

Class X Session 2023-24
Subject - English (Lan & Lit)
Sample Question Paper – 4

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 80

General Instructions:

1. The question paper contains three sections - Reading, Writing & Grammar and Literature.
2. Attempt questions based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION – A
READING SKILLS (20 MARKS)

1. Read the following text.

(10)

(1) Listening is the ability to accurately receive and interpret messages in the communication process. One of the greatest gifts any of us can ever receive is the gift of listening. It is also one of the greatest gifts we can ever give. Unfortunately, it appears to be a lost art. We live in a world where everyone is talking but few are listening. What often passes for listening is simply one person pausing to collect their thoughts for their next soliloquy.

(2) Hearing refers to the sounds that you hear, whereas listening requires more than that: it requires focus. Listening means paying attention not only to the story, but how it is told, the use of language and voice, and how the other person uses his or her body. In other words, it means being aware of both verbal and non-verbal messages. Your ability to listen effectively depends on the degree to which you perceive and understand these messages.

(3) Listening is a difficult task. Like every skill, the more you do it, the better you get. Listening can be developed through practice, or lost if not used regularly. Good listeners focus on what they are hearing. They pause to think about what they've heard before responding. They ask questions because they want to know the answers, not just to keep the conversation going.

(4) So often, we are distracted with other things. We try to listen while continuing to work on the computer or watch television. To be fully present means we eliminate these distractions and focus exclusively on the other person. It takes great effort to be fully in the moment, leaning



forward, with your ears and heart open. Words are only part of the communication. Sometimes we need to experience the other person's feelings to really understand. We need to listen with our heart as well as our mind. We must repeat back what the other person has said. When we do this-and do it accurately-we communicate what we understand. It also gives us an opportunity to recalibrate our understanding if we have misunderstood something. Plenty of people are good talkers. Few are good listeners. If you develop the latter skill, you will find yourself invited into amazing conversations that wouldn't otherwise happen.

Answer the following questions, based on the passage.

i. Based on your understanding of the passage, what, according to the author, can be described as "lost art"? Answer in about 40 words. (2)

ii. Complete the sentence appropriately.

The author is disappointed that pausing to collect their thoughts is often considered as _____ (1)

iii. Why does the author consider listening more than just hearing? Rationalise your response in about 40 words. (2)

iv. From the sets (1)-(5) below, identify two sets of words that are opposite in meaning to each other. (1)

1. Amazing – Incredible
2. Perceive – Overlook
3. Experience – Wisdom
4. Exclusively – Partially
5. Interpret – Clarify

- A. 1 and 3
- B. 3 and 4
- C. 2 and 4
- D. 1 and 5

V. Complete the sentence appropriately. (1)

Our ability to listen effectively depends on the _____.

vi. "To be fully present" in a conversation means _____. (1)

- A. to constantly ask questions



B. to clear distractions and give our full attention

C. to distract the speaker

D. to change the topic of conversation

vii. To repeat back what the other person has said gives us _____. (1)

A. a chance to counter the speaker's claim

B. a way to intimidate the speaker

C. a way to distract ourselves from a topic

D. a chance to recalibrate our understanding if we have misunderstood something

viii. Which of these statements is false? (1)

A. Good listeners focus on what they are hearing.

B. Listening is a skill that needs practice.

C. We don't need to experience the other person's feelings to really understand.

D. Listening is one of the greatest gifts one can ever give to someone.

2. Read the following text. (10)

(1) Research from the Publishers Association has shown that films based on books take 44% more at the box office revenue in the UK and 53% more worldwide than original screenplays. The report explores what impact a book has when adapted for film and TV.

(2) The report reads: "Published material is the basis of 52% of top UK films in the last 10 years, and accounts for an even higher share of revenue from these leading performers, at 61% of UK box office gross and 65% of worldwide gross." The Hollywood adaptation of "My Cousin Rachel" was shown to have a significant impact on the sales of the Daphne Du Maurier thriller. The sales of the book in 2017 alone accounted for 23% of all sales since 1992.

(3) The research suggests that adapted films tend to perform better, because films can "leverage the popularity" of well-known books through an existing audience. Films adapted from books also tend to have a richer, more fully-developed story to draw on. In terms of TV adaptation, it was revealed that a quarter of dramas were based on literary sources and attracted a 56% larger share of the audience than those based on original scripts. Fourteen of the 35 high end series produced in the UK in the period between January and September 2017 were based on books, compared to seven based on true stories or historical events and five based on pre-existing films or TV stories.



(4) In the case of the 2016 BBC broadcast of "The Night Manager", research revealed that while the novel was in circulation for over 25 years, 82% of the copies it sold were in 2016 and 2017. Sales of the paperback edition remained strong in 2017 even after the series went off air.

(5) In conclusion, the report states that "there is a strong two-way relationship between publishing and the wider creative economy, wherein a successful adaptation often has spill-over effects and gives a substantial boost to the sales of the original book."

Answer the following questions, based on the passage.

i. Complete the following sentence appropriately, based on your understanding of the passage.
(1)

The purpose of the research by Publishers Association was to study the _____.

ii. Select the option that is true for the two statements given below. (1)

(1) The revenues generated at the box office have increased.

(2) Majority of the top films in the UK are based on published material.

A. (1) is the result of (2).

B. (1) is the reason for (2).

C. (1) is independent of (2).

D. (1) contradicts (2).

iii. Select the option that gives the correct meaning of the following statement.

"The sales of the book in 2017 alone accounted for 23% of all sales since 1992?"

A. There were 23% higher sales in 2017 than previous years.

B. A major chunk of sales happened in 2017.

C. The sales were limited to 23% in 2017.

D. There were very few books sold in the previous years.

iv. According to the research, the films based on books have greater success because _____.

A. people like to see the characters from the books on screen

B. the films get the advantage of the fame of the books

C. it takes less effort for people to watch films than read books



D. the films get a ready-made script from the books

v. Select the option listing what the given sentence refers to. (1)

'Films adapted from books also tend to have a richer, more fully-developed story to draw on.

(1) The plot and the storyline of such films are better.

(2) The characters are likely to be more vivid.

(3) The production of such films is meant for the rich and famous.

(4) The settings and costumes are adapted from the book.

(5) The making of such films require the author to write a sequel.

A. (1), (3) and (4)

B. (2), (3) and (5)

C. (1), (2) and (5)

D. (1), (2) and (4)

vi. Complete the sentence appropriately.

The maximum TV serials in the UK in 2017, were based on _____.

vii. Justify the following, in about 40 words.

Based on the research, how do the adaptations of books into films and TV dramas increase the sales of the books?

viii. "There is a two-way relationship between books and the screen". Why? Justify your answer in about 40 words.

SECTION-B

WRITING SKILLS AND GRAMMAR (20 MARKS)

GRAMMAR

(10)

3. Complete ANY TEN of twelve of the following tasks, as directed. (1 × 10)

i. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option to complete the given sentence.

Under the law of universal adult franchise, _____ (every/few/some) individual has the right to vote if they are 18 years of age or older, irrespective of their cast, race, gender, religion, etc.



ii. Puneet and his father had a conversation about last night's cricket match. Report Puneet's question. (1)

Which team did you support between the two?

iii. Identify the error and supply its correction for the given sentence. (1)

Being with her give one a new kind of energy.

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iv. Choose the correct option to complete the dialogue. (1)

Anita: Hey Shree. Are you free this evening?

Shree: Yes, "_____"

Anita: Oh, that's great! Let's go shopping

- A. I am busy this evening
- B. I have no plans for the evening
- C. I have a date for the evening
- D. Sorry, I have an appointment

v. Complete the following sentence. (1)

She has read several books and now _____ to write an article on different types of writing.

- A. had plan
- B. plan
- C. is planning
- D. was planned

vi. Change the given dialogue in indirect speech. (1)

James: Did you have any difficulty on the way?

Robert: No, I did not!

James asked Robert if _____ on the way.

vii. Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb. (1)

She _____ (play) the piano when I saw her for the first time.

viii. Select the option that identifies the error and supply its correction. (1)

Vipul was unhappy because he would not attend the marriage.

Option No.	Error	Correction
A.	would	could
B.	because	but
C.	attend	attended
D.	the	a

Ix. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option. (1)

If you want to learn to speak English fluently, you _____ work hard.

- A. would B. might
C. should D. could

x. Identify the error in the given sentence and supply its correction. (1)

When he came back, he see the children playing in the garden.

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xi. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct option. (1)

Richard is a sweet guy and sometimes he _____ bring me some flowers.

- A. would B. could
C. may D. might

xii. Complete the given sentence with the correct form of the verb. (1)

Someone (ran away/run away) with my bag while I was sleeping in the train.

WRITING

(10)

4. A. This summer vacation you are planning to visit Shimla. Write a letter to a travel agency in Shimla, in about 120 words, requesting them to book you a room in a five-star hotel. Give other

details of your journey and the facilities you require there. Sign your name as Sonam, C/5, West Bengal. (5)

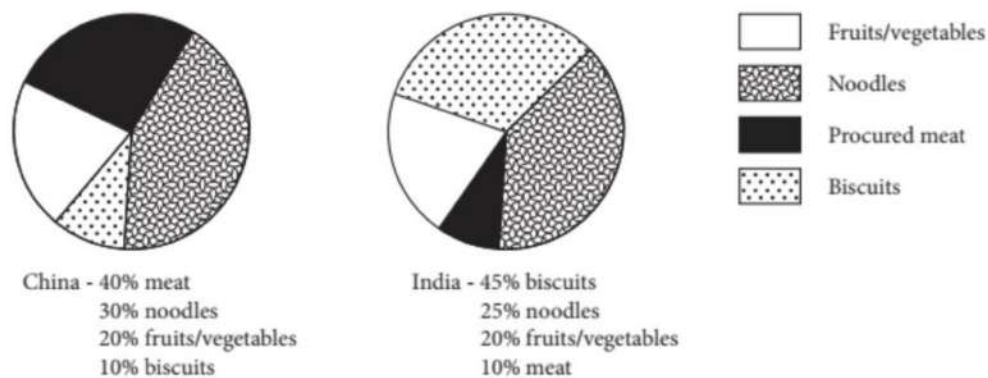
OR

4. B. Write a letter, in about 120 words, to the Editor of a newspaper about the insanitary conditions prevailing in your locality and the indifference of the Municipal authorities in spite of repeated letters of complaint. You are Dimpy from Jagran Colony, Nagpur.

(5)

5. A. Below given are two pie charts showing consumption habits of India and China overall in 2008. Write an analytical paragraph describing the pie charts in about 120 words.

(5)



OR

5. B. "Joint Family or Nuclear Family there is no guarantee of a happy family?"

Write an analytical paragraph exploring the idea of a nuclear family and if it should be the ideal choice in about 120 words.

SECTION-C

LITERATURE TEXTBOOK AND SUPPLEMENTARY READING TEXT (40 MARKS)

6. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.

(5)

A. Enlightened after seven days, he renamed the tree the Bodhi Tree (Tree of Wisdom) and began to teach and to share his new understandings. At that point, he became known as the Buddha (The Awakened or the Enlightened).

i. What enlightenment came over him? (1)

- A. He was enlightened about family and his loved ones.
- B. He was enlightened about his purpose in life.
- C. He was enlightened about the true meaning of pain and suffering.
- D. He was enlightened about his kingdom.

ii. Where did Buddha sit down for meditation, and what did he do after being enlightened?
Elaborate your answer in about 40 words. (2)

iii. After attaining enlightenment, other than Buddha, he was known as _____. (1)

iv. Which statement is false from the following? (1)

- A. Buddha is also known as the Awakened.
- B. Buddha renamed the Tree of Wisdom.
- C. Buddha took 7 years to be enlightened.
- D. Buddha took 7 days to be enlightened.

OR

B. "I returned another to you exactly like it. And it has taken us ten years to pay for it. You can understand that it was not easy for us who have nothing. But it is finished and I am decently content."

Mme Forestier stopped short. She said, "You say that you bought a diamond necklace to replace mine?"

"Yes. You did not perceive it then? They were just alike."

i. 'You' in the first line is _____.

- A. Mme Loisel
- B. M Loisel
- C. Mme Forestier
- D. Mme Ramponneau

ii. 'It' in the first line of the extract is referring to _____. (1)

iii. Meaning of word 'content' is _____.

- A. things
- B. satisfied

C. worried

D. regretted

iv. What took Loiseles ten years, and why? Elaborate your answer in about 40 words.
(2)

7. Read the given extracts and answer the questions for ANY ONE of the two, given.
(5)

A. Don't eat that chocolate, Amanda!

Remember your acne, Amanda!

Will you please look at me

When I am speaking to you, Amanda!

(I am Rapunzel, I have not care;

life in a tower is tranquil and rare;)

i. Who reminded Amanda of her acne and why? Answer in about 40 words. (2)

ii. "Will you please look at me" here means (1)

A. stop ignoring me

B. keep looking at me

C. please don't be angry at me

D. please speak to me

iii. Amanda is Rapunzel because she feels _____ .

iv. Which statement is false?

A. Amanda's mother is nagging.

B. Amanda loves chocolate.

C. Amanda likes being nagged around by her mother.

D. Amanda uses imagination as a means of escape.

OR

B. Some say the world will end in fire

Some say in ice.

From what I've tasted of desire

I hold with those who favour fire. (2)

i. What is the poet's opinion of the world in these lines? Answer in about 40 words.

ii. "tasted of desire" the poet is _____ .

A. missing desire

B. talking about his experience of desiring something

C. afraid of tasting desire

D. never known desire

iii. Find out the rhyming words in the given extract. (1)

iv. Choose the correct synonym of 'desire'. (1)

A. Assure

B. Wish

C. Plead

D. Entrap

8. Answer ANY FOUR of the following five questions, in about 40-50 words.

i. Do you think that Lencho was right to call the post office employees a bunch of crooks? Why or why not? (3)

ii. From whom have the inhabitants of Coorg descended, as per the legend?

iii. What is the theme of the poem-"The Ball Poem"? (3)

iv. Describe about Anne Frank's early education. (3)

V. Why did the young seagull remain all alone on the ledge? (3)

9. Answer ANY TWO of the following three questions, in about 40-50 words.

i. What was Tricki's condition when Mrs. Pumphrey recollected him? (3)

ii. What would Matilda often dream of? (3)

iii. 'Anil walked away. I followed casually. Why do you think the narrator followed Anil? (3)

10. Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words.

A. What great truth about life does the Buddha want to teach Gotami through her experience? How is this lesson important?

OR

B. Give a brief character sketch of Valli.

11. Answer ANY ONE of the following two questions, in about 100-120 words.

A. Write a paragraph on the role of education in about 120 words with reference to the chapters The Making of a Scientist and Bholi.

You may begin this way:

Education plays a very crucial role in the overall development of a person.

OR

B. Excess of everything is bad. Comment in the wake of Mrs. Pumphrey's love for Tricki.



SOLUTIONS

1. i. According to the author, listening is one of the greatest gifts one can ever give or receive from someone. The author called it a "lost art" because, in today's world, many people are talking but few are willing to listen with their mind and soul.

ii. listening

iii. Listening is a difficult task that requires the same amount of practice as any other skill to get better at. The author claimed that listening is more than just hearing because it requires us to focus on what the other person is saying. It means paying attention to not only the story but also how it is told, including the choice of words, the tone of voice, and the body language.

iv. C. 2 and 4

v. degree to which we perceive and understand messages

vi. B. to clear distractions and give our full attention

vii. D. a chance to recalibrate our understanding if we have misunderstood something

viii. C. We don't need to experience the other person's feelings to really understand.

2. i. relationship between books and films

ii. A. (1) is the result of (2).

iii. B. A major chunk of sales happened in 2017.

iv. B. the films get the advantage of the fame of the books

v. D. (1), (2) and (4)

vi. books

vii. According to the research, books that are adapted into films tend to perform better because films can "leverage the popularity" of well-known books through an existing audience. Films that are based on books typically have a richer, more developed tale to draw from. Additionally, it was discovered that, when it came to TV dramas, a quarter of them were based on literary sources and drew a 56% bigger audience share than those with original screenplays.

viii. The statement claims "there is a two-way relationship between books and the screen" because both mediums benefit from each other's success and popularity, and a successful adaptation frequently has spill-over effects and gives a substantial boost to the sales of the original books.



3. i. every

ii. Puneet asked his father which team he had supported in the previous night's cricket match between the two.

iii.

Error	Correction
give	gives

iv. B. I have no plans for the evening

v. C. is planning

vi. he had any difficulty

vii. was playing

viii.

Option No.	Error	Correction
A.	would	could

ix. C. should

x.

Error	Correction
see	saw

xi. A. would

xii. ran away

4. A.

Sonam
C/5, West Bengal
15 April 20xx
The Manager
Globe Travel Agency
The Mall Road, Shimla

Subject : Hotel accommodation and other facilities

Dear Sir,

I am planning to visit Shimla during the summer vacation. I intend to reach there on 16 May by the IC 308 flight and stay there for a week. You are requested to book a deluxe double bedroom in a five star hotel, as I will be accompanied by my friend. I shall also need a chauffeur-driven car to take us in and around Shimla.

Please make these facilities available for a week, i.e., from 16 May to 22 May 20xx. A bank draft for ₹ 5000 is enclosed as advance. Please confirm the bookings so that the remaining amount may be sent to you.

Yours faithfully,

Sonam

OR

4. B.

A 33, Jargan Colony
13th March, 20xx
The Editor
The Times of India
Nagpur, Maharastra

Subject : Poor Sanitary Conditions in Jagran Colony

Dear Sir/Ma'am

Through the columns of your prestigious daily, I wish to draw the attention of the concerned authorities towards the extremely pitiable conditions in Jagran Colony. Sanitation is the cornerstone of public health and our colony drastically lacks it. Improper disposal of domestic waste and open sewages have been causing catastrophic effects on the health of children as well as adults in our colony.

This, in turn, is giving rise to serious diseases like diarrhoea, cholera, etc. Waterlogging and open manholes are other sources of diseases like malaria. They have also posed a risk before parents who are scared of sending their children out for playing. Yet the local authorities are indifferent to such a grave concern. This is not only astonishing but also shameful on their part.

I would like to request the civil authorities to show their concern in this regard and take necessary steps immediately.

Thanking you

Yours truly

Dimpy

5. A. The two given pie charts depict types of food consumption in 2008 showing comparison of two countries India and China. Overall, the data shows processed food as the major food consumption category.



Processed food comprises the highest category (comprising of biscuits and noodles) of the global consumption. In China and India as well, processed foods are consumed the most, the rate of consumption being 40% and 70% respectively. On an average, vegetables and fruits constitute total 40% of consumption. In China, vegetables and fruits comprise 20% of food consumption which is equal to India. For Indians, animal food accounts for 10% of their diet, whereas Chinese consumption stands at a striking 40%. The most consumed food item by China is meat whereas for India it is biscuits. And the given data shows the least consumed product by India as meat and biscuits by China. There is a striking contrast in both the countries' most and least preferred food item.

Overall, food consumption largely comprises of processed food. Chinese consumption of meat is unbelievably higher than India

OR

5. B. The nuclear family or smaller family is usually preferred and recommended in today's modern lifestyle as it gives more freedom, financial stability and independence when compared to the joint family structure. While less conflict and decreased family stress is an advantage of the nuclear family, it also puts the family at a disadvantage. Conflict is a part of life, and conflict resolution skills are beneficial in school, the community and the workplace. Nuclear families can develop like-minded thinking, leading to fewer arguments within the family unit. While joint family is like a nursery to teach social virtues. It helps to develop social virtues like co-operation, sympathy, sacrifice, affection, spirit of selfless service, obedience and broadmindedness.

Feeling of loneliness is one of important drawbacks in nuclear family. At the time of emergency one can get any help and support from other members. Joint family acts as insurance for the members of the family at the time of crisis. It provides social security to its members especially to the old, the infirm, the unemployed persons, the orphans, the widowed daughters and sisters as well.

The choice to raise a family by the nuclear model does not guarantee success or happiness but can provide a basis for obtaining those ideals. Awareness of the possible advantages and disadvantages allows a big-picture view of this family structure. No family is perfect, but when you work together with family members, you ensure the best possible outcomes for everyone involved.

6. A. i. C. He was enlightened about the true meaning of pain and suffering.

ii. Buddha sat down under a banyan tree for meditation, and after being enlightened seven days after the end of his meditation, he began to teach what he had learned and share his new understandings with his disciples. He encouraged them to follow the path of salvation.

iii. the Awakened

iv. C. Buddha took 7 years to be enlightened.

OR

B. i. C. Mme Forestier

ii. the diamond necklace

iii. B. satisfied

iv. The diamond necklace that was lost by Mme Loisel at the ball ten years ago took the Loiseles ten years to repay the debts that it caused them. They had no money, and they had to work very hard to repay the amount they borrowed from the lenders.

7. A. i. Amanda's mother reminded Amanda of her acne. She is disallowing her to eat chocolates as they cause acne, and Amanda is already suffering from this skin problem, so eating chocolates will only aggravate the problem further.

ii. A. stop ignoring me

iii. trapped

iv. C. Amanda likes being nagged around by her mother.

OR

B. i. According to the poet, the world will end in fire because of the increasing desires, lust, and hatred in it. The poet feels that there is enough hatred in the world, and it keeps growing which will lead to the end of the world in the coming years.

ii. B. talking about his experience of desiring something

iii. fire-desire

iv. B. Wish

8. i. Lencho called the post office employees a bunch of crooks as he did not get full money that he had demanded. He could not believe that God had sent him any less money so he doubted these people. But he was not right to call them a bunch of crooks.

ii. As per the legend, a part of Alexander's army, when retreating from India, went South and settled in Coorg when they found that they could not return home. Then they married among the locals and their descendants are the Kodavus (the people of Coorg).

iii. In "The Ball Poem", Berryman tells us about how our childhood can quickly fly by, how we grow up and face hardships. We lose things which we love and are attached to. We must not feel disheartened or dejected but try to stand up and bear the loss through self-understanding as the boy who lost the ball he loved was trying to learn.

iv. Anne Frank got her early education at the Montessori Nursery School until she was six. She started in the first

form and in the sixth form, she had developed such a good relation with her headmistress Mrs. Kuperus that both of them were in tears on the farewell.

v. The young seagull felt very miserable on the ledge as he was alone and his family had already flown away. He was feeling very hungry and had nothing to eat. His condition was worsening because he could not even dive for fish.

9. i. Tricki was given a non-medicinal treatment. His diet regimen was altered depending upon his body's response to it. He was kept on liquid diet for the first two days and then his diet was gradually increased. Yes, this treatment did help Tricki as it built up energy in him. He had transformed into an energetic, hard-muscled dog in just a fortnight.

ii. Matilda would often dream of all the delicacies, luxuries, elegant dinners, marvelous dishes, rich silver, beautiful dresses, jewels, adoration and a life of glory. She would escape into her dreams from the dullness of her very humble existence.

iii. The narrator's purpose of robbing Anil had not yet been served. He followed Anil to gain his trust and look for an opportunity that may help him give shape to his plans.

10. A. After the death of Kisa Gotami's only child, she became very sad. She carried her dead child to her neighbours in order to get medicine to bring him to life. Her neighbours thought that she had gone insane as she was unable to accept the fact. It was then that someone suggested her to meet Gautama Buddha. When she met Gautama Buddha, he gave her an exercise to do. She was asked to collect mustard seeds from a house where no one has ever died. She went from one house to another but was unable to find a single house where no one has died. This way she realised that death is a part of life and anyone who is born is bound to die one day. Thus, Buddha changed her understanding of death by this exercise. And finally, she could come to terms with the truth.

OR



B. Valli was a determined, confident and brave girl. She was also a good planner and executioner. She sacrificed a lot of things to achieve her dream. For example, she curbed the temptation to buy sweets and riding on the merry-go-round in the fair so that she could save money for the bus ride. Sacrificing all these things at such a tender age is very difficult for a child. She also behaved confidently in the bus and did not get bobbed down in the presence of elders. When the bus reached the town, Valli did not succumb to the temptation of going out to explore the town or having a drink. She did this as she had a limited amount of money which she wanted to save for her return journey. So, Valli used her money wisely. When the conductor offered her a drink, she showed good manners by refusing to have it.

11. A. Education plays a very crucial role in the overall development of a person. It increases a person's knowledge in different fields of study. Being educated elevates the personalities of individuals. It helps in pursuing our dreams, and correct education and guidance can help us achieve our goals. In the case of Bholi, education changed her overall personality for good reasons. She was no longer a girl who always feared others, but she became a confident girl. She no longer stammered and could speak confidently. She even stood up for herself and her father's pride, and all these changes came into her life after she was educated. In the case of Ebright, he was already a studious child and was keen on acquiring knowledge about different fields. His mother pushed his interest and helped him become a scientist. The correct guidance from his teachers and his mother and his determination to learn new things fuel his curiosity. And in the end, Ebright discovered that DNA is the blueprint for life and became a successful scientist. Both Bholi and Ebright achieved their goals with the help of education.

OR

B. Mrs. Pumphrey was a rich woman who loved her dog very much. She loved to live a comfortable and lavish life and also wanted her dog to spend a similar one. She had maintained a wardrobe full of fancy fur coats, dresses, beds, etc. for Tricki. Apart from this, she used to overfeed Tricki out of her love and concern. She used to serve him cod-liver oil and malt between the main meals and Horlicks after dinner to give him strength. She never realised that Tricki was a greedy dog and this would spoil his health. She could not even refuse to answer Tricki drooling for cream cakes and chocolates. Her overfeeding worsened Tricki's condition. This made the dog lazy, inactive and obese. He used to lie on his rug and pant all day long. Mrs. Pumphrey fed him excessively, spoiling Tricki's health to such an extent that he had to be hospitalised. Even in the hospital she continued to convey Tricki her love through eggs, wine and brandy. Her fondness and care for Tricki proved that excess of everything made him fall sick.