

22. What meaning does the line-‘For once, from wearing his helmet he did refrain’ convey? Was it Vicky’s habit to wear his helmet while riding his bike ?
23. How did the accident affect Vicky and his family ?
24. What message does the poet have for the young generation through this poem ?
25. Can you say why such dreadful accidents occur on road and cause death every moment?
26. Suggest some ways to reduce Road Traffic Injuries (RTI)?

G. Let’s appreciate the Poem :

1. Who donated Vicky’s brain to the Medical College? How is it preserved and used?
2. What does the line ‘On display to promote knowledge gain’ express?
3. What is called a specimen? Why is the brain preserved as a specimen?
4. How was the brilliant brain a part of a living human two years ago?
5. What does the phrase-‘Yet ended up in this jar’ mean to you?
6. Which expression suggests that Vicky was hard working?
7. Why does the poet say, “Only I could explain”?
8. Should we consider such demise ‘by chance or by choice’?
9. The poet uses flashback, which is often used to recount events that had happened before the story started. Which stanzas talk about the past events and which ones the present incident?
10. Find the rhyming words in the poem.
11. Why does the poet use capital letters for the first two words in the last line of the poem?
15. You read and understood the poem. Do you like the title of the poem? Why/Why not? Can you suggest another title for the poem?

H. Let's listen and speak :

(a) Listen to the following sentences about the poem (Your teacher reads the sentences aloud.) and say whether they are right or wrong. Then correct the sentences in case you find them wrong.

- i. Vicky's brain was sitting in the formalin jar with pleasure and respect.
- ii. The brain didn't like the people staring at him.
- iii. The brain felt insulted to be a specimen for others.
- iv. Vicky was a strong and stout young man.
- v. He was good at math and computer
- vi. He believed in taking pain to succeed in life.
- vii. He liked neither his grandmother nor her wrinkles and stick.
- viii. All his friends in the college disliked him.
- ix. He rode to his friend on a monsoon day for an important work.
- x. His friend's house was very far from his place.
- xi. He usually liked to wear helmet.
- xii. He was killed in a serious accident.
- xiii. He was clever, handsome and careful.

(b) Pronounce the following words correctly.

disdain, gain, again, human, sane, rain, insane, cane, explain, mundane, refrain, inhumane, pain, bane, in vain

(c) Imagine that Vicky's friend, Akash visited the Medical College, where Vicky's brain was preserved in a formalin jar. Given below is a dialogue between Vicky's brain and his friend, Akash. Practise the dialogue.

Brain : Hi, Friend! How're you?

Akash : Good. Who's speaking?

Brain : I'm Vicky's brain!

Akash : Where you're?

Brain : In the formalin jar!

Akash : Who put you here?

Brain : The doctor.

Akash : What for?

Brain : For display! Students will gain knowledge.

Akash : How did the doctor find you?

Brain : Listen, Vicky was a young college boy. He was strong, stout, careful and brilliant. One monsoon day he was riding without wearing the helmet to his friend who lived the next lane. On the way he was killed in an accident. The doctor parted me from his body and put here for his students to gain knowledge.

Akash : How sad !

Brain : Dear Friend, Vicky was a brilliant boy, but on that fateful day he took it casually to wear his helmet as he was to ride to his friend who was staying the next lane. For his carelessness a precious life was lost. So please be careful and always **DRIVE SAFE** on road. Don't lose your life and put your family in sorrows and sufferings.

Akash : Thank you Friend for your advice. I'm very sorry for Vicky, my fast friend, bye, see you!

I. Let's read and write :

- (a) Given below is a table showing a chart of penalties for the road offences. Read the table and write a sentence for each.

One is done for you.

Sl No	Offence	Penalty (Rs) (Minimum Amount)
1	General	500
2	Rules of road regulation violation	500
3	Travelling without ticket	500
4	Unauthorised use without licence	5000
5	Driving without licence	5000
6	Disobedience of orders of authorities	2000
7	Drink and Drive	10,000
8	Speeding or Racing	5000
9	Vehicle without permit	10,000
10	Driving without qualification	10,000
11	Without Seat belt	1000
12	Without helmet	1000
13	Oversized vehicles	5000
14	Not providing way for emergency vehicle	10,000
15	Over speeding	1000/2000
16	Driving without insurance	2000
17	Dangerous driving penalty	5000
18	Offences by juveniles	25,000
19	Overloading of passengers	1000/1passenger
20	Overloading of two wheelers	2000

Example :

1. As per the Motor Vehicle Act, if you ride a bike without licence, you will have to pay a fine of Rs1000/.

- (b) Read the traffic symbols and write one sentence for each. The first one is done for you.

				
Right Hand Curve	Left Hand Curve	Right Hair Pin Bend	Left Hair Pin Bend	Right Reverse Bend
				
Left Reverse Bend	Steep Ascent	Steep Descent	Narrow Road Ahead	Road Wideness Ahead
				
Narrow	Slippery	Loose Gravel	Cycle Crossing	Pedestrian

					
Stop	Give Way	One Way	No Entry	One Way	One Way Both Direction
					
Right Turn Prohibited	Left Turn Prohibited	One Way	U-Turn Prohibited	Over Taking Prohibited	Horns Prohibited
					
Speed Limit	Compulsory Turn Left	Compulsory Ahead Only	Compulsory Turn Right Ahead	Compulsory Ahead Or Turn Right	Compulsory Ahead Or Turn Left
					
		Compulsory Keep Left	Compulsory Sound Horn		

Example:

1. The first symbol indicates that there is a right hand curve ahead.

- (c) Imagine that you are a reporter of 'The Times of India' in Bhubaneswar. Write a report basing on the incident/contents of the poem 'From the Formalin Jar' for the newspaper. Suggest some ways to check road accidents, and advise young children to be careful about the traffic rules.
- (d) Work in groups of four and prepare placards / posters on ROAD SAFETY. Display them near school notice board. (Your teacher will guide you.)



School's Goodbye

Lord Eustace Percy

A. Lead – in :

This is your final year in school. You will say goodbye to your school soon after your test examination is over, won't you ? Your last day at school will be a sorrowful one as you are going to leave it for good. You won't be able to enjoy life at your school ever again. You feel emotionally attached to your school. When you say goodbye to it, it is like saying goodbye to your own family. But your education does not end here. You move out from school to the wider world to prepare yourself for facing the challenges in life. Read the lesson to learn how to face the reality of life.

B. The Text :

You are now about to leave school and before you go we desire to send you our best wishes for your future **welfare**.

Although you are **parting from** school in which you have spent so many years, we hope you will not forget it and think that your education is finished. In whatever trade or profession you desire to follow, you will soon find that, if you are **ambitious to succeed** in it, you must continue your education.

Success in life is not easily **secured**; it only comes to those who work hard and continue learning.

Very soon you will require to choose a trade or profession. Choose with the greatest care and avoid **as far as** you can any occupation that leads nowhere. Aim rather at work that has in it the promise of an interesting and happy future ; and if at first you are forced to take a job that can only last for a short time, try to get one, as soon as possible, that is to your liking. If at any time you are in doubt **as to** the choice you should make, do not hesitate to ask advice from one of your teachers.

Success in life depends largely on good health. Keep your body fit, and by cleanliness, fresh air, regular habits, and suitable **recreations**, make yourself strong to play the game, and to do it in every sense of the word. Avoid anything that will **sap** your health. Smoking in your youth **stunts** the body, and **clouds** the brain. Be temperate in all things, and **beware of** drink. It is the deadly enemy of health and efficiency.

Above all remember that your character is a priceless possession. Keep it therefore **untarnished**. Be truthful in all things, **considerate** to everybody, fair to your rivals, kind and helpful to all who are weak and suffering, and do not be afraid to have courage to stand up for what is good, pure and noble. Avoid gambling in every form; it is a mean game trying to get something for nothing and at somebody's cost.

Make provision for hard times.

In your leisure hours, avoid mere idling. Fill such hours with interesting hobbies, good books, and with companionships and associations calculated to exercise over you an influence for good. To a large extent, you will be known by the company you keep.

With a sound mind in a sound body, a good character, courteous manners, and loyalty to the duties of your nation and its high ideals, you will, by God's grace, be a credit to your family, a good citizen, and in your whole life, a real success.

C. About the Author :

The essay "School's Goodbye" conveys a message to school children by Lord Eustace Percy, a former Minister of Education in Britain. You will benefit from reading it as it tells students how to become good human beings and citizens in future.

D. Notes and glossary :

welfare	:-	the health and happiness of people.
part from	:-	to leave someone
ambitious	:-	actively seeking success, wealth, status etc.
succeed	:-	to achieve a desired aim
secure	:-	to obtain something
as far as	:-	to the extent that