

Chapter: 3.1 to 3.4

Q.1 Language Study

1. Make meaningful sentences with phrases

(2)

- 1) to deter
- 2) a tight corner

2. Write two sensible words using the letters from the given words (having at least 4 alphabets)

(2)

- 1) theological
- 2) fragrance -

3. Spot the error and correct the sentence

(1)

I has some urgent news to convey.

Q.2 Read the following extract carefully and complete the activities given below:

Q.2

The kite - flying begins at dawn and continues without a pause throughout the day. People of all ages gather on terraces or rooftops. Friends, neighbours, even total strangers compete with one another and cries of triumph rend the air when someone cuts the line of a rival !

A wonderful variety of kites is seen and the fussy buyer can choose what he wants. The more serious players prepare special lines for their kites. There is music in the air and traditional delicacies are specially prepared for the day.

Held on the same day, the bigger event, however, is the International Kite Festival, at Ahmedabad. Organised by the Gujarat State Tourism Corporation, it is held either at the Sardar Patel Stadium or the Police Stadium.

This popular festival attracts international kite - flyers, who demonstrate their skills in flying exotic kites and local champions as well. Little Indian paper - kites compete with those from Japan, USA, UK and other countries. Excited spectators watch in awe as marvellous shapes such as eagles and snakes soar into the skies.

One of the highlights of this festival is the Patang or Kite Bazar, in the heart of Ahmedabad, which is open twenty - four hours a day, for a whole week. A visit to this bazar in the middle of the night is enough to prove that the entire city is obsessed with kites. People crowd the streets and buy their stocks, haggling through the night.

Skilled craftsmen demonstrate age - old kite -making skills and how to prepare the special thread used for kite - flying. Mixtures of glue and ground glass cover the lines, which are dried and rolled onto reels known as 'firkees'. These lines are so sharp that, carelessly used, they can cut a finger !

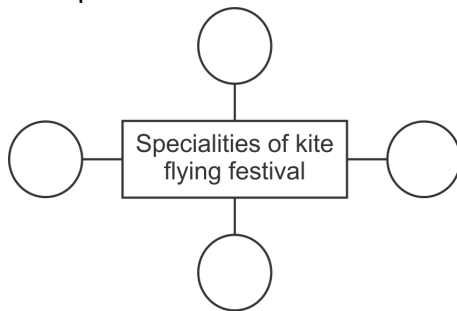
The excitement does not end with nightfall. Now, it is time for illuminated box -

kites, often strung on one line, to be launched into the sky. Called tukals, they add a grand beauty to the dark sky and compete with the brilliance of the stars.

1 A1) ..

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Complete the Web.



A2) ..

2

Answer the following.

How is Kite flying festival celebrated in Gujarat?

A3) ..

2

Write synonyms.

(i) Exotic -

(ii) Soar -

Write antonyms.

(iii) Exotic ×

(iv) Soar ×

A4) ..

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Do as directed.

(i) The kite flying begins at dawn and continues without a pause throughout the day (Rewrite using **not only**..... **but also**)

(ii) Skilled craftsman demonstrate age old Kite making skills (Change the voice).

A5) ..

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Personal Response.

What precautions should be taken while flying Kites?

Q.3 Read the following extract carefully and complete the activities given below:

Q.3

Now by the temple gate
there lay a poor, sore creature, blind, and shunned by all;
but when the peasant came, and saw the sightless face
and trembling, maimed hands he could not pass, but knelt,
and took both palms in his, and softly said: 'O thou,
my brother! bear thy troubles bravely. God is good.'
Then he arose and walked straightway across the court,
and entered where they wrangled of their deeds of love
before the priests.

A while he listened sadly then
had turned away but something moved the priest who held
the plate of gold to **beckon** to the peasant. So
he came, not understanding and obeyed, and stretched
his hand and took the sacred vessel. Lo ! it shone
with thrice its former lustre, and amazed them all!

'Son', cried the priest, 'rejoice, the gift of God is thine.
Thou lovest best!' And all made answers, 'It is well.'
And, one by one, departed. But the peasant knelt
and prayed, bowing his head above the golden plate;
while o'er his soul, like morning, streamed the love of God.

1 A1) ..

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Write whether the statements are True or False.

- (i) The peasant was moved by the sight of poor crippled people.
- (ii) The peasant stopped by a blind beggar.
- (iii) The peasant came as a claimant to the golden plate.
- (iv) The peasant was undeserving to the reward.

A2) ..

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Answer the following.

Do you think, the peasant was the right choice for the award?

A3) ..

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Poetic Device.

Fill in the blanks.

Teacher the child from the last bench.

Q.5 Letter Writting

(5)

Q.5 Write a letter to your elder brother/sister how you can relate yourself to the poet of this poem. **(5)**

OR

Write a letter to the counsellor, asking for an appointment as you want some advice about a vocation you can take up in future.