

# **HSIR11 – ENGLISH FOR COMMUNICATION**

## **WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT**

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**Topic: The Knowledge And Skills I Aspire To Acquire After Reading The Book Mentioned Above.**

In the last few months, my life has changed drastically. Right from my daily routine to food habits, wearing masks as part of my dressing code, and staying all time inside the house conversing only with family members. Considering how much socializing and traveling I was before, its a colossal upheaval. Initially, I found it hard to adapt and struggled to use the golden time that I had effectively. Still, probably the only good that happened to me at this time is the interest that I developed on coding, thanks to the induction process started by the coding club of my college, Delta.

I was never good at coding before. I never studied computer science or coding before my 11<sup>th</sup> grade, similar to the seagull's limitations to fly. The pressure of coaching suppressed me and limited me to concentrate only on the entrance exams, whereas the other fellow birds who didn't have any limitations and had ample knowledge on coding flew high on the air. During my 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade, I felt like I was left alone as teachers didn't start with basics and directly dived into the topics. I eventually got low marks in computer science, and to be honest, I was the bottom scorer of my class all the time. Because of all these, I started to hate the subject and sat on classes just for the sake of it. People around me who knew to code well didn't even bother to help me, but actually, they mocked me of

not knowing even the basics of coding, including my teachers some time. All these made me feel inferior before others, and due to this, I was not able to concentrate properly even on the subjects that I was good at, like maths, physics, and chemistry. So my preparation was not up to the mark, my ranks came down, and eventually, I landed in NITT not been able to accomplish my dream of getting into IIT. All the birds around me flew high, getting into top IITs across India. On that day, I decided that for me to fly higher than those birds, I have to be excellent in coding.

I started coding the very day I stepped into my college, based on the advises that I got from many seniors that I met, similar to how the seagull learned to fly from those who were already good at that, They were helpful to the fullest, I learned how to approach every aspect of coding. I started to fly at average speed and medium heights, as the seagull. During this lockdown period, with the help of the induction process, I learned a lot in coding, and it has now given a new dimension to my career.

After reading the book, I fell how much my life is similar to that of the seagull and drawing inspiration from the bird, which flew at the speed of 90miles and hour and reached the altitude of 10000ft. I now understand the importance of the peer group, who have the same interest to fly high, coding in my case. So my aim to get into Delta club has been ignited even more. To scale myself to new heights, I also wish to do a remote internship after this semester in a software company so that I can get to know the operations of an organization and the challenges that come along with it. I made myself equipped for that by making my resume, letters, and learning how to approach interviews, thanks to the TCS ION course. For myself to fly at the highest altitude and speed, I want to be master in coding, so for that, I am aspiring to learn new languages and frameworks like node.js, react.js, Bootstrap, MongoDB, etc. I am also aiming to take up some projects online and try to get my hands on so that I can learn how to work and code collaboratively with others. I also want to make sure that in the greed of flying too high, I should

not fall pathetically, so I also aspire to have a good hold on my academics and CGPA as it would have a significant effect in my future. To that, I want to make sure I get excellent grades this semester as that the cumulative is good enough for me to get internships and scholarships in my 2<sup>nd</sup> year.

With the time that I had during this lockdown, I am very much happy and satisfied that I have started to fly like the seagull but even though I am not sure at what speed and altitude I am right now, After reading the book I soon got the wisdom to try and be the best in anything that I do, and make sure to reach new heights without being satisfied with what I have now. So I have set myself goals and targets to achieve, and I am sure that I will work hard and give my very best to stretch my limits and make high altitudes.

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( Thank you very much for making me read a book like this sir, it has added a lot of meaning to my goals and learned how to remain focused without getting influenced by people around us. I am sure that this book has enlightened me that it would help me a lot in the future, again thanks a lot sir; )