

# HOLIDAYS HOMEWORK

DEAR STUDENTS do enjoy your vacation with your family and friends but keep your focus intact to the work assigned to you.

Five speeches are there in your syllabus, please do get the print of those and write those speeches in the form of editorial letters. Questions and format for the same are given below.

Q-1 Suppose you are Ashok/Akshita, write a letter to the editor of daily newspaper expressing your opinion on the topic simple living and high thinking, which is actually contrary these days living is very high but thinking is very low.

Q-2 Your good deeds are the reflection of the person you are. Suppose you are Radhika/Rohan, write a letter to the editor of daily newspaper expressing your views on deteriorating characters of people these days.

Q-3 Strong determination and daring attitude is needed to gain success. Write a letter to the editor of daily newspaper expressing the need of strong determination and daring attitude to gain success in life especially if both the qualities are present in our students from early age and they work in right direction.

Q-4 Education has immense value these days. One cannot think about his future without education. But, does value education has the same importance? Express your views by writing a letter to the editor of daily newspaper.

Q-5 Suppose you are Nitin/Nitika. Write a letter to the editor of daily newspaper expressing your concern about the impact of media on today's generation.

Q-6 Suppose you are Niharika/Rohit. Write a letter to the editor of daily newspaper expressing your concern about the problem of generation gap.

FORMAT

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City

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The \_\_\_\_\_

The \_\_\_\_\_

Chandigarh

Sir/ \_\_\_\_\_

Through the column \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to \_\_\_\_\_ on the topic \_\_\_\_\_.

Problem (intro)

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Causes1. \_\_\_\_\_

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Effects1. \_\_\_\_\_

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Solution1. \_\_\_\_\_

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Yours \_\_\_\_\_

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# PRONUNCIATION

The teacher will be sending a recording of those words which are really tricky to pronounce, on snaphw. Don't forget to check.

**POLICE DAV PUBLIC SCHOOL, LUDHIANA**  
**HOLIDAYS HOMEWORK, JUNE 2019**  
**SUBJECT-ENGLISH**  
**SPEECH-1**

**Good Deeds Reflect Good Character**

**“Watch your thoughts- they become your words,  
Watch your words-they become your actions,  
Watch your actions-they become your habits,  
Watch your habits-they become your character,  
Watch your character- it becomes your destiny.”**

Good morning to all, I, Ananya of VIII A, have got a golden opportunity to speak on the topic “Good deeds reflect good character.” A person of good character is an ideal for everybody. Whatever a person does is reflected in his character. The above quote perfectly exemplifies this fact. A person’s character is revealed only through his actions. Appearances can be deceptive but a person cannot pretend for his entire life. One must be original, polite and well mannered at every stage of life. A person of good characters will do good deeds, not only in the presence of others, but also when he is alone.

Abraham Lincoln has rightly said, “Your character is what you are when you are alone.”

All children are good when they are born but because of their habits some become great and some become a disgrace.

“We must all understand that we live in deeds not in years.”

Our deeds reflect our character. It is very important that we develop good character to be remembered forever. Good deeds surely one’s character as they show smart and humble one is in one’s personality.

Good deeds may be done by anyone in any walk of life- by the women in the house, men in the office, boy at the school, soldier at the border. The actual performance of good deeds adds to the happiness of both doer and receiver. The memory of good deeds excites love and gratitude, renews man’s belief in his kind and inspires others to do likewise. One’s attitude towards others and kind ways reflect one’s personality and character.

Gandhiji said, "if money is lost nothing is lost, if health is lost something is lost, if character is lost everything is lost."

So, we can say that our deeds are what we are. It is important to do something good in life. If one ignores his deeds, he is failure. One is only remembered for his deeds and not his riches. If our deeds are good people remember us fondly but our bad deeds inspire only disgust in the hearts of people. So always remember to do good to others at all times and in all ways we can.

Thank you and have a glorious day ahead.

## SPEECH-2

### MEDIA-IMPACT ON TEENAGERS

**“The media is the most powerful entity on earth. They have the power to make the innocent guilty and the guilty innocent and that is the power because they control the mind of the masses.”**

Good morning to all. Today I Ankit of class VIII-D have got a golden opportunity to speak on the topic ‘ Media’- Impact on Teenagers.

Friends, the impact of media on psychological development of teenagers is profound. Media has taken centre stage in influencing the behaviour of teenagers. Most teenagers spend hours watching television, playing video games and socializing on the internet on social networking sites. Studies have shown that certain groups of teenagers are prone to act violently because of media influence. Watching too much television diverts attention from school work and homework. The effects of media on teenagers are far reaching. It almost controls the mind of teenagers like giant remote control. While it has its share of advantages, parents still need to approach the beast with caution. Now a days, media is a part of our life especially for teenagers like there are different types of mass media that have become a part of routine life of teenagers- computers, television, mobile phones and music players. Media is a double edged sword and hence there are both, positive and negative effects of media.

Teenagers with good moral background can take information from media to enrich their life. But if the youth has bad moral background media will destroy their lives. Though media’s role is to inform, educate and entertain, yet it has corrupts and exploits, contributing to the moral degradation of society.

Dear friends I would like to conclude saying that media can be used as weapon or a stepping stone depending on how one views it.

Thank you and have a wonderful day.

## **SPEECH-3**

### **The Importance of Value Education**

**‘An educated man without morals is no better than a crook’**

Good morning friends. Today, I, Rohit Bhalla of class VIII-C, stand before you to speak on the topic,

‘The importance of value education’

Everyone knows that life is precious- that life is important. We all protect our life because we care for it more than anything else. If life is so important, the values of life are even more important. Values are guiding principles or standards of behaviour which are regarded desirable, important and held in high esteem by the particular society in which a person lives. They guide our interactions with others— friends, family and society. Our values and morals are a reflection of our spirituality and our character.

Friends, value education means inculcating in the children a sense of humanism, a deep concern for the well-being of others and the nation.

A person with proper values will not be afraid to face problems.

Problems will be accepted as part of life. The person will have complete faith in God. Such a person will have a strong character and will be an example to the rest. Moral values will help us to lead our life as it should be lead and make this world a better place to live in.

Values shape our relationships, our behaviour, our choice and our sense of who we are. The more positive our values, the more positive our actions. This is one of the reasons why value education is being taught or included in all types of education. Values develop a person’s personality in a holistic manner.

Value education harmonizes the need for the student to achieve in a competitive world and the need to be compassionate. Education tries to develop three aspects—physique, mentality and character. The development of physique and mentality is useless without the development of character and this is where moral education plays a great role.

Dear friends, we are witnessing tremendous value crisis throughout the world today. People do not care about moral values as long as they are able to achieve their motives. The reappearance of qualities of selfishness and clashes give clear indication of the moral degeneration of human society. Problems like terrorism and poverty have made it necessary to inculcate moral values in curriculum. There is an urgent need for a great effort to revive and reform the values of human life and to rejuvenate (rebuild) the foundation of civilization. Thus moral education is an effective weapon to combat the problems in society. Thank you and have a nice day.



## **SPEECH-4**

### **SUCCESS COMES TO THOSE WHO WILL AND DARE**

**“Successful people are ordinary people, who are extraordinary things.”**

Good morning to all. Today, I, Priyanka of class VIII-B, have got a golden opportunity to speak on the topic,

Success comes to those who will and dare.

It is true that everyone wants to be successful in life but while dreaming success one should not forget the battle which is necessary for victory. Life is not a bed of roses, with roses, thorns are always there. Moreover, everyone is not born with a silver spoon. Only those people succeed in life who believes in hard work as their success mantra. Success has a simple formula that is combination of efforts and determination. The great achievers of the worlds have achieved great success by the sheer force of their will.

**“Successful people don’t do different things, they do things differently”.**

The daring attitude of Columbus enabled him to reach America and Tenzing and Hillary to scale the heights of Mount Everest. It was determination and hard work that enable a poor kid, DR. APJ Abdul Kalam to become the President of India. It was persistence and tenacity that made Sudha Chandran, who was lame, a world renowned dancer and Kalpna CHawla to be the first Indian woman astronaut who visited space.

Dear friends, the real essence of life lies in struggle. Wise men accept the challenges of life with calm mind. A patient with strong determination can get cured quicker as compared to one with a weak will.

Successful people face many obstacles in their way but finally leave their mark in the respective field. There is no denying fact, success comes to those who will and dare.

THANK YOU AND HAVE A NICE DAY.

## **SPEECH-5**

### **TRADITION AGAINST MODERNITY/ GENERATION GAP**

“You don’t really need modernity in order to exist totally or fully. You need a mixture of tradition and modernity.”

Good morning to all present. Today, I, Navya of class- VIII-C have a golden opportunity to speak on the topic tradition against modernity.

Every age witnesses a struggle between tradition and modernity. Every new generation regards tradition as obsolete. Moreover, the rate at which technology is developing has made the modern man technique. Therefore tradition is considered unnecessary to the needs and ideals of the modern times. On the other hand, the older generation criticizes and condemns modernity.

From tradition to modernity, the society undergoes a radical change- change in dressing style, lifestyle, culture, rituals and thoughts processes. These changes affect the individual and his social life.

In the course of life, slow but steady changes take place. Human relationships undergo considerable changes. In the past, people had respect for their elders, children used to treat their parents and teachers next to God. But, now a day, relationships are based on selfish grounds. They are cultivated and developed with the sole purpose of taking advantage of the other. Moral values have vanished.

In olden times, youngsters believed in decent clothing but today’s generation is running a mad race of fashion. Earlier, home cooked food was considered nutritious and healthy but, now a day fast food is the latest craze. Means of transport and communication were not well-developed earlier, but these days mobiles have become indispensable part of our life. Especially while driving usage of mobile is a common scenario.

Moreover, tradition and modernity cannot survive individually. Tradition is the foundation of the future progress. Tradition must incorporate in the changing times and modernity should not leave out tradition. Both are two sides of the same coin and both should go hand in hand to achieve a balanced society.

Thank you and have a nice day.

## **SPEECH-6**

### **SIMPLE LIVING HIGH THINKING**

Good morning to all present. Today, I, Manisha Sharma of class- VIII B have got a golden opportunity to speak on the topic "Simple living high thinking."

What is the source of happiness? Is it money? Or is it power, name, fame?

Nothing appears to be true as most of the famous and wealthiest people are no happier than ordinary man.

Great men of the world have preached that simple living high thinking should be the golden principle of life. Most of the men in history have practiced this principle achieved greatness. All the saints like Mahatma Gandhi, Guru Nanak Dev and Buddha, who attained spiritual greatness and shocked the world by their intellectual thinking, followed this principle.

"Simplicity has its own sophistication"

Simple living means wearing ordinary clothes, having ordinary meals and using a small place to live in, even though when one could afford much more than that. Generally it is restricting oneself to the basic necessities of life. A simple lifestyle helps in attaining peace of mind and relaxation, for from the chains of materialistic pleasures of modern life.

High thinking means to think about the well beings of others. It involves thinking of society, nation and humanity with a view to improve it. It is having great ideals and following them too. It is only with high thinking that we realize our destiny in the best possible way. It also helps to rise above petty issues and mundane matters that hamper our thoughts and beliefs.

Osho has rightly said, "Most people try to become clever everyday whereas I attempt to become simpler every day.

This way of life helps in the spiritual growth of one's own self. We become more concerned about the happiness of other rather than our own selfish satisfaction.

On walking this path, we realize that god does not want us to work for ourselves. He wanted all of us to work for the betterment of the society . . .

However, in view of anxieties and worries of present generation, simple living and high thinking is a very good choice.

Thank you and have a nice day.