

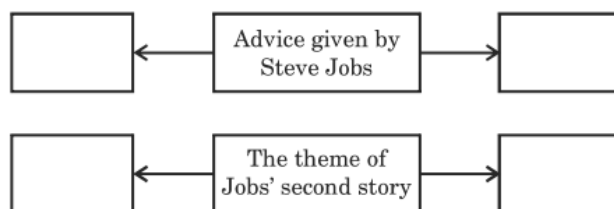
Q1: Read the Passage and complete the Activities

My second story is about love and loss. I found what I loved to do early in life. Woz (Steve Wozniak) and I started Apple when I was 20. In 10 years Apple had grown from just the two of us in a garage into a \$2 billion company. And then I got fired. It was devastating. But something slowly began to dawn on me – I still loved what I did. And so I decided to start over. The heaviness of being successful was replaced by the lightness of being a beginner again. It freed me to enter one of the most creative periods of my life. During the next five years, I started a company Next, another company named Pixar, and I fell in love with an amazing woman who would become my wife. Pixar is now the world's most successful animation studio, Apple bought Next. I returned to Apple and the technology we developed at Next is at the heart of Apple's current renaissance. And Laurence and I have a wonderful family together. Sometimes life hits you in the head with a brick. Don't lose faith. The only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle.

A1. Name the following with reference to the passage :

Activity	Name
(i) The company started by the narrator and Woz.
(ii) The second company started by the narrator.
(iii) An amazing woman the narrator fell in love with
(iv) World's most successful animation studio.

A2. Complete the following web diagram :



A3. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct phrases in their proper form from the bracket:

(to get fired, devastating, begin to dawn on)

- (i) On committing persistent mistakes, the employee was about from his post.
- (ii) When the teacher explained the solution of the problems in Maths, it the students that the problems were easy.

A4. Do as directed:

- (i) Identify the tense of the underlined verb:

If you haven't found yet, keep looking.

- (ii) I found what I loved to do early in life.

(Identify the main and subordinate clause.)

A5. 'Failure is the key to success.' Explain in your own words.

Do as directed

- (1) **Pick out the infinitive from the following sentence:**
Every child is free to grow.
- (2) **Write the collocations for the following:**
ticket
..... drizzle.
- (3) **Punctuate the following sentence:**
dr kalam sat contemplating deeply
- (4) **Write any *two* present participles in which the last letter is doubled.**
- (5) **Find out any two hidden words of minimum four letters from the given word:**
reverberated.

Do as directed

- (1) **Identify the verb in the given sentence and state whether it's finite or non-finite :**
He gave the reward to none.
- (2) **Make two meaningful sentences to bring out the difference between the given two homophones:**
ware, wear
- (3) **Rewrite the sentence using 'as soon as':**
No sooner is the bill passed than it will become an act.
- (4) **Use the given two words into one meaningful sentence:**
Rest; routine

Do as directed :

- (i) "I've always wanted to hear him and see him," he said.

(Change into indirect speech).

- (ii) His mother sprang to his side.

(Add a question tag).

Letter writing:

Imagine you are Soham/Sohini Dargan residing at 208, Swarnadham, Hira Colony, Mumbai-400052.

Read the following snippet and write a letter based on it:

Sports and games are activities which make a person more capable with high level efficiency. It removes the mental exhaustion and makes us capable to do any hard work. It improves blood circulation all through the body, thus improves the physical and mental well being of the person.

A1. Formal Letter

Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper to create awareness about the role of sports in a student's life.

OR

A2. Informal Letter

Write a letter to your friend Neha/Nishant describing the advantages of sports and games.

Reading Practice

Kerala is the land of magic, ayurvedic massages and Kathakali. Most visitors generally begin their sojourn in this lovely state with Kochi. This city reflects the eclecticism of Kerala. Here, you can see the oldest European built church in India, a small 16th Century synagogue that serves a proportionate community of Jews, a palace built by the Portuguese, given to the Raja of Cochin and renovated by the Dutch and some world-class performances of the Kathakali dance drama. Make sure you take a boat trip on the Malabar Coast. It will take you out to the Dutch town and fort, an area that also has some surprisingly good book shops.

Alternatively, you could start with Thiruvananthapuram, which also has a laid back charm of its own. Here, you can visit the Padmanabhaswamy temple, the Napier museum, the Puttan Mallika Palace and the neighbouring beaches. These include Kovalam, now a pleasant spot to spend an evening.

The backwaters are also famous as a holiday option. For that, you have to move on to Alleppey or Allappuzha a district made unique by an intricate network of canals. Or you could head to Munnar, sheer beauty in the hills. Rolling oceans of tubby green tea bushes, crisp mountain air, craggy hills, wildlife and a throwback to colonial times makes Munnar a lovely getaway Or you could visit Thekkady, which is also a charming town and has an added advantage of being close to the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary. At Thekkady you can wander through plantations of cardamom, tea and coffee.

Of the three options, you can surely choose a place of your dreams where you can chill out !

You can take a meandering cruise down the backwaters, spend a lazy day by the sea, take a trek up the winding hills or enjoy ayurvedic health holidays. These are some of the advantages no other destination offers.

Welcome to this unique land of spellbinding adventures. It's the most refreshing holiday you could ever have.