



# Topics for IELTS speaking with possible answers



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**Speech that somebody delivered and you heard.**

**Speech by a famous person**

- **In my life I heard many speeches. But here I would like to discuss with you a speech which my principal delivered when I was in 10<sup>th</sup> class and it was on the most burning issue nowadays - that is “GLOBAL WARMING”.**
- **My school principal is very famous person in my home town and is known for his oratorical skills.**
- **He talked on the topic of global warming.**
- **The whole globe is involved in it.**
- **The way he described the causes and effects was very interesting.**
- **It was an eye-opener for me.**
- **We humans are the causes and we humans can lessen it.**
- **He also told us how the pollution caused by cutting trees, having more industries, growing number of cars and other human luxuries is leading to global warming.**
- **Then he told us about the effects of global warming.**
- **Firstly is the rise in the sea level.**
- **This is because of the melting of mountain peaks.**
- **Second effect is changing climate.**
- **We all know that summers are getting hotter and winters are getting colder.**
- **Finally, we are having epidemics of diseases like malaria and dengue.**
- **This is because mosquitoes and flies prosper in the heat.**
- **He also told how to lessen this phenomenon by simple measures like**
  - ◆ **Not cutting down trees.**
  - ◆ **Planting more trees.**
  - ◆ **Using recycled materials.**
  - ◆ **Saying no to plastic bags.**
- **I felt very enlightened after listening to his spellbinding speech.**
- **I try to avoid using plastic bags and also accept recycled material even though quality is low.**

**An interesting news story that you watched on TV**

- I have watched many interesting news stories on TV
- A news story that I saw recently was on Global warming.
- I saw it on Star news Channel.
- It caught my attention because global warming is a burning issue these days. The whole globe is involved in it.
- The way they showed the causes and effects was very eye catching.
- It was an eye-opener for me.
- We humans are the cause and we humans only can lessen it.
- The news article told how the pollution caused by cutting trees, having more industries, growing number of cars and other human luxuries is leading to global warming.
- Then it told me about effects of global warming.
- There are three main effects.
- Firstly there is rising sea level.
- Secondly we are having longer summers and extreme climates.
- That is to say that the summers are hotter and the winters are cooler.
- Finally we are having epidemics of diseases like malaria and dengue. This is because mosquitoes and other insects prosper in the heat.
- The news article also told how we can lessen this phenomenon by simple measures like not cutting down trees, planting more trees, using recycled materials and saying no to plastic bags.
- I felt very enlightened after seeing this news story.
- I decided to start using recycled things immediately.

**An Interesting news story that you read in paper**

- I read the Tribune daily.
- It gives many interesting news stories.
- The news story that I am going to talk about here is on Global warming.
- I read it in the editorial section of the paper.
- The editor Mr H K Dua had presented the article in a very nice way.
- It caught my attention because global warming is a burning issue these days. The whole globe is involved in it.
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**An interesting place in your Home Town**

### **Favourite Restaurant**

- **There are many restaurants which I frequent but here I am going to describe Haveli.**
- OR**
- **There are many interesting places in my home town but here I am going to talk about Haveli**
  - **It is on the national highway between Jalandhar & Phagwara.**
  - **Actually it falls in the suburbs of Phagwara.**
  - **I like it because of the delicious & quality food , quick & prompt service & a friendly atmosphere.**
  - **It is always swarming with people & brimming with activity.**
  - **The food is priced at very normal rates.**
  - **It is a huge place with a seating capacity of about 200 people.**
  - **The interior is decorated to simulate a traditional Punjabi village scene.**
  - **Handicrafts adorn the walls which give the place a very ethnic look.**
  - **The food served is mouth watering & delicious.**
  - **The restaurant is very clean & hygienic.**
  - **The waiters are amicable & friendly.**
  - **In the evenings Punjabi cultural songs & dances are per formed by various artists.**
  - **It is a must visit place for one & all**
  - **It is so interesting that one can never feel bored there.**

### **Changes in your life**

- **Change is the law of nature.**
- **My life has also seen many changes.**
- **I would like to talk about here about some changes that are worth mentioning.**
- **I used to be a very fat and chubby child.**
- **A real couch potato.**
- **Then one day there was a drama competition in school.**
- **I was given the role of a fat and dumb girl/boy.**
- **Everyone laughed at me.**
- **I decided to change that image and I started exercising daily.**
- **I stopped eating chocolates and candies.**
- **The changes became obvious and in six months I was a new person.**
- **I felt more confident and active.**
- **You know what, I even got better in studies**
- **Then I made new friends.**
- **I used to be an introvert.**
- **I started going out and meeting people.**
- **I started finding the world a better place.**
- **Another change that I would like to talk about here is in my nature.**
- **I used to spend all my money on chocolates.**
- **Once I helped a poor class fellow with some stationery material.**
- **I found great happiness in it.**
- **I used to live for myself only.**
- **But I found a new meaning of life.**
- **So you see ma'am, changes are a part and parcel of life.**

**A positive change in your life**



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- The one positive change in my life was joining the ILETS course.
- I had learnt English before that.
- I started learning English in my school days but when I joined IELTS, I was exposed to international English.
- I never knew English had these four areas.
- I never knew English was so beautiful.
- The training centre where I went was exclusively for English and they spoke only English.
- It gave me a lot of ideas, confidence, vocabulary and enthusiasm.
- My teachers were excellent.
- Some student over there were my role models.
- I could improve my accent and my pronunciation.
- They were always motivating us to talk.
- Earlier, I used to shy away when anybody was speaking English.
- Now I find myself totally changed for the better.
- If I get a good band, I can go abroad and my life will be totally changed.
- So, joining the ILETS has brought a positive change in my life

**Educational tour (museum)**

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- Educational tours are routine part of school curricula these days.
- I too went with my school to an educational tour
- It was to Shaheed Bhagat Singh Museum at Khatkarkalan, Banga
- I was in 10<sup>th</sup> class at that time.
- I remember how much we enjoyed.
- We learnt a lot about our freedom struggle also
- The museum displays memorable belongings of the martyrs of Punjab
- The museum was inaugurated on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 1981, on the 50<sup>th</sup> martyrdom day of S. Bhagat Singh, Rajguru and Sukhdev
- The museum reminds us the toil, sweat and the sacrifice which Bhagat Singh gave for the country's freedom
- I was awe-struck by the magnificent grandeur of the big bronze statue of Bhagat Singh at the entrance of the museum
- What moved us most were the half-burnt ashes of S. Bhagat Singh, Rajguru and Sukhdev
- The blood-stained newspaper in which his ashes were brought is also displayed
- A copy of the Bhagwad Gita with Bhagat Singh's signature is also displayed
- Bhagat Singh's family photographs, his jail diary and original documents of Lahore conspiracy are also displayed
- The museum brings alive the life and times of this iconic revolutionary.

**Family apart from your family**

### A Family you like

- A family is a basic building block of society
- I know a lot of families and I am well connected to the families of my aunts and uncles. So, I belong to an extended family.
- The family I am going to describe here is of my aunt Jyoti.
- She is my father's sister.
- My Uncle's name is Jagtar and they have two children Deepa and Roop.
- They live in Phagwara in Hargobind Nagar.
- I like their family a lot because even though my uncle and aunt are very well off, as they are both doctors, they are very down-to-earth.
- Even their children have no airs about them.
- They are liked by all people in my family.
- Both aunty and uncle are very magnanimous and always willing to help others with their time and money.
- Deepa is doing here masters in biotechnology and Roop is doing mechanical engineering.
- Aunt and uncle are known for their hospitality.
- At least once a week their invite us all over for lunch or dinner.
- We also invite them over quite often.
- Whenever somebody in the family is not well you can depend on aunt for help
- Their home has warmth in it which cannot be described in words.
- All the time aunt and uncle seem to have minor quarrels with each but they take it in the lighter vein and in fact are very amusing.
- In fact you enjoy being with them.
- The way aunt and uncle run their family and their nursing home and still have time for all of us is amazing.
- They are indeed an ideal family.

### Polluted City

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- Well ma'am pollution is a big problem these days
- There is hardly a place which is absolutely pollution free
- Here I am going to talk about a city Ludhiana which is very very polluted
- It has all sorts of pollution – air pollution, water pollution and noise pollution
- I went there last week
- In fact I go there quite often as my relatives live there
- Ludhiana is the industrial hub of Punjab
- Industries dump their effluents in the surrounding area and this causes water pollution
- The population of Ludhiana is far more for its size and this has given rise to slum areas in the outskirts
- The people in these slum areas are mainly labourers from other states
- They too litter the place.
- There are many vehicles also which cause air pollution
- Whenever I come back from Ludhiana, I heave a sigh of relief
- Phagwara is relatively pollution free
- There is so much air pollution in Ludhiana that my eyes start watering.

**Law which is good**

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- There are various laws imposed by the govt from time to time.
- All these laws are for the benefit of the society in general.
- Without these laws we would be living in utter chaos.
- The law I am going to talk about here is 'Ban on smoking in public places'.
- This law was made effective from 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2008
- It is the birth date of father of the nation Mahatma Gandhi
- In this law, smoking is strictly prohibited in public places , such as hospitals, courts, bus stops, cinema halls and so on
- If any person is caught smoking in public places, he can be fined Rs. 200
- Smoking is very bad for health
- It is bad for the smoker and also for the passive smoker
- There are many diseases caused by smoking like
  - Lung cancer
  - Chest infections like Coughs (bronchitis)
- If a pregnant woman does passive smoking then the child can be born with defects

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- The law I am going to talk about here is PNDT act i.e. Pre Natal Diagnostic technique Act.
- This was first enforced in 1994 and then amended in 2002.
- In this there is a fine of Rs 1 lack, imprisonment and cancellation of the registration of the Doctor who is caught doing the test.
- It is a disgrace for the Indian society which considers the birth of a girl child as a bad investment in future.
- She is considered a consumer rather than a producer and this narrow view point has led to practices like female foeticide.
- The situation is worst in Punjab.
- In many parts there are only 700 girls per 1000 boys.
- This decline in sex ratio might lead to degradation of moral values of society resulting in
  - Polyandry
  - violence against women
  - red trafficking.
- This law is being strictly implemented but still there is a fear that there is a fear that these practices are going on in the back street.
- I feel that law alone is not sufficient .
- Other measures like-
  - Providing old-age-pension to parents who have no son.
  - Free and compulsory education for girls.
  - Job reservation for women
  - and equal share in property would also help.
- In the end I would like to say that all of us have to work together to form a gender balanced society.

A time when you helped someone

- **Man is a social animal – a part of society.**
- **In a society everyone needs help of someone or the other**
- **I have also given and received help many times**
- **Here I am going to talk about a time when I helped a needy classfellow**
- **Her name is Suman**
- **I remember I was in 10<sup>th</sup> class**
- **She did not have money to buy books**
- **Her father suffered a heavy loss in business and was hospitalised because of depression**
- **I used to receive hundred rupees per month as pocket money**
- **I used to spend it all on chocolates**
- **I am very fond of chocolates**
- **I gave all the money to her**
- **I remember how her face lit up**
- **She bought the books**
- **Since then we've been the best of friends**
- **At that moment I found a great happiness**
- **I had never experienced such a feeling before**
- **I realised that some things can give more joy than eating chocolates**
- **I remembered the saying**
  - **To have enough to share**
  - **To know the joy of giving**
  - **To thrill with all the sweets of life**
  - **Is living**

**A person with whom you like to spend time with**

- My best friend is Sukhwinder. I really like to spend my time with him.
- I met him when I was in the 4<sup>th</sup> class in the Govt Primary School where I studied.
- I like him because he is an honest and straightforward person.
- He was a very happy mentality.
- Whenever I was in trouble he used to come and help me.
- He tried to be very understanding and never fought with me.
- In class I was weak at maths and he used to help me.
- I had a very bad handwriting and he helped me to improve my handwriting also.
- He has a habit of reading.
- His father has subscribed to the Reader's Digest magazine.
- I started reading because of him.
- He is a very loving, caring and affectionate person.
- So, he became a very intimate friend.
- Now also he lives near my house and we spend our evenings together.
- We go for movies together, do shopping together and even play together.

**Favourite movie ( BAGHBAN)**



- **I have seen many movies but the movie I like the most is Baghban.**
- **IT is directed by Ravi Chopra.**
- **The lead roles are played by Amitabh Bachan and Hema Malini.**
- **The movie shows the selfish attitude of today children and how they take their parents for granted.**
- **After Amitabh Bachan retires his four sons are very reluctant to look after them.**
- **Amitabh and Hema are supported by an adopted son who really loves and respects them.**
- **Fortunately Amitabh's book Baghban turns out to be a bestseller and he becomes rich overnight.**
- **Now his selfish children again swarm around him like bees around honey .**
- **This movie gives the message that when parents look after their children, they should save money for their rainy days that is their old age.**
- **After seeing this movie my respect for my parents grew and I began to look at things from a different perspective.**

### **STORY OF A FILM ('Bend It like Beckham')**

- A film have enjoyed recently is 'Bend It like Beckham'.
- What made me want to see it was the title first of all.
- I was also interested to see what it's like for an Indian teenager growing up in England.
- It was directed by Gurinder Chadha and it stars two young British actresses Parminder Nagra and Keira Knightley.
- The film is set in present-day London.
- The main character is an Indian girl called Jess.
- She comes from a very traditional Indian family, who all want her to learn to cook and get married like her elder sister.
- The problem is that Jess wants to play only football, which her parents won't allow her to do because they say, it is unsuitable sport for a girl.
- Encouraged by her friend Joules- played by Ceria Knightly- she starts playing for a local girls' football team, but tells her family that she got a part time job in a Shop.
- Eventually her parents find out, of course, and try to stop her.
- Things get really complicated when it turns out that both she and Joules are in love with Joe (the team's young male coach)
- So Jess is forced to choose between her family, her friend and the man she loves.
- However it all ends happily and Jess is allowed to continue with her footballing career.
- Although, sometimes the film is a bit slow moving and the dialogue is quite difficult to understand at times, there are a number of things I liked about this film.
- There is quite a lot of humour in the film and there are some amusing characters especially Joules mom, who is always worrying about her daughter.
- The scenes showing Jess's sisters' wedding are very warm and colourful.
- The sound track is good too with a mixture of rock and Indian music.

### **Story of A Film ('Pinjar')**

- **I have seen many films in my lifetime but here I am going to talk about Pinjar, which is based on a novel written by Amrita Pritam**
- **She was a famous Punjabi writer**
- **The film is based on the plight on the plight of women during the partition of India**
- **Pinjar literally means skeleton**
- **It is the story of a young hindu girl Puro who lives with her family happily**
- **She is engaged to Ramchand**
- **One day Puro is kidnapped by Rashid**
- **Actually Rashid's aunt was once kidnapped by Puro's family and Rashid wants to take revenge**
- **After kidnapping Puro, Rashid falls in love with her**
- **One day Puro somehow escapes from Rashid's captivity and comes back home**
- **Her family does not accept her because they think she is not chaste any more**
- **Unfortunately, her brother Trilok, who loves her a lot is not home at that time**
- **She returns to Rashid and gets married to him**
- **When trilok returns home he burns Rashids farm and crop.**
- **Meanwhile, Puro is very unhappy with life and becomes a Pinjar, Skeleton**
- **Then partition is announced**
- **Lajjo, Puro's sister-in-law is kidnapped by muslims**
- **Rashid helps Puro find her**
- **Puro falls in love with Rashid because of his goodness**
- **Rashid gives her the option to go to her family in India but she refuses**
- **The film ends on a happy note**

**Book you read recently**

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### **Historical Place (Golden Temple)**

- **India is a diverse country.**
- **It has a rich historical background.**
- **The place I am going to talk about here is the golden temple or Harimandir Sahib or the temple of the god .**
- **It is a place of stupendous beauty and sublime peace.**
- **It is situated at Amritsar in Punjab.**
- **The sikhs all over the world daily wish to pay obeisance at Shri Harimandir Sahib.**
- **Although the 4<sup>TH</sup> guru of Sikhs guru ram dal had the idea of this temple , but it was made by the 5<sup>TH</sup> guru Guru Arjan Dev ji .**
- **It took 16 years (from 1588-1604)to complete this temple.**
- **The temple is surrounded by a large lake of water, known as the sarover which consists of amrit (holy water or Immortal vector).**
- **There are 4 entrances to the temple which signifies openness and acceptance.**
- **People of all castes ,creed ,religion and sex are welcome here .**
- **However, everyone must cover their head as a mark of respect, remove their shoes and wash feet in the small pool of water .**
- **People from all nooks and corners of the world flock to see the golden temple .**
- **I go there once a month to prostrate before the god.**
- **Whenever we have guests, then a visit to the golden temple is always on our agenda.**

**A famous person you would like to meet**

- I would like to meet many famous people but here I am going to talk about Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- OR
- A person I admire the most is Dr.A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.
  - He is our former president.
  - Dr Kalam was born in a very poor family in the southern parts of India at Rameshwaram.
  - The reason why I admire him is that his life shows how & ordinary boy from a deprived class (poor family) could reach the highest level of the nation.
  - He became not only the best rocket engineer but also the first citizen of the nation.
  - It is true that he described his posting as the president as a piece of luck but his achievement as a rocket engineer were absolutely because of sheer hard work.
  - He is role model for one & all.
  - The success of Dr Kalam depended on the fact that he was willing to grow daily.
  - He learned everything that come to him & was looking for thing to learn.
  - The real success of Dr.Kalam is in his application of the discipline, what he learned, in other fields also.
  - That is why he could contribute to artificial limbs of lesser weight.
  - In him we find a person with insatiable quest for knowledge & with great love for suffering fellow beings.

**A book you read recently ( Favourite book)**

- I have read many books but here I would like to talk about the “Wings of Fire” by Dr.A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.

OR

- My favourite book is the “Wings of Fire” by Dr.A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.
- That is the best book.
- It is his auto-biography.
- It was first published in 1999.
- This book became popular only after Dr. Kalam became the president of India.
- He was sworn in as the president of India on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2002.
- Mr Arun Tiwari helped Dr Kalam in writing the book.
- Dr. Kalam says why he wrote his autobiography.
- This book is very motivating.
- From this book I came to know all about the life and achievements of Dr A.P.J.Abdul Kalam
- Dr Kalam was born in a very poor family in the southern parts of India at Rameshwaram.
- The reason why I admire him is that his life shows how & ordinary boy from a deprived class (poor family) could reach the highest level of the nation.
- He became not only the best rocket engineer but also the first citizen of the nation.
- It is true that he described his posting as the president as a piece of luck but his achievement as a rocket engineer were absolutely because of sheer hard work.
- He is role model for one & all.
- The success of Dr Kalam depended on the fact that he was willing to grow daily.
- He learned everything that come to him &was looking for thing to learn.
- The real success of Dr.Kalam is in his application of the discipline, what he learned, in other fields also.
- That is why he could contribute to artificial limbs of lesser weight.
- In him we find a person with insatiable quest for knowledge & with great love for suffering fellow beings.
- I like everything about the book. There is nothing that I don't like
- Another book he wrote is “The Ignited Mind”

### **Photograph**

- I have a collection of many photographs in my album.
- Here I'm going to describe one in which my cousin and I are standing with our grandparents in our farmhouse.
- There is a small round table on which there is a cake.
- I remember vividly, it was the golden jubilee celebration of my grandparents. My aunt baked and iced the cake at home.
- She's an expert cook. She only clicked the photo.
- That's why she is not there in the picture.
- But her presence can be felt through the cake.
- Only the four of us were there in the picture.
- Last year when I celebrated my parents silver jubilee, I wished in my heart that I celebrate their golden jubilee too.
- The tablecloth which is spread on the table was embroidered by my grandma. She had a gifted hand in needle and thread work.
- Both my grandparents are no more in this world now.
- I really treasure this photograph as this brings back nostalgic memories of my childhood.
- Now I have a digital camera in which I capture precious moments.
- Maybe one day my children will value them.
- I like painting and drawing too but can't find enough time for these arts out of my busy schedule.



## **An event which made you happy**

### **Recent happy event**

- **Happy and sad events are a part and parcel of our life.**
- **The happy event I am going to talk about here is the wedding of my cousin.**
- **I attended this wedding on 15<sup>th</sup> January.**
- **My cousin's name is Deepa.**
- **She is my maternal aunt's daughter.**
- **All our relatives and friends were invited.**
- **Actually the whole week before 15<sup>th</sup> was busy in the pre wedding celebrations like tilak, sangeet, mehendi and haldi.**
- **On the day of the wedding, the marriage palace was decorated like a bride. My cousin also looked beautiful in her sequin spangled lehanga.**
- **The baraat came at 5 p.m.**
- **High tea was served in which there were lots of cakes and snacks.**
- **Then there was the jai mala.**
- **The bride and groom exchanged fresh flower garlands.**
- **Then we all danced and enjoyed to the beat of music.**
- **After the sumptuous dinner all the guests departed and only the close family was left.**
- **Then the priest set up a small fire and the remaining ceremony took place around the fire.**
- **The doli took place early morning.**
- **It was a very tearful moment for all of us but we were all happy from deep inside as my cousin was beginning her new life.**
- **Such celebrations are very common in my country.**
- **Since then I have not attended any such ceremony but there is another wedding in the family next month.**

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### Website

- One of my hobbies is surfing the net and I have visited many sites.
- One useful website is yahoo.com.
- My friend told me about this site.
- It is educational, family friendly, safe for kids and adults and above all it is very easy to navigate.
- I check my e-mail regularly on yahoo.com. My e-mail ID is [kiran@yahoo.com](mailto:kiran@yahoo.com)
- I also have yahoo messenger which helps me to chat online with my friends and relatives who also have this messenger.
- Sometimes I play games online.
- My favourite game is Word Racer.
- It is a vocabulary building game.
- I have learnt many new words through it.
- Yahoo answers is a forum on this site where you can ask any question and you will get replies from all over the world.
- Yahoo maps is a link on this site through which you can locate any place of the world.
- There is also an astrology link on this site.
- You can do a lot of online shopping at yahoo.
- You can search for jobs at yahoo jobs. You can read the latest news and the latest advertisements.
- There is something for everyone on this site. I think this is a complete site in itself.

**Favourite room**

- **The room in our house, I like the best, is our kitchen.**
- **Perhaps, the kitchen is the most important room in many houses but it is particularly so in my house because it is not only where we cook and eat but it is also where friends and family meet.**
- **I have many happy memories of time spent here.**
- **Ordinary daily events such as making breakfast, lunch and dinner or special occasions such as a birthday party etc.**
- **Whenever we have a party people gravitate to the kitchen.**
- **It always ends up the fullest and the noisiest room in the whole house.**
- **The room is not huge but big enough to hold a rectangular four-seater table in the centre.**
- **There is a large window above the sink looking out onto the huge Amaltas tree in the garden.**
- **There is a four burner gas stove at one end and a plate rack on the other .**
- **All our friends come directly in the kitchen and join in whatever is happening there.**
- **No doubt some of the best time of my life has been spent in the kitchen.**

**Place with lots of water****Anjana Beach ( a visit to a sea shore )**

- India is a diverse country.
- There are many places with lots of water.
- When it comes to beach holidays in India the choice is endless.
- After all India has a coastline of more than 7000 Km.
- The beach I am going to talk about here is Anjuna beach at Goa.
- I went there with my parents in the month of December.
- It was my school winter vacation and my parents had planned this holiday for us.
- We went by train to Goa and stayed in a hotel at Panaji
- I vividly remember the name of the hotel
- It was hotel Delmon
- It was a ten day holiday including the travel period
- My father had meticulously planned the holiday within his budget
- Every morning there was a bus from the hotel which left at sharp 9 a m
- It took us to various beaches and churches of Goa
- The beaches I remember are Anjana, Donna Paula and Calangute
- I liked Anjana beach the most
- I remember the foreign tourists sun bathing under the swaying palm leaves
- We too enjoyed the waves touching our feet
- I collected some shells and even caught a small starfish.
- The day we went there was a flea-market where we saw cute looking Kashmiri and Tibetan women selling all kinds of junk jewellery and clothes
- I too bought a T-shirt from there
- After this we went to the Calangute beach
- There was too much rush on the beach
- I remember my father took us quite far into the water
- I was very afraid but my father held my hand
- My mother was quite happy clicking photographs from the shore
- I can never forget this holiday
- I shall definitely like to go there again

**A place with lots of water ( Sukhna lake)**

- **There are a number of places in India with lots of water.**
- **There are lakes and rivers and sea-shores.**
- **The lake I am going to talk about here is Sukhna Lake.**
- **It is in Chandigarh.**
- **It is the greatest gift from le Corbusier to the people of Chandigarh.**
- **The lake is fringed by a golf course to the south and Nek Chand's famous Rock Garden to its west.**
- **It is a man-made lake.**
- **It was made in 1958.**
- **The people of Chandigarh love Sukhna.**
- **It is a venue for many festive celebrations.**
- **The most famous is mango festival which is held during monsoon where varieties of mangoes are on display.**
- **This is also a spot for bird watchers.**
- **The children enjoy a number of joy rides and a mini train.**
- **In the evenings Sukhna comes alive with tourists.**
- **I like it because of its picturesque beauty.**
- **As night descends, the lights from the hills of Kasauli present a bewitching sight.**

**An activity you would like to do more often**

- Well, something I would like to do especially if I am feeling a bit stressed, is to go out for a walk.
- I already go for walks but I would like to do it more often.
- I usually go for a long walk, but I do not rush, I just walk at a normal speed.
- Because I find if I walk fast it doesn't relax me.
- I quite often go out for a walk in the evening, if I've had a hectic day since morning.
- It is much better than just sitting in front of the television in the evening, or something like that.
- Or sometimes I go for a long walk at the weekend, if it's been a really bad week.
- I usually go to the park.
- Or I walk down the side streets near my house.
- I don't like walking on the main road.
- Because of the noise, you end up even more stressed.
- I really love walking.
- I find it very relaxing.
- It always makes me feel better afterwards.
- I am not sure why.
- I think one thing is the change of place.
- It sort of slows me down.
- And it is good just getting out of the house and being out of doors.
- It helps me to, kind of, get things into perspective, you know.
- And finally, I meet so many people- neighbours-on the way.
- It sort of build up a community spirit.
- So I would like to go walking daily

### **My Hobbies**

- **My hobbies are watching TV, listening to music and doing a little bit of gardening.**
- **Whenever I'm tired , I listen to music.**
- **I like all types of music.**
- **When I listen to music, all my worries and tensions fly away.**
- **Whenever I get free time, I do some gardening also.**
- **I have a kitchen garden in the back of my house and a small lawn in the front.**
- **I talk to my plants, share my joys and sorrows with them, I get a feeling that they are listening to me.**
- **Sometimes I gift a vegetable or a flower to my neighbours as a token of my love.**
- **I also watch TV whenever I can grab time.**
- **My favourite channel is Animal Planet.**
- **I like this channel mainly because I am an animal lover.**
- **Every time I switch on the TV and watch this channel, I get a new word of English.**
- **In this way it improves my vocabulary also.**

### **Favourite Magazine**

- **My favourite magazine is “The Readers Digest”.**
- **It is a monthly.**
- **It is an international magazine.**
- **The editor of the magazine is Mohan Sivanand.**
- **I like this magazine because it is not a magazine to be read and throw away.**
- **It is a collectible.**
- **I have collected many past issues of the magazine in my personal library.**
- **There are many regular features of the magazine.**
- **The feature I like the most is ‘word power’.**
- **It gives me 20 new words of English every month with their meaning and antonyms.**
- **It helps me to improve my vocabulary.**
- **The other regular features are “laughter is the best medicine”, ‘life is like that’ and ‘humour in uniform’**
- **All these articles contain jokes and humours which are as fresh as fresh fruits and vegetables.**
- **There are also many quotable quotes in this magazine.**
- **Another article I like is “The reader’s choice”**
- **It runs for 15-20 pages.**
- **It contains a true story or an abridged form of a novel.**
- **All these articles are very inspiring.**
- **Reading this magazine relaxes me.**
- **This magazine is entertaining and educative.**
- **Everybody in my house reads it.**
- **This magazine has something for everybody.**



**A time when you were stuck in a traffic jam**

- Traffic jams are very common now-a-days
- Every person seems to own a vehicle now-a-days
- The problem is worse in big cities like Bombay and Delhi
- Traffic moves at a snail's pace during peak hours
- Once I had gone to Jalandhar
- On my way back I got stuck in a traffic jam
- It was two days before Gurupurab, the birthday of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji
- A huge procession was going on
- We call it the Nagar Kirtan
- It was a 2 km long procession
- There were hundreds of people on tractors and trolleys
- On one trolley, the holy book of Sikhs, Guru Granth Sahib was there
- People were paying obeisance to the book
- Because of the procession we were stuck in the procession for two hours
- It was very hot
- We could not budge an inch forward or backward
- Nor we could leave our car
- All people around us were very restless
- Finally we heaved a sigh of relief when the traffic started moving

**An animal you like the most (Strange/ seen for the first time)- Elephant**

- India is a diverse country
- There are many types of animals found in India
- There are pet animals, domestic animals and wild animals
- Here I am going to talk about an animal which I saw for the first time in Mini zoo at Chandigarh.
- OR
- An animal I like the most is an elephant.
- OR
- Here I am going to talk about an animal which I find strange
- It is the elephant
- The elephants are the biggest land animals.
- They are herbivorous and can be identified because of their trunk.
- The trunk is the projection of their nose and the upper lips.
- There are two types of elephants, the Indian and the African.
- African elephants are bigger than their Indian counterparts.
- They have comparatively larger ears.
- Among the African elephants both the males and females have tusks whereas, only the males among the Indian elephants have tusks and so they are called tuskers.
- The back of the Indian elephants are convex whereas that of the African elephants are concave.
- Indian elephants can be tamed and they are more beautiful.
- Elephants are gregarious animals and live in herds headed by tuskers.
- They have a well structured family life.
- The young ones, called the calf, are looked after by the cow elephants.
- Their cry is called trumpet.
- In India, elephants are captured, tamed and used for various purposes.
- Elephants are among the few animals whose existence is not endangered till now.

**An animal you like the most (Strange/ seen for the first time)- Snakes**

- **India is a diverse country**
- **There are many types of animals found in India**
- **There are pet animals, domestic animals and wild animals**
- **Here I am going to talk about an animal which I saw for the first time in a park near my home**
- **It was a huge big snake, black in colour and about 4 feet long**
- **Many people gathered around it.**
- **A snake charmer was called and he played an instrument and then very deftly caught the snake in a box and went away.**
- **Snakes are beautiful animals.**
- **They are reptiles.**
- **Unlike the other reptiles, snakes have no limbs; so they crawl.**
- **Their body is covered with scales and they shed their skin once in a while and this is called moulting.**
- **There are two types of snakes, the poisonous and the non-poisonous.**
- **Most of the snakes are non-poisonous.**
- **Snakes feed on small birds, frogs, rodents etc.**
- **The poisonous snakes use their poison to kill the prey.**
- **But the others wind around the victim to kill them.**
- **Such snakes are called constrictors.**
- **Cobra, vipers and krait are poisonous snakes whereas python and rat-snakes are harmless.**
- **Snakes are not our foes but are friends because they eat away the rodents like rats who are a great enemy of man.**
- **We should not kill snakes.**

**What you like to wear on special occasions (boys)**

- **Special occasions are there in everyone's life**
- **When the special occasion is a birthday party or a get-together with friends then we all wear jeans, t-shirts and or anything in which we feel comfortable**
- **When the special occasion is a wedding or an anniversary or a formal dinner, then I wear formal clothes**
- **The dress I am going to talk about here is a traditional sherwani and a churidar pyjama which I wore on my sister's wedding**
- **I bought it from Frontier Cloth house**
- **It is a black sherwani with golden buttons and maroon embroidery**
- **It also has a silken stole to go with it**
- **It is studded with golden beads**
- **It has a very traditional ethnic touch to it**
- **It is a very beautiful dress**
- **The stole is in crinkled silk**
- **It has golden lining**
- **I bought matching accessories also**
- **I bought traditional Punjabi shoes to go with it**
- **Everyone complimented me**
- **They said that I looked very handsome**
- **I was on cloud nine**

**What you like to wear on special occasions (girls)**

- **Special occasions are there in everyone's life**
- **When the special occasion is a birthday party or a get-together with friends then we all wear jeans, t-shirts and or anything in which we feel comfortable**
- **When the special occasion is a wedding or an anniversary or a formal dinner, then I wear formal clothes**
- **The dress I am going to talk about here is a traditional Punjabi suit which I wore on my sister's wedding**
- **I bought it from Frontier Cloth house**
- **It is a bottle green suit with magenta and golden embroidery**
- **It also has a multicoloured stole to go with it which has a golden lace on all sides**
- **It is studded with golden beads**
- **It has a very traditional ethnic touch to it**
- **It is a very beautiful suit**
- **The stole is in crinkled silk**
- **I bought matching accessories also**
- **I bought a golden beaded purse and traditional Punjabi shoes to go with it**
- **Everyone complimented me**
- **They said that I looked very beautiful**
- **I was on cloud nine**

**Favourite building/ historic building/**

- **India has a rich historic background.**
- **There are many buildings worth seeing in my country.**
- **Here I'm going to talk about the Taj Mahal.**
- **It is in Agra, on the banks of Yamuna river.**
- **It is one of the most flawless architectural creations of the world.**
- **It is one of the seven wonders of the world.**
- **In fact it has been ranked as the first of the seven wonders.**
- **It is a magnificent building built of white marble.**
- **Mughal Emperor Shahjahan got it built in the loving memory of his beloved wife Mumtaz. About 20,000 workers put in their best efforts for 17 long years to complete this masterpiece. The hands of the master mason were cut off after completion of the building so that such a building could not be made again.**
- **I first saw it 7 years ago when I went with my school tour.**
- **I was awe-struck to see the picturesque beauty in front of my eyes.**
- **The tombs of Shahjahan and Mumtaz lie in the basement.**
- **I like it because it gives an identity to India in the world.**
- **I am proud to be a part of a country with such historic background.**
- **Tourists from all over the world flock to see this ultimate memorial of love and few are unmoved by its incomparable beauty.**

**Something you did not want to learn earlier but now you want to**

- **Interests and hobbies keep changing over time**
- **This happened with me too**
- **I was a real technophobe**
- **I had no interest in learning about computer**
- **Even in school I used to run away from this subject**
- **Even in school when I had to choose an optional subject I chose Physical education**
- **Few months ago I went to my cousin's house**
- **He was sitting in front of the computer and doing voice chatting with his friends abroad**
- **I too started chatting**
- **I saw that my cousin was very comfortable with the use of computer**
- **I felt very bad because I was completely computer illiterate**
- **Even my seven year old niece was playing games on the computer and handling the key-board and mouse very nicely**
- **She made me feel like a real nut**
- **I was ashamed of myself**
- **The very next day I joined the computer basics class**
- **Seeing my interest in computers my parents bought me a computer of my own**
- **Now I have an internet connection also**
- **I have my e-mail ID and I send and receive e-mails from my friends**
- **I also chat with them**
- **It has improved my English also**
- **I am a technophile now**
- **I feel more confident now**

**A course you would like to do in future**

- I course I would like to take up is dancing
- It is something I really wish to learn
- Whenever there is any get-together or party, I really feel envious of those who can dance well
- They seem to add life to the party.
- The others feel left out
- India is a diverse country
- So many genres of dance are there like Kathak, Bharat-Natyam, Kuchipudi, Bhangra, Giddha and the Modern dance which is a blend of the above with the western dance.
- I would like to learn the steps of Punjabi folk dances Bhangra and Giddha first
- These steps blend well with the modern film songs played at marriages and parties
- Folk dances keep us connected with our culture and tradition
- They also bring people together
- Dancing brings grace and co-ordination to the body
- Dancing keeps us physically and mentally fit
- Now-a-days we lead sedentary lives because machines do most of our work
- So dancing is a good way to work-out
- Dancing brings out our creativity and by learning dances of other cultures we can learn about them
- If I learn dance nicely then maybe I get a chance to be in one of the talent shows and become famous overnight
- So definitely dance is a skill I would like to learn
- Moreover, now-a-days choreographers are earning handsome money
- Maybe I could turn it into a profession one day



### **A concert or a live performance**

- **Now-a-days there is a dominance of recorded music, so concerts are very uncommon these days**
- **Now again they are gaining popularity**
- **I belong to a small town, Phagwara**
- **Not many concerts take place here**
- **This year, in January, a concert was held in a town near my home town to promote Gurdas Man's latest album, Boot Polishan**
- **It was a promotional concert, so the entry ticket was very low**
- **My friends and I decided to go to the concert**
- **Gurdas Man is my favourite singer**
- **We all reached there well in time because the choice of the seating was on a first-come first-serve basis**
- **I tell you, it was an electrifying experience**
- **We kept on shouting encore! Encore! and he kept on performing**
- **Watching a live performance and that too of my favourite singer was something that I had never dreamt of**
- **It was a dream-come-true for me**
- **Towards the end of the performance we all went on the stage and danced with him**
- **We even clicked some photographs and captured some videos.**

**An advice you gave someone**

- **Man is a social animal**
- **When we live in society we give and receive many advices from others.**
- **Here I am going to talk about an advice which I gave to my cousin Noor**
- **He is very fat.**
- **A real couch potato**
- **I advised him to learn dance**
- **I advised him to to learn the steps of Punjabi folk dances Bhangra and Giddha first**
- **These steps blend well with the modern film songs played at marriages and parties**
- **Folk dances keep us connected with our culture and tradition**
- **They also bring people together**
- **Dancing brings grace and co-ordination to the body**
- **Dancing keeps us physically and mentally fit**
- **Other forms of exercise can get very boring**
- **So dancing is a good way to work-out**
- **Dancing brings out our creativity and by learning dances of other cultures we can learn about them**
- **I told him that if he learned dance nicely then maybe he would get a chance to be in one of the talent shows and become famous overnight**
- **So definitely dance is a skill he should learn**
- **Moreover, now-a-days choreographers are earning handsome money**
- **Maybe he could turn it into a profession one day**
- **You know what he followed my advice and today he has a very slim and smart figure**
- **Moreover he is the life of all parties**

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**A house you've been to ( not your own )**

**I have been to many houses – of my friends, of my relatives, but here I would like to talk about a house which I visit frequently.**

**It is the house of my best friend Rahul**

**It is a very beautiful house.**

**It is on the GT Road in my home town only.**

**It is a two storeyed red brick house.**

**On the outside there are two palm trees where lots of birds have made their nests**

**They have a very well-maintained lawn on the front.**

**There are beautiful flowers in the garden**

**All the members of his family are so hospitable that you feel at home there**

**The interiors have also been decorated very nicely**

**On the wall just in front of the main door there is a big family photograph in which my friend and his whole family is there**

**My friend belongs to a joint family.**

**There are six bedrooms in the house.**

**All are very spacious and well-lit.**

**All members of his family have a close bonding with each other.**

**The best thing I like about his family is that they all eat dinner together.**

**They have a kitchen garden in the back yard where they grow fresh vegetables.**

**I frequently go to his house because his mother is a great cook and she makes delicious pizza**

**I am very attached to that family that is why I go to their house very often.**

### **A piece of music you heard in childhood**

- Well, ma'am, music is all around us and it accompanies everything of life.
- Right from the first lullaby that the mother sings to the cradle to the dirge of the funeral pyre, music accompanies everything of life
- Here I am going to talk about a piece of music which I heard in my childhood and I like it even today
- It is our national anthem 'Jana Gana Mana'
- It was composed originally in Bengali by Rabindra Nath Tagore
- Its Hindi version is our National Anthem
- It was adopted as the national anthem on 24<sup>th</sup> January 1950
- The complete song has five stanzas
- The first stanza was taken as the National Anthem
- The playing time of National Anthem is 52 seconds
- I first heard the National Anthem in my school days
- I like this song a lot because it is our National Anthem
- It evokes a feeling of patriotism in me
- It is an identity of my nation
- Whenever this song is played, all Indians stand up in respect
- It is played in the morning assembly of all schools
- It is on the lips of each and every Indian
- I know this song by heart

### **Changes in your life( Aastha Sardana)**

- **Change is the only thing that is constant. Every second there is some change. It is the law of the nature.**
- **Speaking about my life lots of changes have occurred ...**
- **Earlier say about 3-4 years I was a total pessimist person with no dreams, desires ,expectations and aim.**
- **My life was dull with no charm...u can say I was not living my life I was just dragging it and the reason was the failure in studies. Because of which I lost the hope of achieving success even in the future. I lost my social circle also and started living alone..**
- **It is a saying that relationship is a big responsibility and a challenge which overcomes your solitude and same thing happened to me.**
- **My parents who have always been my backbone supported to withdraw me from that solitary shell.**
- **And thanks a ton to them that now I have become optimist and positive in my life, ready to face all the challenges and obstacles.**
- **One more drastic change I would like to talk about is regarding my health. During my childhood I was a couch potato , plump child.. I was pampered a lot. And used to eat as if I had to break some records.**
- **But as I grew up I became health conscious I do yoga daily and I have maintained myself and feel energetic and active.**
- **Earlier I was not responsible towards my family but now I understand the duties of an elder child.**
- **I can take my decisions , have become independent and concerned for my career as compared to the time when I was least bothered for this.**
- **So these are the few changes in my life which changed my perception, my thinking and me as a responsible human being.**

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**A gift you have given**

- **I have given and received many gifts in my life**
- **Here I am going to talk about a gift which I gave to my younger brother on her eighteenth birthday.**
- **It was a mobile phone.**
- **He had always wanted a mobile phone.**
- **But my parents would not buy him one**
- **I saved all my pocket money for five to six months to buy this mobile**
- **It cost me Rs 2800**
- **It is a small mobile – a Samsung X-210 model**
- **It is black rectangular and a folder type model**
- **It has many features like watch, calculator, FM radio, alarm, timer and a memory card to store phone numbers**
- **It does not have a camera but all the other features are very useful**
- **I was overjoyed to see the happy look on my brother's face when I gave him the mobile**

**An equipment you use other than a computer ( mobile phone)**

- We use many things in our day to day life.
- An equipment I use other than the computer is a mobile phone
- My father gifted me this mobile phone when I passed my 10<sup>th</sup> class with good marks
- It is a small mobile – a Samsung X-210 model
- It is black in colour, rectangular and slips into my pocket easily
- It is a folder type model.
- It has many features like watch, calculator, FM radio, alarm, timer and a memory card to store phone numbers
- It does not have a camera but all other features are very useful
- I can also play games on my mobile
- I value this phone a lot because my father worked overtime in his office to save money for this mobile
- He knew I had always wanted one
- I never misuse it
- I use it to stay connected with my family when I am away from home
- Many new models of mobile phones have come in the market but in my eyes this is and will always be the best mobile phone
- My heart skips a beat even at the thought of losing it or parting with it

### **Library**

- **Well, ma'am/sir a library is a collection of books and other sources of information.**
- **Earlier libraries only housed books and magazines, but today's libraries have all sorts of modern sources of information like CDs, DVDs and internet apart from books.**
- **Here I am going to talk about my school library**
- **It is a big library and has around 3000 books**
- **Our school principal was very particular that all students go at least once to the library.**
- **So, we had a library period once a week**
- **We could also get books issued once a week and return them after a week**
- **There were magazines and all sorts of story books, novels and academic books.**
- **It was a very enjoyable experience to be there amidst all sorts of books**
- **This also encouraged our general reading habit**
- **This library was very useful especially when we had to make projects for our arts and science fairs**
- **I remember, once I had to prepare an assignment on global warming**
- **I got all the material from the library**
- **The library also had two computers with internet connection**



**Describe a successful experience**

- **Life is full of experiences .**
- **Some experiences are successful and in some you are not so lucky**
- **But all experiences teach valuable lessons of life**
- **Here I am going to talk about one experience which was very successful**
- **It so happened that my uncle and aunt had come from America with their daughter**
- **They were looking for a suitable match for their daughter**
- **Fortunately they found a match and the wedding was fixed.**
- **There were only 10 days for the entire preparation**
- **They were worried as to how the preparations could be done in such short notice.**
- **But I took the charge and helped my uncle in all preparations**
- **We jotted down the work and distributed duties**
- **Then we booked the marriage palace, the caterers, the decorators, the DJ and the hotel rooms for guests**
- **My aunt and my mother took charge of the shopping for the bride and groom**
- **Everything was planned so meticulously that all enjoyed the wedding**
- **We had looked into the minutest detail**
- **Even my parents were surprised at the way I had planned things**
- **Since then I have come to be known as the event organiser in my family**
- **Now, whenever there is any function everyone comes to me for suggestions**
- **I feel very happy when I do something for them**

**A Radio or TV programme you like to talk to others with**

- Now-a-days there is a multitude of TV channels and a plethora of programmes on TV
- The one programme I am going to talk about here is Office-Office
- It is my all time favourite
- In fact all my family members enjoy this sitcom together.
- Later on I discuss this with my friends too.
- We all have a good laugh at the serial the next day.
- It is a must watch
- Earlier it was on SAB TV but now it is telecast on Star-One
- Its time is 10-10.30 pm
- The sitcom is about the trials and tribulations of the common man in the government offices
- The roles of the government office workers are named – Bhatia, Pandey ji, Patel, Shukla and Usha ji
- Bhatia is always hungry and asks for eatables whenever Mussaddi comes to him to get his work done
- Patel has his funda of ‘do baatein ho jayengi’ meaning two things can happen
- Usha uses Mussaddi to get her household works done like getting the string twirled into a ball etc
- Pandey ji doesn’t speak till a ji is put after his name. no one can call him Pandey or Pandey Beta
- Shukla is a paan eater and provides comedy by spitting paan on the floor even if someone is sitting there
- Mussaddi has to run from one person to another and visits these five people almost every day to get his work done.
- At the end of the serial there is a lesson as to what should have been done.

**A childhood toy** (Talk about toy you had as a child, you should say - Why its important? - What toy was that? - How much time you spent playing with that toy? )

- **I had many toys in my childhood but here I am going to talk about my electric toy car.**
- **My father gifted it to me on my 11<sup>th</sup> birthday.**
- **I used to spend hours playing with it.**
- **I was greatly fascinated by it**
- **It is red in colour**
- **It worked with four pen torch batteries fixed in a box under the car**
- **When I switched it on it would move in all directions**
- **If there was an obstacle on the way then the car could change directions**
- **Along with that it had lights which flickered at times.**
- **I was so fascinated by this car that I used to finish its batteries very soon.**
- **I used to show it to my friends with pride**
- **Even though I don't play with the car any more I still have it in my room**
- **It brings back nostalgic memories of my childhood**

### **Good Cook You Met In Life**

- **I met many persons in my life.**
- **But here I am going to talk about one person who is my friend's mother.**
- **One day my friend invited me to dinner.**
- **There were so many dishes on the dining table.**
- **I was surprised when my friend told that all dishes were prepared by her mother.**
- **They included traditional Punjabi dishes like makki di roti and sarso ka saag and rice pudding.**
- **It was such a sumptuous dinner.**
- **I kept licking my fingers.**
- **My friend also told that she can cook Chinese food, Italian food, fast food and bake cakes also.**
- **I was really surprised.**
- **I learnt a few recipes from her.**
- **She gave me some very nice kitchen tips.**
- **I tried baking a cake that she taught me.**
- **It did not come out very good.**
- **I think cooking is an art and few people are gifted.**
- **My friend's mother has a gifted hand in cooking.**

### **Stage Of Life**

- **Life is full of stages like childhood, adulthood and old age but the stage I like the most is childhood.**
- **All stages have their positive and negative sides.**
- **I think childhood is the most colorful age of anyone's life.**
- **We have no worries, no tensions and no responsibilities.**
- **Childhood is the period of innocence.**
- **It is the period of learning.**
- **I remember I was very naughty.**
- **I was a very chubby child.**
- **Everybody used to pick at my cheeks.**
- **I used to play hide and seek with my friends in the street and I remember I used to hide myself in the oldest of places.**
- **Nobody could find me.**
- **One day I hid myself in the almirah and I remember I could not open it.**
- **It was a huge almirah.**
- **I fell asleep.**
- **After a long time ,my mother opened the almirah and found me in it.**
- **There were so many people in the house looking for me.**
- **I was the centre of attraction.**
- **I could not understand why my parents were so happy but I felt very important.**
- **I loved to eat rice pudding made by my mother.**
- **I remember she used to make it for me.**
- **I also threw tantrums when I wanted something and I remember I always got what I wanted.**
- **In school I was very naughty and I had lots of friends.**

### **Favourite Season**

- **India is a diverse country. We namely enjoy four seasons i.e. summer, winter, autumn and spring.**
- **Because of global warming summer season is extended and we have summer for almost six months a year.**
- **My favourite season is however winter.**
- **Winter lasts from December to February.**
- **The climate is pleasant, energetic, soothing and dry.**
- **Another reason to like winter season is that there are a lot of seasonal fruits and vegetables which can be healthy and tasty.**
- **I also like to wear woolen clothes, which I can wear during this season only.**
- **I generally go to visit different places in the winter vacations only.**
- **I also look forward to the New year celebrations with my friends.**
- **Nights are very long in the winters and I love to sleep till late in the morning especially at weekends.**
- **In summers we sweat a lot and there are so many power cuts , so I don't like summers.**
- **Trees shed of their leaves in autumn ,a very gloomy season.**
- **Spring is also a wonderful season.**
- **Everywhere there are blooming flowers and the weather is also generally very pleasant.**
- **In spring generally my exams are near and so my favourite season remains winter.**

**Describe A Landscape**

- Well ma'am, a landscape is an area of space we look at from a given point.
- There are 2 types of landscapes - natural and man made.
- India is a diverse country and there is a diversity of natural landscapes also found in India.
- There are the mountains ,valleys ,plains, plateaus and deserts in India.
- Here I am going to talk about the landscape surrounding Sukhna lake at Chandigarh.
- Actually Chandigarh is a very contrasting mix of concrete and greens.
- For instance you have the complex of sector 17 and then you have the Sukhna lake.
- You can see the waters of Sukhna lake in the foreground with the picturesque Kasauli hills in the background.
- Very often you can see people boating in the lake.
- Other activities can also be seen.

### **Holidays In Your Country**

- **Holidays bring a break from one's work.**
- **They break the monotony to day to day life.**
- **India is a diverse country.**
- **There are many holidays in India.**
- **There are national holidays like the Independence day on 15<sup>th</sup> August, the Republic day on 26<sup>th</sup> January and the Gandhi Jayanti on 2<sup>nd</sup> October.**
- **Then there are local or public holidays on each state like Lohri in Punjab, Baisakhi in Punjab, Onam in Kerala, Pongal in Tamil Nadu and so on.**
- **Apart from that there are school holidays like summer and winter vacations.**
- **There are also holidays related to religions like Diwali, related to Hindu, Gurupurabs for Sikhs, Christmas for Christians and Id for Muslims.**
- **No doubt India is a diverse country but people spend all these religious event together.**
- **So, there is unity in diversity in India.**
- **People spend their holidays in a number of ways.**
- **Some relax at home and do their pending works.**
- **Some go to hill stations.**
- **Some go to religious places.**
- **Some go to beaches.**
- **Some go to historical places.**
- **Young people also like white water rafting and bungee jumping.**



### **Sporting event**

- **Sporting events are very common now-a-days**
- **My favourite game is cricket**
- **So, here I am going to talk about a sporting event which I saw in the cricket stadium at Mohali**
- **It was a one day match between India and Pakistan**
- **My uncle had arranged passes for us**
- **I had watched many matches on TV but watching a match in the stadium was a different experience**
- **I had gone with three friends**
- **We cheered at every hit**
- **It was an electrifying experience**
- **Pakistan made 280 runs in 50 overs**
- **India made 260 in 48 overs for the loss of 8 wickets**
- **In the 49<sup>th</sup> over India could make only 4 runs and lost another wicket**
- **Now we had 6 balls, one wicket and 16 runs to make to win**
- **There was silence in the whole stadium**
- **Many people left the stadium**
- **It seemed we had lost the match but Harbhajan Singh shot a sixer in the first ball he faced and another four on the next ball**
- **The crowd got recharged again**
- **Then there were two dot balls**
- **Anything could happen**
- **Harbhajan made our day when he shot the next ball for a four**
- **The unbelievable had happened**
- **We had won**
- **It was the happiest moment of our lives**
- **We went to sector 17 to do some shopping and returned home at night**

### **Good news that you received through phone**

- Well madam, Telephone is ubiquitous nowadays and it is the most common method of communication.
- I have received many news through phone.
- Here I am going to talk about a news which I received last month.
- It was about my cousin's wedding.
- My uncle called and told me that Varun, my cousin's wedding has been fixed for May 21<sup>st</sup>.
- The best part of the news was that the marriage is to take place in India.
- You know my uncle lives in America. He moved to America with his family 5 years ago since then he never came to India.
- I was so happy on hearing the news that I jumped up with joy.
- I am looking forward to this wedding.
- They are going to stay with us only.
- My cousin Varun is 4 years older to me but we are very good friends.
- My parents have started making arrangements for the wedding.
- The marriage palace has been booked.
- The caterers have been booked.
- Shopping for clothes has been started.
- I have also bought a .....

### **A Memorable Journey**

- I have travelled a lot in my life. I've been to Delhi, Mumbai and Goa.
- Here I am going to talk about my most memorable journey. It was from Kalakaji to Shimla on a toy train.
- Last year, my brother (cousin) came from Italy after many years.
- We decided to show him a hill station.
- We have five days to spare and we chose Shimla.
- We went by car to Kalakaji and from there we had one of the most beautiful train journeys that one can have.
- We were four in all. My father, my mother, my cousin and I.
- The journey was about 90 kms long.
- It was on a toy train called Shivalik Deluxe Express.
- The toy train passes through 103 tunnels.
- One of the tunnels, at Barog, is about 1km long.
- The train stopped at Barog for 10 minutes. Most of the passengers got down. My cousin and I also got down but my parents kept sitting in the train.
- We were given breakfast food packets at Barog.
- There were many honeymooning couples also in the train.
- The speed of the train is 25 km/ hour and it takes 5 hours to reach Shimla.
- I would call them 5 beautiful hours because one can see some spectacular beauty of the hills on the way.
- During most of the journey the valley is on the right of the train.
- On the way we can see Solan Brewery and many passenger stops.
- We all enjoyed a lot during the journey.
- We stayed at Shimla for three days. We roamed at the Mall.
- We also saw the Scandal point and next day we saw Jakhu Temple.
- Third day we relaxed at hotel and did some shopping.
- We came back also on the train till Kalakaji.

Or you can start like this-

I haven't travelled a lot but yes, one journey I made to Shimla which is very memorable for me. I am going to talk about it here.

**My Ambition( doctor)**

- **My ambition is to become a doctor because I want the people to be healthy so they can contribute to the development of the nation.**
- **I think it is important for everyone to have an ambition when they are young.**
- **An ambition gives us a good goal to strive for and makes our lives meaningful.**
- **I passed my senior secondary with flying colours.**
- **It was my ambition which motivated me to study hard.**
- **Without ambition I doubt whether I could have achieved such success.**
- **It has been my ambition to become a doctor since I was eight.**
- **I am confident of realizing my ambition.**
- **I think I will encounter a heavy study load and financial problems but I will not be deterred by them.**
- **I am determined to succeed.**
- **I admire those whose devotion to their ambition has brought success.**

**My ambition ( Teacher )**

- **My ambition is to become a teacher.**
- **I would like to teach small children i.e. primary level students.**
- **First of all, I like being with young children.**
- **I am good at telling jokes and stories.**
- **Secondly, I am a very sensitive person. I am the first person to note if someone is sad or not feeling well.**
- **Since children don't always say what they feel.**
- **My sensitivity would make me a good teacher.**
- **I am also a very organised person.**
- **Children need to be organised too**
- **So, I can instil these values in my children.**
- **I know that I don't have a very high ambition but this is a very fulfilling ambition.**
- **I believe in enjoying what I do and at the same time I wish to do quality work.**
- **These children are our future.**
- **I aspire to would them to become good human beings tomorrow.**
- **I believe god has sent us all on this earth with a purpose.**
- **I hope I can fulfil this purpose by becoming a teacher.**

### **My Grandmother ( my childhood friend)**

- **I had many friends in childhood but here I am going to talk about my favourite childhood friend and that was my grandmother.**
- **When I was young I admired by grandmother for her strength and kindness.**
- **She was not very big.**
- **She was very thin and very tiny.**
- **She was strong though.**
- **She lived with us and did a lot of chores around his house.**
- **She and I would talk about everything.**
- **She was a very happy person and she was always smiling and joking.**
- **She often made me laugh.**
- **My grandmother was also very patient.**
- **She would listen to all my problems.**
- **She gave me very good advice whenever I needed it.**
- **I did not need to be a friend to tell her anything because she never got mad at me.**
- **She just listened and tried to help.**
- **I also liked to spend time with her because she had interesting stories to tell about her own childhood and experiences.**
- **When I was young my grandmother was my favourite friend.**

### **Local Park or Garden**

- **Parks are the most popular leisure places.**
- **My home town has many parks.**
- **A park that I am going to talk about here is Virender Park.**
- **It is named after Virender Deol, brother of famous film star Dharmender Deol.**
- **This is the most attractive and well maintained park of my home town.**
- **It is a big garden having one main gate and two side gates.**
- **It has a long jogging track that passes along the circumference of the garden.**
- **This offers maximum length to these who want to walk or jog.**
- **This park is full of activity in the mornings and in the evenings.**
- **This is frequented by people of all age groups.**
- **A number of octogenarians and centenarians of my home town can be seen here.**
- **On one side there are swings and see-saws for children.**
- **People go there to feel closeness with nature and relax after a hectic days work.**
- **It is a perfect park but I feel if a few more lights were but up it would be letter.**
- **Some dustbins should also be but up in the corner.**
- **Parks would be very popular in future because they provide cost free relaxation and pleasant atmosphere.**

### **Compare two buildings of your Home town**

- There are many buildings in my home town but the two I'm going to compare are Arjun Mall and Ansal Plaza.
- The reason why I have chosen these two is that both are my favourite places to visit and do shopping.
- Both are modern shopping malls built with up-to-date technology.
- Arjun Mall is situated in the heart of the city and Ansal Plaza is in the suburbs.
- Ansal Plaza is four times as spacious as Arjun Mall and is on the National highway. Arjun Mall has three storeys where as Ansal Plaza has four storeys.
- Arjun Mall has a small parking space for about 20-30 cars where as Ansal Plaza has a huge parking in the basement that can hold more than a 100 cars.
- Arjun Mall has a capsule lift where as Ansal Plaza has escalators and 4 lifts.
- Arjun Mall has a restaurant in the basement called Degchi where as Ansal Plaza has 3-4 food courts including Mc Donalds which is my favourite place to eat out.
- Arjun Mall's owners belong to Phagwara where as Ansal Plaza is a joint venture of some businessmen of Delhi and has many branches in India.
- Arjun Mall is frequented by locals of Phagwara but Ansal Plaza being on the highway is flocked by countless hordes of people.
- It also has many branded stores like Reebok and Nike.
- For my day to day shopping I go to Arjun Mall as it is very close to where I live but when I want to indulge myself I prefer to go to Ansal Plaza.



### **Compare home cooked meals and take-away foods**

- **Modern culture is a consumerist one.**
- **The attitude is of giving preference to convenience.**
- **No wonder that take-away food is in fashion and the era of globalisation has brought a lot of choices to our doorstep.**
- **There are advantages and disadvantages of both home cooked and take away foods.**
- **There is no doubt that home cooked food is healthier as it is cooked in good quality oil and under hygienic conditions whereas take away food is commercially prepared and so compromise is done on the quality of cooking oil.**
- **Moreover it has more of carbohydrates and fats and has artificial colourants and preservatives.**
- **Home cooked food is easily digested and salts and spices can be added according to taste.**
- **Home cooked meals are economical as compared to take away meals and nothing goes waste because you can keep the left overs in the fridge to be consumed later.**
- **There are some disadvantages of home cooked meals also.**
- **For instance, it is time consuming to cook at home and there is a lot of cleaning up to do after the meal is over.**
- **The time constrained people prefer take away meals where as the health conscious prefer home cooked food.**

**Compare learning as a child and as an adult**

- Throughout life man keeps on learning. Learning as a child and learning as an adult has a lot of differences.
- Attendance is mandatory as a child whereas it is voluntary as an adult.
- Study is subject centered as a child but is problem centred in adulthood.
- Children are dependent learners whereas adults are independent learners.
- Children are inexperienced learners whereas adults are experienced learners.
- In school it is teacher prescribed content but in college it is learner prescribed content.
- In school learners are grouped by age level or ability but in adulthood learners are grouped by interest or needs.
- In childhood learning is meant for the future whereas in adulthood learning is for the now.
- In childhood learners are subordinate to the teachers whereas in adulthood learners are equal to teachers.
- Child learning has a rigid traditional structure whereas adult learning has flexible alternative structure
- Children are passive learners but adults are active learners

**Compare high school learning and college/ university learning**

- **The transition from high school to college can be a challenge, regardless of how strong a student you are. Things in college are just different and they are different in every way.**
- **high school is required and less costly whereas college is voluntary and generally costly**
- **in high school teachers and parents usually structure your time but in college you must learn to manage your own time**
- **in school you get homework which is checked by the teachers whereas in college you are given assignments and it is assumed that you have done your work**
- **in school teachers approach you and offer extra help if you need but in college professors are willing to help you but you have to approach them first**
- **school teachers follow textbook by the letter but in college professor may not follow any textbook by the letter.**
- **teacher student ratio is usually less in school but in college it is variable**
- **in school effort counts but in college results count**
- **regular parent contact is there in school but is not so in college**

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### **Compare watching TV and going to movies**

#### **Advantages of TV**

- 1. choice**
- 2. your own time**
- 3. you are not bound to watch the commercials**
- 4. if you don't like a programme you can switch the channel**
- 5. comfort of the home sofa**
- 6. cheaper**

#### **Disadvantages**

- 1. small screen**
- 2. new films not shown so soon on TV**
- 3. if you are out of home you can chill out with friends**

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### **Compare two drinks**

- **Thanks to the era of LPG ( liberalisation, privatisation, globalisation ) we have a mind-boggling choice of drinks available like fresh juices, fizzy drinks, energy drinks etc.**
- **The two drinks which I am going to compare here are fresh juices and fizzy drinks.**
- **Both quench our thirst and both are readily available.**
- **Both these drinks have lots of varieties.**
- **Fresh juices are healthful as they contain fibre, vitamins and minerals whereas fizzy drinks like coke and pepsi have some sugars, some chemicals and preservatives all of which are harmful.**
- **Many a times there have been articles in the papers that these drinks have insecticides and pesticides but somehow the vested interests of the promoters have overcome these obstacles and the sales were not affected.**
- **These drinks are cheaper as compared to juices and they are very popular with young generation.**
- **These drinks complement fast foods very well.**
- **Nowadays meals are usually accompanied by juices and drinks instead of water.**

### **Role of men and women in your country**

- It is relevant to remember that men and women are complementary to each other.
- It would be a different society if only both could lead a harmonious life. History tells us that throughout the Vedic period, women were given a place equal to men.
- But with the passage of time their position deteriorated and their status declined.
- Everyone is born male and female and so sex is biological and universal and cannot be changed.
- But every culture has its ways of valuing men and women and assigning them different roles, responsibilities and attributes.
- This socio cultural differentiation is called gender. Gender roles vary among cultures and can change over time.
- Men are usually seen as the head of the household and chief bread winner and woman seen as the nurturer and care giver.
- Men do not usually perform domestic and household tasks.
- Now the scenario is changing fast.
- Women have proved themselves both physically and intellectually equal to men.
- Kiran majumdar is a successful entrepreneur of Biocon.
- Kiran bedi is a high ranking police officer and Sunita Williams has been to space.

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### **Living at home and living away from home**

- Home plays a very important role in everybody's life. It may have the barest of luxuries but it is the most comfortable of all places.
- It has been rightly said that "east or west, home is the best".
- We feel most secure and protected in our own home.
- All our nears and dears are around us in rain and shine.
- Another factor is that food habits are affected for the worse when you are away from home.
- You have to cook for yourself and many a times you resort to fast foods which are not good for health.
- Finally when you are away from home you have to do other chores like washing etc. and study and work too at the same time.
- All this may adversely affect your health.
- There is a positive side to it all. You become independent and responsible.
- You realise your aim of life and learn to look at life from a different perspective.

**compare your country with another country**

- I am going to compare my country India with America.
- India is in Asia whereas America is part of North America continent.
- Size wise India is one third of America.
- India is bounded by Pakistan and Afghanistan on the North West, China, Bhutan and Nepal to the North, Myanmar to the east and Bangla Desh to the east of West Bengal.
- Whereas America is bounded by Canada on the north and Mexico on the south. India has the Bay of Bengal on the east, Arabian sea on the west and the Indian Ocean to the south whereas USA has Atlantic Ocean to its east and Pacific ocean to its west.
- India has 28 States whereas USA has 52 provinces and States.
- USA has three time zones whereas India has only one time zone.
- The history of India dates back to 5000 years whereas that of America dates back to 400 years roughly.
- The climate of both India and America varies from east to west and north to south.
- Both are democratic countries.
- Family structure in India is mostly extended family system whereas in America nuclear families are the norm.
- In India old age homes are becoming popular now whereas in America they are very common.
- India has a rich cultural heritage whereas America enjoys the culture of people from different parts of the world.



### **Compare two kinds of music**

- **Music is food for the soul.**
- **It is a panacea for the mind.**
- **Music helps in improving memory.**
- **Kids can rattle off the entire range of alphabet in a song but cant remember them without tune.**
- **This is because music functions are controlled by different sections of the brain than speech.**
- **Music is everywhere.**
- **It is in the rustling of the leaves, the chirping of the birds and the beating of your heart.**
- **Right from the first lullaby a mother sings to the cradle to the dirge of the funeral pyre, music accompanies everything.**
- **The two types of music I am going to describe are the classical and the modern music.**
- **Original classic music has two forms – the Hindustani or the north Indian and the south Indian. Modern music comprises remixes, fusions, film music and indi pop.**
- **Classical is considered boring by the younger generation as they consider it too slow. Modern music is enjoyed by people in every nook and corner.**
- **This is a sort of world music. Thanks to globalisation.**
- **Remixes – in these, old tunes are blended with faster beats. More popular with younger generation. Generally played at discos and parties.**
- **Fusion – Indian classical is mixed with western to create music of east and west.**
- **Film music – there is a clear difference in songs of 40s and 80s. this is popular with all ages.**
- **Indi pop – Indian version of western pop.**
- **Enjoying music is a personal journey. It purely depends on the moods.**
- **Folk music – a music of the people.**
- **Something that everyone can relate to via some sort of common experience.**

**compare tea and coffee**

- Both are beverages.
- Both can be drunk hot and cold.

**Differences**

- History – the history of tea began thousands of years ago to about 2700 B.C.
- whereas the history of coffee dates back to 674 A.D.
- Health benefits – research shows that green tea may prevent cancer, high Blood pressure (hypertension), blood sugar (diabetes), skin diseases etc.
- whereas coffee shows no such benefits.
- contents – tea has approximately 55mg of caffeine per cup whereas coffee has 125 – 185 mg of caffeine per cup.
- tea is cheaper whereas coffee is costlier
- tea culture is peaceful and tranquil whereas coffee culture is fast paced and frantic

**Family life in your country and another country**

- **The scenario of family life is different in different countries.**
- **Here I am going to compare the family life of India with USA.**
- **India is a country known for its unity in diversity.**
- **India is known for its innumerable and varied cultures that inhabit various regions of the country.**
- **On the whole joint family and extended family is still very popular although nuclear families are growing in numbers.**
- **In America however, nuclear families are ubiquitous.**
- **Here in India, if you are going through a hard time, your family members and relatives stand by you.**
- **In India children live with and are supported by their parents till they have to go away for job or study or get married.**
- **In America children start earning their pocket money by odd jobs here and there after school.**
- **In India parents make important decisions for their children whereas children usually decide for themselves in America.**

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**Compare two seasons in your country**

- My country India has mainly four seasons – summer, winter, autumn and spring.
- The length and severity of seasons varies in different parts of India.
- Changes in the length and duration have also been seen over the years.
- Because of global warming, summers now extend from March to September, October can be called the month of autumn and February as spring and November to January are winter months.
- I am going to compare summer and winter season.
- Summers are long and hot where as winters are cold and short.
- Days are longer in summer than in winter.
- So there is a lot more outdoor activity in summer than in winter.
- You tend to sweat a lot in summer whereas in winter you don't sweat much.
- You like to wear cool cottons in summers whereas you can wear any clothes in winters.
- You can enjoy water sports like swimming in summers.
- I like winters more because you don't sweat, you can wear any clothes and there are a lot of things to eat.
- In summer, it is extremely hot and you tend to sweat a lot.
- There are many mosquitoes and lizards and also many power cuts.

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### **Describe your IELTS madam**

At every phase of my life like infancy, childhood and adulthood till today I came across many teachers. All played incredible roles in developing and shaping up my mind and personality. Talking about my present teacher my IELTS madam she is a complete package of knowledge and inspiration.

Basically she is a famous gynecologist of Phagwara but she has interest in teaching so she started up with her IELTS coaching center 3 years ago.

There are 4 members in her family her husband Dr. NPS Makkar( general surgeon), her elder daughter Deepa(got married a year ago and presently in USA), younger son Indroop ( doing mechanical engineering from BITS Pilani, Goa) and she is Dr. Kiran Makkar.

First of all I familiarize you with her personality. Well although she is a short stature lady but her mind is as sharp as blade. I can bet on it . She is very sweet fair lady with beautiful dimpled smile. U know when I'm stressed and I just have a glance of her my worries fly away she is so charming person.

The best thing I like is she can be your friend, teacher of course, mother , advisor and a guide. Even then she is able to maintain discipline in her class. For her first and foremost thing is study.

She has a magnanimous personality. She makes the environment of the class so friendly that we all feel free to clarify our doubts. She always pats on your back and say the golden 2 words " very good with her enchanting smile" and if you are not able to perform well then also she says 2 words " its ok with a smile". it really boosts up the person. She has a hold on her subject and is very hard working and laborious person. She is a good cook and is very bold and active. I respect her a lot. She is truly my inspiration and admiration.

I think words are too less to describe her all I can say is that she is a blessed intelligent and loving child of God. May she always be what she is. God bless her.

**An activity you liked to do most often in your childhood with your friends**

- Childhood is the most innocent phase of everyone's life.
- My childhood also was very colourful. I was a very pampered child and showed some tantrums if my wishes were not fulfilled so u can say I was a spoilt brat.
- I liked to do many activities in my childhood like playing games, studying and dancing and so on but my all time favourite activity was playing hide-and-seek with my neighbours and sometimes with my mother.
- I used to play this game every evening either in my own house or in the veranda.
- I was so naughty that I kept on changing places so that no one could find me and used to feel on the top of the world.
- I remember once I hid myself in the almirah and no one could find me. Almost half an hour passed away then my friends got anxious and rushed to my mother so that she could search for me.
- And finally she caught me in the almirah and got apprehensive when she found me almost half dead. I was literally breathless and was perspiring badly.
- She scolded me and even slapped me and gave me some water to drink and after that I recovered.
- From that I learnt a lesson that one should never hurt own self for the sake of winning.
- After that incidence I played hide-and -seek more carefully and with full of zeal and enthusiasm.
- So this was my favourite activity in my childhood and I still relish playing it whenever I get time as it brings back those nostalgic memories of my innocence period, my childhood.

### **A trip that was not up to your expectations**

- I have undertaken many journeys in my life
- Once I went to Agra to see the Taj Mahal, once to Shimla with my parents and once to Vaishno Devi
- Here I am going to talk about my trip to Shimla
- I went there with my parents last year in December
- We went there by our car till Kalka and from there we went by Train
- The train journey was very enjoyable
- However, the rest of the holiday was very bad
- My father had booked a hotel through some travel agent
- The hotel people were supposed to pick us up from the station
- We waited for two hours but nobody came
- Then my father called the agent and after a long time the hotel people came.
- On reaching the hotel we found the rooms very smelly and even the beddings were very dirty
- It was very late in the night so with wrinkled noses we spent the night there
- The next day we changed the hotel and it really made a big hole in our pocket
- We went to Jakhu mandir the next day and I remember I has a packet of chips in my hand
- I was suddenly surrounded by a number of monkeys looking threateningly at me
- I was petrified, Then somebody told me to throw the chips away
- I did so and the monkeys took the chips and ran away
- Even in the new hotel there was scarcity of water and even to bathe we were given rationed water
- We stayed in Shimla for 5 days
- I really wanted to see the snowfall but unfortunately there was bright sunlight all those days
- We came back on 30<sup>th</sup> December and on 31<sup>st</sup> I read in the paper that Shimla had its first snowfall of the year
- So madam, this trip was not up to my expectations

## Statue

- **India is a diverse country**
- **There are many statues – on roundabouts, in public gardens and in public buildings**
- **Here I am going to talk about a statue which I saw when I was in 10<sup>th</sup> class**
- **It is the statue of Shaheed Bhagat Singh at Khatkar Kalan**
- **I remember, I went with my school tour to visit the museum of Shaheed-e-azam Bhagat Singh.**
- **We were 40 students and 4 teachers**
- **We enjoyed a lot**
- **The very first thing that caught our attention was the magnificent, tall, bronze statue of Shaheed Bhagat Singh right at the entrance of the museum**
- **I was awe-struck to see the picturesque statue.**
- **You know madam, it is 25 feet tall statue**
- **Bhagat Singh is standing with one arm raised as if shouting a slogan – maybe – Inquilab Zindabad**
- **You know madam, the freedom we enjoy today is because of the toil, sweat and sacrifice of our great heroes like Bhagat Singh**
- **The thing that is special about the statue is that it brings out the feeling of patriotism among the people of India**
- **I like it most because it reminds us of the great deeds of our great martyrs**
- **We also saw many other things at the museum**
- **We saw the Bhagwad Gita signed by Shaheed Bhagat Singh**
- **We also saw the personal diary of Shaheed Bhagat Singh**
- **We also saw the blood stained newspaper in which his ashes were brought**
- **I have never been to the museum after that but whenever I go to Chandigarh, I see the statue on the way and my head bows in respect for the great martyr.**



### **A change I would like to make in my life**

- **Change is the law of nature.**
- **My life has also seen many changes.**
- **But here I am going to talk about a change that I would like to make in my life.**
- **I want to change country of my residence.**
- **I would like to become a part of a developed country.**
- **I belong to India, it is a developing country.**
- **There is too much starvation and poverty.**
- **To make this change in my life I have joined IELTS course.**
- **I want to get good bands and go for higher study in any developed country so that I will be able to get a good job.**
- **For this I am working very hard.**
- **For saying this ma'am, I do not mean to be cut off from my roots.**
- **I am proud of my country.**
- **I have spent 21 years of my life there.**
- **But I also want to taste the life of a developed country where there is no starvation, no poverty and no illiteracy.**
- **Even the poorest of the poor never go to bed without food.**
- **Even the poorest of the poor have all basic necessities.**
- **Where education is free and good health facilities are available.**
- **It would be a utopia for me.**
- **I want to give a better life to my parents and children.**
- **I want to make a comparison in developed and developing countries.**
- **I would like to enjoy all the benefits of a developed country**
- **For that I would need to get PR status there.**
- **That is the one big change I would like to make in my life.**

### **Meal at a picnic**

- **Last month my uncle and aunt had come from abroad.**
- **Their children were also with them**
- **Mohit is 10 years old and Shikha is 8 years old**
- **They stayed with us for 10 days**
- **Uncle and aunt own a farmhouse in Mauli which is a small village near Phagwara.**
- **Whenever they come they stay with us only because they have not maintained a kitchen there**
- **We decided to have a picnic there**
- **My mother prepared a lot of things.**
- **She made cucumber and tomato sandwiches.**
- **My aunt made some alloo paranthas**
- **My father bought apples and pears from the market**
- **My uncle made vegetable patties**
- **He has excellent culinary skills**
- **I bought soft drinks and cookies and snacks from the market**
- **I also took my Frisbee and playing cards**
- **We took two mats to spread on the floor**
- **We hired a Tata Safari for the whole day and we went to Uncle's farmhouse**
- **We played Frisbee and ate so much on that day**
- **Everything was very tasty but the patties were the yummiest**
- **My parents and uncle aunt played cards**
- **We also played cricket and badminton**
- **We really enjoyed a lot**
- **I really wish we have such picnics again**

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**Tell us about something you want to be, but you are not at present, you should say**

**- Who is the person you want to become?**

**- Why do you want the change?**

There are so many people in our life whom we envy and want to be like.

This is a very difficult question to answer.

I would not want to be in the shoes of a famous person because I value my privacy a lot.

Famous people have name and fame but one thing they certainly lack is their private life.

So, here I am going to talk about a person like whom I really want to be and that is my mother.

I am not saying that because she is my mother and naturally I like her, but I have seen the look of admiration for her in everyone's eyes who know her.

She's a perfect role model for me.

The way she manages everything is amazing.

My grandparents and all other relatives adore her.

She has excellent culinary skills and our home is always spic and span.

She is very particular about her looks and regularly does yoga and visits the beauty parlour also once in a while.

I really wish I can be like her.

I admire her for her meticulous planning of things

I admire her for the way she is there for the neighbours whenever they need her and yet no work of the home is ignored.

She is a graduate but she chose not to work outside as she thinks that managing the home is a full time profession.

Only in this matter I would like to differ, otherwise in all other ways I wish to be like her.

I wish God makes me like her one day.

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He's a perfect role model for me.

The way he manages everything is amazing.

My grandparents and all other relatives adore him.

He works very hard and fulfils all our needs.

He is very particular about his health and regularly does yoga and goes for a morning walk.

I really wish I can be like him.

I admire him for his meticulous planning of things

I admire him for the way he is there for the neighbours whenever they need him and yet no work of the business and home is ignored.

He is a businessman and successfully runs his business.

He has very good rapport with all his employees also.

His motto is – give respect and get respect.

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**A famous person I would like to meet (prepared by Neha)**

**The world is full of famous people.**

**But the person I would like to talk about here is Sonia Gandhi.**

**She is the Italian born president of the Indian National Congress and the widow of the former Prime Minister of India, Rajiv Gandhi**

**She looks very simple and innocent.**

**She wears the traditional Indian saree .**

**She is an influential person in the Indian politics**

**She was ranked the third most powerful woman in the world by Forbes Magazine in the year 2004, and was ranked sixth in 2007.**

**Her name was also there in the 100 most influential people in the world in the Time magazine 2007.**

**I came to know in depth about her in a TV interview.**

**I got to know how she suffered through her life after the death of her husband.**

**The way she stood against the adversities of life was very inspiring.**

**She could power India after her partner's death, but she denied the chance and went in oblivion for a few years.**

**She joined Indian politics as the president of the Indian National Congress in 1997.**

**She was elected to Lok Sabha in 2004 and 2009 from Rai Bareli UP**

**I am so impressed by her that I would really like to meet her**

**The way she carries herself in a saree, she looks more Indian than any Indian woman**

**She has an aura around her.**

**If I could just meet her once, it would be a dream-come-true for me**

### **Language apart from English**

**A language I would like to learn apart from English is French**

**There are many reasons for this**

**The first and foremost reason is that I want to visit my uncle and aunt who live in France**

**They told me that if you wish to communicate with Franco phones it is very essential to know some French**

**There, very few people know English**

**My uncle has also offered to sponsor my fees for higher education**

**In that case, if I choose to study there, then learning French would be a necessity**

**Another reason is that my parents are planning to move to Canada**

**So, my knowledge of French would come very handy there**

**It might help me in getting a job**

**French is spoken in 33 countries**

**It is the second most commonly taught language after English**

**Even in my country, if I know a foreign language, then I can get a good job in the tourism industry**

**Everyone knows, tourists from all parts of the world flock to India**

**Those who are multilingual definitely stand a better chance in the job market.**

### **Future Plan**

- **Every human being makes plans for the future**
- **In the same way, I too have made some plans for my future**
- **My immediate future plan is to go abroad for my higher studies**
- **I want to go to London for my higher studies**
- **That is why I am taking IELTS**
- **I want to do a course in hotel management**
- **This is the fastest growing industry nowadays**
- **There are a lot of job opportunities in this field**
- **It is a highly lucrative profession**
- **This profession is very popular all over the world**
- **My brother who lives in London told me about this course**
- **He has searched some colleges for me**
- **He told me the value of this course over there**
- **My dream is to open a hotel**
- **Through this course, I will learn about the different sections and departments within the hotel industry**
- **All my family members are involved in this plan**
- **They are saving money for my study abroad**
- **My ultimate future plan is to open a hotel in my home town**
- **My family will join me in this venture**

### **National Day**

- **India is a diverse country**
- **There are so many national days celebrated in India like 26<sup>th</sup> January, which is the Republic day, 15<sup>th</sup> August – which is the Independence day, 2<sup>nd</sup> October – birthday of the father of the nation, Mahatma Gandhi and so on**
- **Here I would like to talk about our Independence day i.e. 15<sup>th</sup> August**
- **We celebrate this day because we got freedom from the British rule on this day**
- **On this day we remember all our freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for our freedom**
- **We also have a public holiday on this day**
- **In some schools cultural programs are organised**
- **On this day our prime minister hoists the national flag and addresses the nation from the Red fort at Delhi**
- **People from different states show their cultural programmes in a big parade.**
- **All this is telecast live on TV**
- **The best display gets the prize and recognition**
- **Our three forces – the Army, the Navy and the Air Force also show their feats**
- **In our area we celebrate this day in the local Boys school**
- **Many famous people are invited there**
- **Sweets are distributed to school students on this day**



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### **Project you made in school**

- **Project work is part and parcel of school curricula**
- **I have made many projects in my life**
- **But here I am going to talk about a project which I made when I was in 10<sup>th</sup> class**
- **This project was on the topic of pollution**
- **Our teacher gave us this project for competing in an environment fair**
- **This fair is held every year in December in my home town**
- **We were a team of three students**
- **We collected all data from different sources like the internet, library, magazines and so on**
- **We presented all three types of pollution on thermocol**
- **In this project we showed the causes, effects and ways to control pollution**
- **We won first prize in this competition**
- **Our school principal also appreciated us**
- **This project also touched the topic of global warming which is a burning issue nowadays**
- **After that my project was hung in the class room**

**Talk about the climate in your country, you should say:**

**- How hot or cold is the climate?**

**- How much rain do you get?**

- Climate refers to the long term atmospheric condition.
- Indian weather and climate conditions are very diverse and can reach extremes.
- The climate of India is essentially a temperate one.
- India lies to the north of Equator, so the southern part of India is usually much warmer than the rest of India.
- Also, water bodies lie on three sides thus giving some parts a coastal climate.
- The weather of India changes every now and then thus giving the people the much-needed relief from the extreme weather conditions.
- We have four seasons based on the climate.
- Summer, winter, autumn and spring
- The duration of summer in India is from April to September.
- It is very hot in the summer months.
- We have the monsoons during summer which last from July to August.
- We have rains in the monsoon season which brings some relief from the extreme heat of summers.
- The winters in India can get really chilly.
- It becomes bone chilling during the months of November to February.
- The northern part of India experiences harsh weather conditions
- The hilly areas experience sub-zero temperature conditions.
- Spring lasts from end of February to beginning of April. It is very pleasant in the spring season.
- It marks the end of winter and the beginning of summer
- Autumn lasts from the end of September to the beginning of November.
- It marks the end of summer and the beginning of winter
- The trees shed their leaves in autumn.
- My favourite season is winter

### **A dangerous sport**

- There are many dangerous sports played in the world
- Like boxing, rugby, wrestling and bungee jumping
- Some people play dangerous sports because they love adventure
- Others play for money
- Any sport which can risk life is dangerous
- Here I am going to talk about the most dangerous sport of all according to me
- It is wrestling
- It is a contact sport
- I see wrestling programs on TV
- My brother is all the time watching wrestling
- Players injure each other badly
- There is so much blood from wounds
- It is a very old game
- In Punjab it is called pehalwani
- If it is played with rules it seems not so dangerous
- But on the TV they seem to play without any rules
- That is very bad

### **An animal that lives in water**

- Almost two third of the earth is covered with water
- There are many animals that live in water
- Such animals are called aquatic animals
- Many types of fish live in water
- Here I am going to talk about an animal that lives in water but is not a fish
- It is a mammal
- It is the whale
- It gives birth to its young one and suckles to feed it
- It cannot breathe under water
- It has to come to the surface to breathe
- Even the little baby has to be pushed to the surface to breathe.
- The whale can live under water for a long time on one breath.
- The whale eats small fish in the water
- Such small fish are called plankton
- The blue whale is the largest mammal
- The largest land mammal is elephant.
- I saw a program on whales on Discovery channel
- I was very impressed by the whale.
- I was so excited I saw the whole program
- The program also talked about many other animals which live in water.
- The frog can live on land and water
- It is an amphibian

### **Favourite book from childhood**

- I have read many books in my childhood – like story books, comics and so on
- But here I would like to talk about a book that is very special to me even today
- The title of the book is Grimm's fairy tales
- The book is written by W.C.Grimm
- This book was gifted to me by my mother on my tenth birthday
- She bought the book from an exhibition
- This book has many fairy tales
- To name a few – the frog prince – the sleeping beauty – snow white and the seven dwarfs and so many more
- Even today I flick through the pages of the book when I am free.
- The pages of the book have turned yellow but still the book is very special to me
- I remember I was very possessive about the book
- I never used to give it to anybody
- Sometimes I used to take it to school also
- Once I took part in a story telling competition and I got first prize
- I told the story of The Frog Prince
- The stories are very interesting and meaningful
- Along with the text there are many pictures also
- I have covered the book with glazed paper
- Every night before going to bed, I used to read one or two stories
- My brother also used to read stories from this book
- This book inculcated in me the habit of reading
- You know ma'am, nowadays the habit of reading is going down in children
- My mother always inspired me to read books

### **TV programme that you did not like**

- Well, I live watching TV
- In fact whenever I get free time, I glue myself to the TV screen
- I watch a few daily soaps and some reality shows
- The recent programme I saw and did not like was – Raaz pichle janam ka – which means the mystery of the past life
- I saw the programme last week when I went to visit my cousin
- There I saw it for the first time
- My cousin never misses any episode
- The programme was telecast on NDTV Imagine at 9.30 p.m.
- The program was hosted by mr Ravi Kishan
- He hosted the programme very nicely
- As per the program, a person can peep into his past life
- I did not like it because it appeared very unrealistic to me
- Moreover, the past is over and there is no fun digging into past life
- I also feel that such programmes can breed superstitions
- Such programmes are not my cup of tea
- Later on I came to know from my cousin that the programme has been withdrawn
- Maybe it did not appeal to the masses

**Famous person not from your country**

- I know of many famous personalities, but here I would like to talk about Barack Obama
- Barack Hussein Obama II is the 44th and current President of the United States.
- He is the first African American to hold the office.
- He is about 49 years old.
- He was born in Honolulu, Hawaii, United States.
- His father [Barack Obama, Sr.](#), is from Kenya and his mother is from Kansas.
- He is married to Michelle Obama and has two daughters Malia and Sasha.
- Obama is a graduate of Columbia University and Harvard Law School.
- Obama's presidential campaign began in February 2007.
- He won his party's nomination, against Hillary Clinton.
- In the 2008 general election, he defeated Republican nominee John McCain
- and was inaugurated as president on January 20, 2009.
- Obama is also the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize laureate.
- He has respect for variety of cultures.

### **A change in my life I would like to make**

- I would like to make my lifestyle more healthy
- The most important change is that I would like to incorporate exercise in my daily routine.
- I think exercising keeps us fit and healthy
- It also helps us to relax after a hectic day
- I want to make this change immediately
- All I do these days is work, study, eat and sleep.
- I think if I start exercising now, it will also help me in my old age
- Exercise also helps us in preventing some diseases
- For instance – hypertension, diabetes, obesity and osteo arthritis
- Also along with this, I want to get better diet which has more fruits and vegetables and less junk food
- A healthy mind resides in a healthy body
- So to have a healthy mind I need to be physically fit

Kiran's Cue Cards



**Describe a story that is famous in your country. You should say:**

- **what the story is,**
- **where and when you heard about it,**
- **how people in your country know about this story.**
- **explain why you and your country like this story.**
  - There are a number of stories that are popular in my country
  - Like the thirsty crow, the greedy dog, unity is strength and so on
  - Here I would like to talk about a story which is very popular in not just my country but in the whole world.
  - It is the story of a thirsty crow
  - I heard it so many times from my grandmother in my childhood.
  - It was also there in my KG book
  - People in my country know about this story through the elderly at home and through school books
  - Everyone likes this story because it teaches moral values of life in a simple and interesting way
  - Now I would like to tell the story
  - Once upon a time there was a crow.
  - The crow was very intelligent.
  - One day it became very thirsty.
  - It wanted to quench its thirst.
  - It looked for water everywhere.
  - But nowhere could it find the water.
  - Then it found a pitcher with a little water at the bottom.
  - The crow could not reach the water.
  - It pondered and immediately hit upon an idea.
  - It gathered pebbles and dropped them in the pitcher.
  - The water level rose.
  - It drank the water and quenched its thirst.
  - The moral of the story is that at the time of adversity you've to use your wits.

### **Something old which you or your family have kept**

- There are many old things in my family which belong to my parents and great grand parents
- There are some old brass utensils and trunks and some articles of furniture like an old round wooden table, a chair and so on
- But here I would like to talk about an article which once belonged to my great great grandmother.
- It is a beautiful set of gold jewellery
- It is a family heritage
- It has been handed down from generation to generation in my family
- It is a gold necklace with matching earrings
- My mother wears it on special family occasions
- Otherwise my father keeps it in a bank locker
- It is studded with rubies and emeralds
- I like the set so much that I asked my mother to give it to me on my wedding but she replied that it has to remain in the family so she will pass it to her daughter in law
- You know, ma'am, the gold is so pure that it still shines like new
- And the design is evergreen
- It goes with all types of dresses
- Whenever my mother wears it she gets a lot of compliments
- So, you see ma'am this gold set is one thing which has been the pride of our family for years.

Describe an important conversation you had, you should say:

- what it was about,
  - whom you had it with,
  - why it was important.
- I've had many conversations in life
  - Some were on phone and some were face-to-face
  - Here I'm going to talk about a conversation which I had with my friend kulwinder last month
  - In those days he had come from Australia on holiday
  - He came to visit me and we chatted with each other for two hours
  - This conversation was important for me because it brought a turning point in my life
  - I asked him about his studies in Australia
  - He told me that the quality of education is very good there
  - I asked him about the problems he faced there
  - He told me that initially he faced some food problems, but now he is comfortable there
  - I asked him how he managed his finances
  - He told me that most of the students earn by doing part time jobs
  - He too did a job at a restaurant and managed his fees and living expenses
  - He painted a rosy picture of Australia in front of me
  - I too was motivated to study there
  - As you know madam, that IELTS is a pre-requisite to study abroad
  - So, here I am in front of you , taking the IELTS
  - My friend has offered to help me if I go there
  - He will also help me in finding a good part-time job

***Talk about a story which is popular in your country***

***When did it happen and why,***

***Why is it popular,***

***How do you feel about it?***

- As we flip through the pages of a newspaper every morning, we come across many true stories.
- There are many true stories associated with history also.
- Same is with my country.
- Today I am going to talk about a real story of freedom of India which was told by my grandfather to me when I was a child.
- It started almost 300 years ago when the British came to India for business purposes.
- They become so successful with their anti Indian policies that they started to rule the country.
- The Indians were made to work like slaves and had to pay more taxes.
- They assassinated many innocent people.
- Many massacres like Jallianwala bagh took place in the whole nation.
- Finally, the Indians rose against all this.
- Many revolutionary organizations were developed by the youth and on the other side, Mahatma Gandhi was supporting the non- violence and was doing processions against the British government.
- Many people were killed during the processions and many were arrested or sentenced to death.
- But with their great efforts finally India got freedom on 15th Aug 1947.
- This story is still popular in my country because this story is related to our country's past and to future.
- Today we are proud of our martyrs who did not care about their lives for the sake of their country.
- Now we are living in an independent country.
- This is only because of them.
- The freedom we enjoy today is because of the sacrifices of martyrs like Bhagat Singh, Tilak and so many more.
- Today I can say that I am proud to be an Indian.

**Talk about a place in your city that is developing fast, please say:**

- What part of the city is it?**
  - How did it look in the past?**
  - What are the changes now?**
- 
- **I belong to Phagwara**
  - **It is a small but beautiful town on the national highway between Jalandhar and Ludhiana**
  - **Generally speaking a lot of changes have taken place in my home town**
  - **But one area which is developing very fast is the suburban area where a Lovely Professional university has opened**
  - **Earlier this place had only fields**
  - **But now, it has changed dramatically for the better.**
  - **The building of the university is very majestic**
  - **There are several campuses**
  - **The infrastructure also is very good**
  - **This university is in 600 acres of land**
  - **40,000 students study here**
  - **This year 200 students from other countries have also enrolled**
  - **Because of this university, the surrounding areas have also developed**
  - **Big shopping malls have opened near the university**
  - **Big bazaar has opened**
  - **Ansal plaza has opened**
  - **Even the residential areas near the area have developed**
  - **This is because many housewives have started earning from the students who stay as paying guests**
  - **So this area has developed very fast in recent years**

Talk about a good quality you admire in your friend

- When he/she did it
  - What you learnt from it
  - What difficulties your friend found in doing it
- 
- I have many friends but Ravi is my best friend.
  - He is 20 years old
  - He is tall and handsome
  - He has curly hair and a smiling face.
  - He belongs to a very rich family but he is very down-to-earth.
  - He has many good qualities but the quality I admire the most is his ever-helping nature.
  - He is very dependable.
  - You can rely on him all the time.
  - I remember once we were going to school.
  - On the way there had been a road accident.
  - Nobody was helping the victims.
  - One person was badly injured.
  - My friend immediately called an ambulance and we picked up the person and took him to civil Hospital.
  - I was afraid of the formalities that we would have to go through.
  - But my friend was determined to help. He did not think twice before doing that kind act.
  - We had to answer a lot of grilling questions from the police and hospital authorities.
  - We even had to miss school that day.
  - Later on when the relatives of that person arrived, we heaved a sigh of relief.
  - They were very grateful and thanked us.
  - This made us very happy and I felt very proud of myself that I was part of this deed.
  - I learnt that helping someone gives more happiness than anything else in the world.
  - I learnt a lot from his selfless nature.

**Talk about the way you like to relax when you are not at work**

- **Where did you go recently to relax**
- **Who was with you**
- **How did you relax**

- I have many hobbies which relax me in my free time.
- I like to watch TV, listen to music and do some gardening in my free time. I enjoy these activities and they give me relaxation.
- When I listen to music, all my worries and tensions fly away
- Sometimes I watch sitcoms and reality shows on TV
- They are also entertaining and fun
- When I do gardening I feel very happy to see my plants grow
- I have a kitchen garden in the backyard of my house
- I have grown okra, aubergine, mint and radish.
- Spending time with friends also gives me relaxation.
- Last to last Sunday, my friend had come from Australia.
- We enjoyed a lot that weekend.
- We saw a movie at Sarab Multiplex.
- We saw Khatta Meetha
- It is a very hilarious movie
- We had popcorns and Pepsi in the interval.
- After the movie we went to Haveli
- We saw a cultural show at Rangla Punjab.
- We ate dinner after that.
- My friend belongs to Delhi
- He was impressed by the hospitality of Punjabi culture at Rangla Punjab
- We came home very late at night
- So, it was a very fun and relaxing day for me.

**Talk about a useful thing in your house you use a lot**

- **What is it**
- **What you use it for**
- **How it benefits you**
- **Explain how else it can be used**
- Today, we live in an era of technology.
- There are many things in my house which I use a lot
- Here I would like to discuss about the microwave oven
- This is something I use almost daily
- It is a Samsung Combi 301 model
- It is of black colour and has a capacity of 23 litres
- It has a rotating plate inside
- I generally use it for reheating.
- Whenever I buy any burger or pizza from the market, I reheat it for a minute and it becomes hot and fresh.
- Sometimes I come home late and then I reheat the food that my mother has prepared.
- So this equipment is very helpful for me.
- Sometimes my mother prepares some dishes and if they are left over, then we freeze them in the refrigerator and after few days we thaw them in the microwave and use them.
- This microwave can also be used for cooking.
- My sister bakes cakes in the microwave.
- They come out very nice.



Talk about a public event you attended, you should say:

- What was the public event and when was it?
- With whom did you go to the event?
- Why was this public event so important?
- There are many public events held in my country like Independence Day celebration, Republic Day and so on but here I would like to talk about a public event which is held in my home town every year in the month of December.
- This is the Environment fair.
- This is organised by the Environment Protection Association of my home town
- The other NGOs like Rotary club and Jaycees also actively participate in it.
- Last year it was held on 12<sup>th</sup>- 14<sup>th</sup> December.
- I went there on both days.
- First day I went with my friends.
- Many competitions were held there like painting competition, body building competition, kite flying competition, debate competition.
- We took part in painting competition.
- The theme was pollution.
- My friend bagged the second prize.
- There were many stalls selling items at discounted rates.
- So I came home and told my mother about it.
- The next day I went with my parents.
- On that day there was a flower show.
- Many stalls were selling saplings and organic fertilisers.
- We bought a lot of plants.
- There was also a display of energy saving gadgets which use solar energy.
- We bought a solar cooker from there.
- My mother uses it regularly now for preparing many dishes.
- This event was important because it created awareness about the environment
- You know, madam, global warming is a burning problem these days and unless we all do something about it our Earth will become a boiling pot very soon.

### Sea shore

- India has a long coastal line.
- In fact, it is around 7000 km
- I have heard about a lot of beaches like Juhu beach in Mumbai and Merina beach in Chennai
- But here I would like to talk about a beach in Goa which I visited with my family last year in the month of December
- We went by train to Goa and stayed in a hotel at Panaji
- I vividly remember the name of the hotel
- It was hotel Delmon
- It was a ten day holiday including the travel period
- My father had meticulously planned the holiday within his budget
- Every morning there was a bus from the hotel which left at sharp 9 a m
- It took us to various beaches and churches of Goa
- The beaches I remember are Anjana, Donna Paula and Calangute
- I liked Anjana beach the most
- I remember the foreign tourists sun bathing under the swaying palm leaves
- We too enjoyed the waves touching our feet
- I collected some shells and even caught a small starfish.
- The day we went there was a flea-market where we saw cute looking Kashmiri and Tibetan women selling all kinds of junk jewellery and clothes
- I too bought a T-shirt from there
- After this we went to the Calangute beach
- There was too much rush on the beach
- I remember my father took us quite far into the water
- I was very afraid but my father held my hand
- My mother was quite happy clicking photographs from the shore

**105. A new law you would like to introduce**

- There are various laws imposed by the government from time to time.
- All these laws are for the benefit of society in general
- Without these laws we would be living in utter chaos
- If I get a chance to introduce a new law it would be ‘one car per family law’
- You know madam/sir, the number of cars is increasing day by day and this is creating a lot of problems.
- There is a lot of traffic congestion on the roads
- There are also accidents because of cars
- Then there is a lot of pollution like air and noise pollution
- Nowadays we belong to a materialistic society
- People are not satisfied with few things
- They want more and more
- I think if there is one car in a family, it is enough for the needs of that family
- But nowadays, each member of the family wants his own personal car
- There is no parking space within the house for more than one car
- So people park their cars on the streets and roads
- This leads to traffic jams which wastes a lot of time
- So, I think, if government seriously thinks about it, it would benefit everyone.

**Speak about the importance of explorers in today's society**

- **How they get motivation to explore new places**
  - **Who should give finance to them**
  - **Would you like to go on an explorer trip**
- 
- It is basic human nature to learn new things and to explore new things
  - America was discovered by Columbus and India by Vasco Da Gama
  - The 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> century is called the age of exploration
  - In early days, exploration was done to find trading partners, new goods, and new trade routes
  - But, it also gave us a lot of geographical knowledge.
  - What all we know about the world today is because of these explorers
  - Early explorers were mostly from Europe.
  - They needed a lot of funding for this purpose.
  - They needed ships and many other things to set on their journeys
  - In those days, it was very adventurous to go on such trips. The people who went were not sure whether they would return safe and sound or not
  - Mostly this funding was provided by their governments
  - They also wanted the knowledge of new places
  - Nowadays there are a lot of technical advancements and so that we can know about the planet through many other sources like the satellites
  - Still, I think there is scope for explorers because when they go to new places they learn about new cultures and also bring back knowledge of the flora and fauna of that place.
  - I think it is very adventurous to go on an exploration trip.
  - I would really like to go on one. But I don't think it would be possible now
  - One day, when I have earned a lot of money and am well settled in life, I would surely go on this adventure
  - I feel there are still many unexplored parts of this planet earth

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**Talk about a day off that you took to relax from work, please say**

**- what you did,**

**- where you went,**

**- who was there with you, and**

**- what you did to relax.**

I've had many relaxing days in my life, but the day I'm going to talk about here is last Sunday.

The whole month before that I was very busy.

We were getting our house re-painted and I was busy helping my parents in setting and re-setting the furniture and almirahs.

So, last Saturday the whole work was over and we all family members heaved a sigh of relief.

On Sunday, we went to see a movie.

We saw Dabang in Sarb Multiplex.

We really enjoyed a lot.

We had popcorns and pepsi in the interval.

After the movie we went for shopping

We didn't buy much but we enjoyed the window shopping

Then we went to Haveli and enjoyed the traditional Punjabi food at Rangla Punjab

We also saw a cultural programme that was going on over there

You know ma'am, on that day Gurdas Mann had come there with his troupe.

There was a lot of rush there.

People were queuing up to take his autograph.

He is a very popular Punjabi singer, lyricist, actor and director.

We returned home very late in the night.

It was a day full of fun and frolic.

It was a very relaxing day for me.

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**Describe the last time when you were last late for an important appointment. Please say**

- When it happened**
- What the meeting was for**
- Why you were late**
- Explain the results of being late for that meeting.**

**I am a very punctual person by nature.**

**But sometimes it is not possible to be in time.**

**Here I would like to talk about a time when I was late for an appointment.**

**Last Saturday I had an appointment with my dentist.**

**The appointment was at 6 pm**

**Actually, my dentist is a very busy person.**

**He has a lot of patients**

**Sometimes you have to wait for days before you get an appointment with him.**

**Just as I was to leave from my home, some unexpected guests turned up.**

**My parents were not at home.**

**They had gone to the market to do some shopping for the home.**

**So, I had to attend to them.**

**I called my parents but they came after half an hour.**

**After they came, I went to my dentist.**

**But he had started attending the next patients.**

**I had to come back that day without getting my treatment**

**However, I was lucky I got another appointment the very next day.**

**Talk about a useful application of computer that you had a personal experience with, please say:**

- How did you do this?
- Was it difficult for you?
- Has anyone helped you?

- Computers are very important part of our life.
- They are a source of information.
- I have used many computer applications in my life.
- Here I am going to talk about Microsoft Word
- It is a part of MS office
- In fact it is the most useful application of MS office.
- It is also very easy and convenient to use.
- I remember, when I was in school, I had to make an assignment on Global warming.
- I first got the material from the library.
- Then I had to type it.
- I went to my school computer lab.
- My teacher helped me in organising the material.
- It was quite difficult for me because I had never before used the computer for making an assignment.
- I had to type the written matter.
- I also had to scan and copy the pictures.
- I found it very interesting.
- This application is very nice because I could check my spellings and grammar also.
- When I had typed everything, my teacher helped me in organising the whole assignment.
- Then I took a print out.
- I remember, I got A+ grade in the assignment.
- Then I pestered my parents to buy me a computer.
- Now I find using the MS word very easy.
- I have also learnt many new features of this application.

**Talk about a friend that you've met a long time ago. Please say**

- How did you meet?
  - How do you keep in touch?
  - Why is this person important to you?
- 
- I had many friends in childhood, but the friend I am going to talk about here is Sukhninder.
  - I met him when I was in the 4<sup>th</sup> class, in the Government Primary school where I studied.
  - When we were in 6<sup>th</sup> he and his family moved to America.
  - Now we are in touch through e-mail.
  - Occasionally he calls me.
  - Sometimes we video-chat through Skype software.
  - We share our nostalgic memories of the past days with each other.
  - He is very important to me because we are bosom friends and we share all our joys and sorrows with each other.
  - I like him because he is an honest and straightforward person.
  - He had a very helping mentality.
  - Whenever I was in trouble he used to come and help me.
  - He tried to understand me.
  - He never fought with me.
  - In class I was weak at maths and he used to help me.
  - I had a very bad handwriting and he helped me to improve my handwriting also.
  - He is a very loving, caring and affectionate person.
  - So he became a very intimate friend.
  - When he was here he was very skinny.
  - But now, he has grown very tall and handsome.
  - He has done his graduation in computer animation
  - He made an animation of me and it was so funny that I remembered his naughty pranks of childhood.



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**Many diseases are spreading such as cancers and AIDS**

**People are going abroad for treatment**

**Is it beneficial for them?**

**It is true that many diseases are spreading and many people are going to foreign countries for their treatment**

**They think that treatments for such diseases are possible only in other developed countries**

**However, I don't think so.**

**I believe that India is also very advanced in such treatments now a days.**

**In fact people from other countries come to India for advanced treatments now.**

**Many times we read in the papers that people come for their surgeries to India.**

**The doctors in India are very strong academically.**

**Some hospitals in India are one of the best in the world.**

**The cost of treatment in India is very less as compared to anywhere else in the world.**

**You know madam, one of my neighbours suffered from liver cancer.**

**He had to get a liver transplant.**

**The cost of the treatment was 1 crore in Singapore.**

**But he got it done in Sir Ganga Ram Hospital at Delhi for only 25 lacs.**

**He is perfectly fine now and enjoying his life.**

**I feel it is better to get treatment done in one's own country because all your nears and dears are with you.**

**In such times you need a lot of moral support**

**Not everyone can travel abroad with you**

**You also need follow-up check-ups.**

**That is also possible in your own country.**

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**Advertisements are ubiquitous nowadays.**

**I have seen many ads in my life but the ad I am going to talk about here is of Nokia N8**

**I saw this ad on Star News Channel**

**It's a very attractive and beautiful phone.**

**It has a fully touch screen interface.**

**It is available in black, white and silver colours.**

**It has a 12 megapixel camera**

**It is 3 G enabled**

**It has a qwerty key pad.**

**It has many other applications such as video player, MP3 player**

**It also has latest mobile games**

**It has a calculator, alarm, timer, FM radio, calendar and internet facility.**

**Its memory is 8 GB**

**It has a wi-fi facility**

**It has a navigation system**

**Priyanka Chopra is the brand ambassador for this phone.**

**She is the leading Bollywood star nowadays.**

**She is also my favourite actress.**

**I have seen all her movies.**

**She also anchored the TV show – Khatron Ke Khilari**

**I watched this show because of her.**

**She has a versatile personality.**

**She fits into every role.**

**So when she endorses a product, people really want to buy it.**

**After seeing this ad I really wish to buy this phone.**

**But it is out of the range of my pocket**

**I have started saving money for this.**

**It is for 24,000 rupees.**

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### **FASCINATING JOB**

There are many jobs which I find fascinating but the job I am going to talk about here is of an event organiser.

I came to know about this job after I saw the movie Hum Tum.

Later I came to know that such jobs are very popular nowadays even in small places such as my home town Phagwara.

People are very busy nowadays and do not have time to organise family functions such as marriage parties and anniversaries.

So, they give their budget to the event organiser and he takes over the responsibility.

Actually I am very fond of organising such functions.

Whenever there is any function in the family, I do all the planning.

I note down everything to the smallest detail and then distribute duties to the family members.

When I came to know that I can get paid for this I was very fascinated.

No special training is needed for this job.

With every event you organise, you learn something new and your confidence grows.

You need to have contacts with various people who do the catering and decorations.

You even organise the DJ and the orchestra.

The most enjoyable part of this job is that you get to attend all the parties and meet new people.

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Talk about a person who speaks a different language to yours whom you have met. Please say

- Where & how did you meet this person?
- What was so special about this person?
- What did you learn from him/her?

- I have met many foreigners in my life.
- But, most of them could speak English.
- So I had no problem in communicating with them.
- Here I am going to talk about a person who speaks only Italian
- His name is Bruno
- He is my cousin's friend
- My cousin lives in Italy
- He was born and brought up there
- Last year he came to India to attend the wedding of my sister.
- He brought his Italian friend with him
- They stayed in our home for two weeks.
- Initially we had a lot of problem in communication.
- My cousin always had to act as interpreter.
- But Bruno was very special.
- He picked up Punjabi very fast.
- In just two days he was very easily communicating with all of us in Punjabi.
- He could make himself understood very well.
- I learnt a few words of Italian from him.
- Grazie means Thank you
- Scusi means Excuse me
- Grazie tante means Thanks a lot
- chao (ciao) means goodbye
- I also learnt that gestures can communicate a lot.
- We enjoyed a lot with him.
- He attended the whole wedding.
- Later on we took him to the Golden Temple.
- He was awestruck to see the beauty of Golden Temple.
- We also took him to Agra to see the Taj Mahal.
- When he went back we all had tears in our eyes.

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**Describe a situation when something in your house broke or stopped working. Please say**

- What was it?**
- What happened when it broke/stopped working?**
- How did you feel about it?**

**In our day to day life we use many things.**

**Some things are of breakable materials like glass.**

**While using, some things break or go out of order.**

**Here I would like to talk about my computer monitor which I damaged accidentally while I was cleaning my room last month.**

**I remember, my room was in a mess and I got a scolding from my mother that day.**

**So, I started cleaning it reluctantly.**

**First I cleaned my clothes almirah and then my bed.**

**After that was the turn of my study table.**

**There were lot of things on it beside my PC.**

**I pushed my books to one side and the monitor fell on the floor with a thud.**

**My heart skipped a beat.**

**I immediately picked it up and fitted it.**

**I was relieved to see it was working.**

**But that relief was short lived.**

**I had damaged the monitor beyond repair.**

**The screen has started flickering and it is uncomfortable to look at it for more than five minutes at a time.**

**I felt very bad.**

**The next day I took it to a repair shop where they checked it and told me that it cannot be repaired.**

**My father had gifted me that PC on my birthday.**

**With a heavy heart I told my father that the monitor was damaged.**

**Fortunately my father had the bill and we were relieved to see that it was within guaranty period.**

**So, we took it to the store from where we had bought it and they sent it to the company for replacement.**

**After two weeks I got a new monitor.**

**But, it taught me a lesson.**

**Such electronic things need to be handled with care.**

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**Describe a small company in your hometown that you think is successful, please say**

- **Why you think it is successful,**
- **How you know it,**
- **What they produce,**
- **Explain how you think it became successful.**

**I belong to Phagwara.**

**It is the hub of small scale industry**

**There are three big mills in my home town – the JCT mill, the sugar mill and the starch mill.**

**But here I am going to talk about a small company which is very successful.**

**It is Akal industries**

**It is on the GT Road**

**I have heard about it from my friend's brother who works there.**

**They say that among the small scale industries, it is at number one**

**They produce parts for automobiles.**

**The employer employee relation is very good.**

**They have very good facilities for workers, such as canteen and transport facility.**

**About 100 people work there.**

**It is run by two brothers.**

**One looks after the manufacturing and the other looks after the sales.**

**They have very good quality control**

**That is why they export their products to many parts of the world such as Canada, USA and France.**

**They take part in exhibitions also in many parts of the world.**

**They are successful because of their sheer hard work.**

**My friend's brother tells me that they are very punctual and if any worker is absent, they themselves take his seat so that the work does not suffer**

**They are perfect role models for their employees**

**They are very down-to-earth.**

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**Describe your ideal house. Please say**

- **Where do you want the house to be?**
- **What should it look like?**
- **How many people should it accommodate?**

My ideal house would be in the suburbs of my home town.

It would be far away from the noise and pollution of the city

But at the same time it should be near enough to enjoy all facilities that cities provide.

So, in a way it would be midway between the rural and urban setting.

It would look very beautiful.

It would not be very big. It would be easily manageable. I mean the constructed area would just enough for a small family.

If my family grows then I would add rooms on the first floor. So, it would be able to accommodate as many family members as choose to live with me.

I would like to keep it spic and span. If it is very big, I would not be able to do so.

I would have a lawn in the front which would always be full of greenery and colourful flowers.

I would also love to have a kitchen garden in the backyard where I would grow seasonal vegetables and a lemon and papaya tree.

The kitchen would have all modern fittings and gadgets which make cooking easy.

The living room would have a big TV which I would like to watch with my family.

I do not believe in having TVs in the bedrooms because it makes people isolated.

Last but not least, my ideal house would be very welcoming and full of warmth.

Everybody would feel welcome there.

I would love to live in perfect harmony with my family members.

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Talk about a person who is very successful in his/her life. Please say

- Who is that person?
- How do you know him/her?
- Why do you like that person?

Well, ma'am success is a very relative term.

Everyone has different views about success.

For some people success means having a lot of money.

For others, it may mean having name, fame and power.

Here I would like to talk about a person who is neither rich nor famous.

Yet, he is very successful in my eyes.

I am going to talk about my father.

His name is .....

He is in his late forties.

He is not very tall but very handsome.

He is a self made man.

He set up a small business of spare parts without putting in much money and by his sheer hard work he has made it grow.

He is admired by all in my neighbourhood and in our family.

He tries to help everyone who comes to him for help and advice.

He has a good rapport with all near and distant relatives.

Because of him, there is perfect harmony among all our family members.

When I see others admire him, I feel proud to be his son/daughter.

He has instilled good values in us, his children

He is not just my father, he is my friend, philosopher and guide.

Whenever I have any problem, he listens to me patiently and then suggests some solution.

I like him because I feel I can depend on him always.

He is my role model.

I just love my father.



Describe what type of books you prefer the most (Novels, Sports, Travel Books)? Please say:

- ⤴ Why do you like this particular genre?
- When did you first discover it?

I am fond of reading books.

- ⤴ I read novels, magazines and story books.
- ⤴ My favourite genre of books is novels.
- ⤴ I like novels because they relax me and entertain me.
- ⤴ They have interesting stories which are fictional and I like to read such books.
- ⤴ I generally read Punjabi novels
- ⤴ My favourite authors are Amrita Pritam and Nanak Singh
- ⤴ I liked the novel Pinjar written by Amrita Pritam
- ⤴ pinjar means skeleton
- ⤴ It is based on the plight of women during the days of partition
- ⤴ I also liked Pavitar Paapi written by Nanak Singh
- ⤴ It means the innocent sinner
- ⤴ Both these novels have been converted to movies and have been great hits
- ⤴ I discovered my love for novels when I was in 10<sup>th</sup> class.
- ⤴ My friend gifted me the novel by Nanak Singh on my birthday
- ⤴ I don't get much time to read novels these days because I am preparing to go abroad for my higher studies
- ⤴ Whenever I start reading a novel then I forget everything else and I repent later on
- ⤴ So, nowadays I just flick through the pages of some magazines in my free time

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Talk about a character from a story that you admire from your childhood

- Who was he
  - What was he like
  - What did he do
  - Explain why you admire this character
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- I heard many stories in my childhood and I admire many characters from those stories but here I am going to talk about a character from a TV serial which I saw in my childhood.
  - The character is of Shaktiman - which means the all-powerful.
  - He has supernatural powers which he acquires through meditation.
  - This serial was my favourite.
  - I never missed any episode of this serial.
  - It was telecast on DD National Channel every Sunday at 10am
  - My eyes were glued to the TV screen for that one hour.
  - I admired this character very much.
  - I wanted to be like him
  - I really wanted to swirl and fight the evil spirits just like he did.
  - Shaktiman never uses his powers wrongly and unnecessarily.
  - He always helps the needy and fights the evil supernatural powers.
  - Naturally, he always wins in the end.
  - He plays two characters in the serial. One is of Gangadhar, who is an ordinary man working as a press reporter.
  - The second character is of Shaktiman.
  - I also remember from the serial that Gangadhar has a crush on a journalist but she loves his other avatar i.e. Shaktiman.
  - This adds some comedy to the serial.
  - At the end of the serial, Shaktiman has a moral for the serial and I remember all my friends also discussed this serial the next day in the class and we used to listen to all what he taught in his morals.

Describe a friend who could be a good leader.

- What is his/her name?
  - How did you meet him/her?
  - Do people behave differently when he/she is around?
  - Why do you think he/she can be a good leader?
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- I have many friends but here I would like to talk about my best friend Shyam because I believe he has all the qualities needed to be a good leader.
  - He lives in my neighbourhood.
  - He is 20 years old and very handsome.
  - We have been friends since school days.
  - I remember, I used to be very shy and never used to go to the teachers with my problems.
  - But, he never had any hesitation to speak to the teachers or the principal.
  - In fact, he used to represent the whole class, if we had any problem and needed to talk to our school principal.
  - He has no glossophobia and every year he used to represent the school for debates and declamation contests and he won many trophies for the school.
  - He always used to be selected as the monitor of the class. In college, now he heads the students union.
  - Whenever he talks on any subject, he speaks so well that people listen to him. He can bind his audience very well.
  - He is himself very disciplined and he always used to encourage other students to be punctual.
  - He used to be very good in studies also.
  - He used to be in the good books of all teachers.
  - He could join politics and be a successful politician, but he wants to be an IAS officer.

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Talk about your favorite song. Please say:

- Where did you hear it for the first time?
- Why do you like the song?
- Does it remind you of a special moment?

- ✚ I am very fond of music.
- ✚ I have heard so many songs and am hearing till now but here, I am going to talk about my favourite song i.e 'BOOT POLISHAN' .
- ✚ It is sung by well known and famous Punjabi singer 'GURDAS MANN'.
- ✚ I saw a video of this song on a music channel, before the release of the album.
- ✚ When I saw the video, I was highly impressed by the picturisation of the song.
- ✚ I liked the song and immediately I bought its audio from the market and started listening to this song repeatedly.
- ✚ The lyrics of the song are wonderful and really truthful and touching.
- ✚ The song talks about the importance of hard work in life.
- ✚ This song motivates to do hard work and singer gives the message through this song that,'WORK IS WORSHIP'.
- ✚ It does not matter, whether the work is big or small.
- ✚ Apart from the lyrics, the singer Gurdas Mann has sung the song beautifully.
- ✚ He has made it melodious and effective with his beautiful voice.
- ✚ In addition, the tune of the song and music are so soothing that one wants to hear the song again and again.
- ✚ I like the song so much that I kept the tune of this song as my mobile's ringtone for a long time.
- ✚ I still hear this song on my computer and mobile.

Talk about something that you would like to succeed in doing. Please say

- What is it?
- How would you make it happen?
- Why do you want to do it?
- Do you know someone who has achieved it?

- Everyone sets goals in life and works hard to achieve them.
- I too have set many goals for myself.
- One of my long term goals is to become a successful business entrepreneur.
- I know it would not be easy in today's era of competition.
- But, nothing is impossible and I am sure that with hard work and perseverance I can make it happen.
- I want to achieve it because I want to raise the standard of living of my family and give them a better future.
- I have seen my father sweat and toil to provide us good education and fulfil all our other requirements.
- I want to give my parents a stress-free and happy old-age.
- My cousin, Gaurav, did his MBA from UK and joined his father in their family business.
- They make water coolers.
- In just one year, he raised the turn-over of their firm from 20 lac a year to one crore.
- He has a lot of business acumen and has promised to help me if I enter the field of business.
- I have completed my senior secondary and now I wish to pursue my higher education from Australia in Business management.
- After graduation I would like to work in some big company for 2-3 years to get business know-how.
- Then I shall do MBA and after that I plan to start my own business.
- I really wish to succeed in this venture.