

CLASS VI

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DIVERSITY AND DISCRIMINATION

CHAPTER – 2

(Question – Answer)



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Exercises

Question 1. Match the following statements in a way that challenges stereotypes:

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Question 2. How can the stereotype that girls are a burden on their parents affects the life of a daughter? Imagine this situation and list at least five different effects that this stereotype can have on the way daughters get treated in the house.



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Ans: The 5 different negative effects are mentioned below

- 1.They don't receive proper love and care from the family.
- 2.They discontinue their education hence their dreams and goals are unfulfilled
- 3.They don't get adequate diet
- 4.They are asked to do all household works
- 5.They are not allowed to go out and make new friends.

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Question 3. What does the Constitution say with regard to equality? Why do you think it is important for all people to be equal?

Ans: Our Constitution says

1. Everyone has equal rights and opportunities
2. All are equal to compete for Government jobs
3. People can choose any kind of work they wish to do
4. Untouchability is a crime and is legally abolished.

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Question 4. Sometimes people make prejudiced comments in our presence. We are often not in a position to do anything about this because it is difficult to say something right then and there. Divide the class into groups and each group discuss what they could do in one of the following situations:

(a) A friend begins to tease a classmate because he is poor.

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Ans: I would try to convince my friend that being a poor is not a crime nor a matter of laughter. Hence, he should not tease his classmate. Instead, he should take care of his dignity and self-respect.

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(b) You are watching TV with your family and one of them makes a prejudicial comment about a particular religious community.

Ans: I would stop him/her to do that.

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(c) Children in your class refuse to share their food with a particular person because they think she is dirty.

Ans: I would advise my classmates to be friendly with one and all.

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(d)Someone tells you a joke that makes fun of a community because of their accent.

Ans: I would not get involved in the joke and would proceed from their immediately

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(e)Some boys make remarks about girls not being able to play games as well as them.

Ans: I would try to convince those boys that girls are in no way less efficient than their male counterparts. I would give examples of Kalpana Chawla and Sunita Williams who did what many men could not think of.