

## Chapter 8

### bseb 10 class english solutions GIRLS WISER THAN MAN

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**Q.1. Do you celebrate festivals ?**

**Ans.** Yes, I do.

**Q.2. Which festival you enjoy most ?**

**Ans.** I enjoy celebrating. Deepavali festival of lights.

**Q.3. Are you celebrating it with your family and friends ?**

**Ans.** Yes it is celebrated with family and friends which adds to the gaiety.

**Q.4. In which season it is celebrated ?**

**Ans.** Mostly it is celebrated in the later of October or sometime in November. In these months the winter starts knocking at the door in northern part of our country.

**Q.5. What do you do when enjoying with your friends ?**

**Ans.** We light the house with earthen lamp decorate forrace with series play bulbs with crackers and other fire works together, worship goddess Lakshmi, the Devi of wealth and prosperity and eat a lot of sweet dishes prepared by mother.

#### **B. While reading questions :**

**Q.1. Which festival was referred by the writer ?**

**Ans.** The writer has referred to the Easter festival which comes after writer in the mouth of March or April.

**Q.2. Why seldging was over ?**

**Ans.** Sledging was over the snow on the hills had started melting. Sledging is only possible when the hills are snow clapped.

**Q.3. Why there was water running in streams down the village street ?**

**Ans.** The crust of snow still lay in the yards and the water of melting snow ran in streams down the village street.

**Q.4. Where do the two little girls meet ?**

**Ans.** The two little girls from different houses happened to meet in a lane between two home steads.

**Q.5. Are they was very small and the other a little bigger.**

**Ans.** One girl was very small and the other a little bigger .

**Q.6. Why did Akhulya try to check Malasha ?**

**Ans.** Because the fancy took them to splsh water entering into the puddle. She had her shoes and stocking on while earning into water. That would spoil the shoes and dress and then mother would scold her.

**Q.7. Akhulya advised did Akhulya offer ?**

**Ans.** Akulya advised Malasha take off her off her shoes and stockings,avoid splashing water

and walk carefully.

B.2. Say 'True' [T] or 'False' to following statements :

1. Akulya and Malasha take off their shoes and stockings. [ T ] 2. They do not walk towards each other in the puddle . [ F ] 3. Malasha assures Akulya that water is deep . [F] 4. Malasha splashes water.[T] 5. Akulya ran to strike Malasha. [T] 6. Malasha purposely splashes water. [ T ]

B.3. Fill up the blanks :  
They all went on quarrelling, till one gave another a push and the affair had very nearly come to blows when Akulya's old grandmother, stepping in among them, tried to calm them.  
What are you thinking of friends ? Is it right to behave so ? On a day like this too! It is a time for rejoining and not for such folly as this .

**B.4. Answer the question briefly :**

**Q.1. Why Akulya started shouting at Malasha ?**

**Ans.** When Akoulya saw the stains on her frock she was angry and ran after Malasha to strike her. Malsha got frightened on this .

**Q.2. Why Akulya's mother seized Malasha ?**

**Ans.** Malasha had plumped down her foot in the new frock of Akoulya . It had gone upto nose and eyes. Malasha got frightened as she saw Akulya running after her to give a strike. Akoulya flamed Malasha for this condition when her mother enquired about this.  
On this Akoulya's mother seized Malasha and struck her on the back of her neck.

**Q.3. What happens when Malash's mother came out after hearing her howl.**

**Ans.** Malasha started howling so that her voice reaches down the street. Her mother came out.

She asked : " what for are you beating my girl ?" She started scolding her neighbour.

**Q.4. Why no one was listening ?**

**Ans.** The men came out a crowd collected over there in the street. Every body was shouting and no one was listening. They all went on quarrelling .

**Q.5. Did the old woman succeed in her effort ?**

**Ans.** Akoulya's old grand mother stepped in and tried to calm everybody. She said right to behave so ? It is a time for rejoining and not for such folly as this she said.

**Q.6. What did Akulya do while other woman were abusing ?**

**Ans.** Akulya wiped out the mud off her frock. She went back to the puddle. She took a stone and began scraping away the earth in front of the puddle to make a channel so that water could run upto the street. Malasha also joined her in her effort and with a chip of wood helped her in digging the channel.

**Q.7. When men also started fighting, what the two girls do ?**

**Ans.** Water started flowing down the channel and the wooden chip started floating in the stream. The two girls started running on two sides of the little stream. Highly delighted and watching the chip float along on their stream the little straight into the group of men.

**Q.8. were they too fighting ?**

**Ans.**No, they were highly delighted were enjoying their creations.

**Q.9. Why old woman said to the crowd. ” Are you not shared of yourselves “.**

**Ans.** The old woman wanted to clam the crowd. So she said : ” Are you not ashamed of your self ?” You people are fighting on account of these little girls. But you see, they themselves have foregotten all the wrongs they have committed.

**C. Questions with long Answers :**

Answer the following questions :

**Q.1. Describe why two girls were dressed in new clothes and showing their finery to each other.**

**Ans.** It was the occasion of Ester festival. So their mothers had dressed them both in new frocks. The little one wore a frock of blue colour while the elder one had her frock in yellow colour with print. As they met on the street , they started showing their fineries to each other.

**Q.2. Why did they step into puddle and what makes them fight ?**

**Ans.** When they met on the street, they started playing and soon they took fancy for water which had accumulated at one place making a puddle from the melting of winter snow.

Akoulya warned her not to do that otherwise her mother would scold you.

The fighting started when Malaska plumped down her foot and the water splashed right onto Akoulya’s frock. The frock of Akoulya splashed and so were her nose and eyes.

**Q.3. What did the old woman by ” Is it right to behave so ? On a day like this too !”**

**Ans.** It was the day of Easter, a day which is celebrated by the Christians throughout the world with devotion and gaiety. The village folk were also busy in rejoining and celebrating the festival. Suddenly they started quarrelling on a very trivial issue. Akoulya’s grandmother tried to calm them by saying ” Is it right to behave so ? On a day like this too ! ” Today is the day for rejoining and not to commit such folly like this.

**Q.4. Why in the crowd every one is shouting and no one is listening ?**

**Ans.** Akoulya’s mother finding her daughter’s new clothes dirty with stains and her face eyes and nose full of mud, got angry. She seized Malasha and struck her on the back of her neck. Her mother came out. There was a melee and everybody in the crowd started shouting at each other. In fact no one thought of easing the situation and pacifying everybody.

**Q.5. Why writer calls two little girls.” Dear little souls “.**

**Ans.** Ultimately the situation was controlled by the wiser steps taken by the two little girls. They had forgotten their wrong and started playing happily together without any reflection of enmity amongst them. While the people were fighting taking the side of children’s mothers separately.

**D. Group Discussion :**

1. Is it proper to fight on trivial issue like sitting in first row ? Discuss with your friend.

Points for discussion :

(a) Even big issues should be through discussion.

(b) Enmity and there is no end to it .

(c) Sitting in the first row will not make a student genius and there is no point in fighting on

this trivial matter.

(d) Try to "live and let others live".

2. Love for mankind and discipline makes one character strong. Discuss in group.

Points:

(a) Love for mankind should be the primary object of men. When you give love you will get love in return.

(b) Discipline shapes life. It tunes one's way of life. He will not be proved to be misled in life and action.

(c) A disciplined person wins the race in game of Life too.

(d) Man is the creation of supreme God. God bestows kindness on all equally. One has to follow the dictates of God.

E. Word Study :

E.1. Phrasal verbs :

Phrasal verbs consist of two words [ verb + Adverb ] which carry a single meaning and this meaning is not the sum total of the two words.

Example : Give up, put up, Break down etc.

Now pick out phrasal verbs down etc.

Now pick out phrasal verbs used in the lesson and use them in sentence of your own.

E.2. Rearrange nonsense words into meaningful words.

1. Tremass = Streams.

2. Lesank = ankles.

3. Shaspla = Splash.

4. How = Howh.

5. Ddlepu = puddle.

F. Grammar Activities :

One may report the words of a speaker in two different ways :

1. May quote the actual words of speaker.

2. Or report what a speaker said without quoting his exact words in [ indirect speech ].

Look at the following sentence in your lesson.

'Don't go in so, Malsha said she'.

She said, "Your mother will scold you."

Now look at following sentences

She wanted her that her mother not to go in that way

She warned her that her mother would scold her.

In reporting statement commands and requests of direct speech in indirect speech few changes are required.

1. Inverted commas have to be removed.

2. 'That' is used before the indirect narration.

Now pick out sentences from the lesson written in indirect speech and change them into direct speech:

1. 'It's deep, Akoulya, I am afraid' = Malsha told that the water in the puddle is deep and

she should not go that side.

2. 'Mind Malasha don't splash. Walk carefully = Akoulya advised Malasha not to splash water and talk carefully .

3. 'Come on ' replied the other. Don't be frightened. It won't get any deeper' = Akoulya said that the water would not get deeper and she should not be afraid of that.

4. "Malasha did it on purpose", replied the girl = The girl replied that it has been done by Malasha purposely.

5. What are you beating my girl for' said she = She asked as to why she was beating her girl ?

6. "Catch it, Malasha ! Catch it" shouted Akoulya = Akoulya asked Malasha to catch the water flowing towards the place where the old woman was trying to Pacify them.

### **C. Composition :**

**Q.1. If you move from one culture to another culture you may find variation in custom, food habits, dress code and Activities.**

What kind of features of culture variation you have observed in this lesson ?

**Ans.** This lesson speaks of only one culture prevailing in the society under reference. They happen to come from one culture background. There is a reference of Easter being celebrated by the people. Their mothers had dressed them both in new frocks.

There is no reference regarding food or food habits bit it may be imagined to be the same .

The reaction of the people over the trivial issue of children's behaviour revealed the thinking of the people.

**Q.2. Despite variations there are some features, which are common to whole of human kind. Write on those features on account of your reading of the lesson.**

**Ans.** There are some common is stirt present in the mankind. It is anger, fear, sorrow, happiness, quarrel and other special behaviours.

### **H. Activities :**

H.1. Report the story to your friend in indirect speech.

**Ans.** This may be done under the guidance of the class teacher by individual student

Translation :

**Translate the passage into Hindi :**

They would not listen to the old lady, and nearly knocked her off her feet. And she would not have been able quite crowd , if it had not been for Akoulya and Malasha themselves. While the woman were abusing each other , Akoulya had wiped the mud off her frock, and gone back to the puddle. She took a stone and began scraping away the earth in front of the puddle to make a channel through which the water could run out into the street.

**Ans.** वे वृद्ध महिला की बात सुनने को बिल्कुल तैयार नहीं थे। वे करीब – करीब उसे धक्का देकर गिरा चुके थे। वृद्ध महिला भीड़ को शांत नहीं कर पायी — इस दिशा में अकुल्या और मलाशय को ही पहल करनी पड़ी । जब महिलाएँ वहाँ एक — दूसरे को गाली दे रही थी, अकुल्या ने अपने फ्रॉक पर पड़े दाग पोछ लिये और उस जलाशय में चली गयी। उसने एक पत्थर उठाया और उस जलाशय के आगे की मिट्टी को खोदकर हटाना शुरू कर दिया ताकि एक नाली बन जाय और जलाशय का जल सड़क तक आसानी से पहुँच जाय ।