
CBSE Class 5 Subject English
NCERT Solutions
CHAPTER – 4
MY ELDER BROTHER

1. What are the things that Munna liked to do?

Ans. Munna liked to play marbles, fly kites, play volleyball and kabaddi, drawing pictures of animals and birds.

2. What did Bhaiya do all day?

Ans. Bhaiya read books all the day.

3. Why was Munna not happy with the timetable that Bhaiya made for him?

Ans. Munna was not happy with the timetable that Bhaiya made for him because there was no time to play in it.

4. How do you think Munna felt when his brother was so strict with him? Why was Bhaiya so strict with him?

Ans. Munna became sad and began to cry when his brother was strict with him. Bhaiya was strict with him because it was his duty to care that Munna would not waste his time. He wanted Munna to study hard.

5. Whose character do you like more – Munna's or Bhaiya's? Why?

Ans. I like Bhaiya's character more than Munna's. It appears Bhaiya was a bookworm. Still he did not pass his classes. But in fact, Bhaiya had more qualities than Munna. He felt that Munna was his responsibility. He was strict with Munna because he loved him. He was not good at studies but he had more experience.

6. After the reading the letter, answer the following questions.

(a) Who has written the letter?

Ans. Pratap has written the letter.

(b) To whom has the letter been written?

Ans. The letter has been written to his mother.

(c) Where is the writer of the letter?

Ans. The writer of the letter is Krishna Boy's Hostel in Kolkata.

(d) What is the name of his hostel?

Ans. The name of the hostel is Krishan Boy's Hostel.

(e) On which date was this letter written?

Ans. The letter was written on 10th July 2000.

7. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

Oliver was a nine-year-old boy. He lived with other homeless boys in an orphanage. He was pale and thin as were the other boys living there. This was because they had to work hard but were never given enough to eat. The owner of the orphanage, Mr Bumble, was a cruel man and he ill-treated the boys. The boys were always hungry. It was true that they were given three meals a day but each meal consisted only of a bowl of watery soup. They were almost starving. So it was decided by them to ask the master for more soup. But who would bell the cat? Finally, the task fell to Oliver. When all the boys had assembled in the cold stone hall for their evening meal, the soup was served. It soon disappeared. The boys whispered to one another and one boy pushed Oliver a little. Oliver, making a brave effort, stood up, walked up to the master with his bowl and spoon in his hand, and said tremblingly, "Please sir, I want some more."

(a) Why did Oliver live in the orphanage?

Ans. Oliver lived in the orphanage because he was a homeless boy.

(b) Who was Mr. Bumble?

Ans. Mr. Bumble was the owner of the orphanage.

(c) What meal were the boys given?

Ans. The boys were only given of watery soup.

(d) What did Oliver say to Mr. Bumble?

Ans. Oliver said to Mr. Bumble. "Please Sir, I want some more."

(e) The boys were given three meals a day. Then why were they always hungry?

(i) Because the soup they were given was never enough.

(ii) Because they worked very hard all day long.'

(iii) Because the older boys drank up their soup.

Ans. (i) Because the soup they were given was never enough.

8. Find the words from the passage that mean the same as

(i) very hungry (para 2)

Ans. starving.

(ii) to vanish (para 3)

Ans. disappeared.

9. All the boys assembled in the cold stone hall. Here the word assembled means.

(i) moved away

(ii) collected

(iii) worked together

Ans. (ii) collected.

10. From the word 'assembled remove the last two letters. Add one letter to make a word which means a time at the school when the whole school gathers.

Ans. Assembly.

11. Give a suitable title to the passage.

Ans. Title: Hungry Boy.

12. Complete the following sentences using the correct form of teach or learn.

(a) Will you ____ me chess?

Ans. Teach.

(b) Mr. Sharma ____ class VIII.

Ans. Teaches.

(c) The students have ____ about 'road safety'.

Ans. Learned.

(d) My sister has ____ me how to ride a horse.

Ans. Taught.

(e) I have ____ some of the customs of India.

Ans. Learnt

(f) I ____ how to cycle when I was just four years old.

Ans. Learned.