral .

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(Outlines :- A king tried to recover his kingdom from his enemy – but failed – fled into a cave – saw a spider trying to climb – it failed – but it did not give up attempt – the king was encouraged – went back and tried again and again – succeeded.)

10. Write a letter to your friend (within 100 words) advising her/him to visit the public library in her/his locality as frequently as possible.

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**11. Suppose you are the secretary of the Students Welfare Committee of your school. Write a notice (within 120 words) for your school notice board with an appeal to the students to contribute liberally so that you can raise a fund to help the flood victims of North Bengal.**

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