Introduction

A diary records important incidences and feelings of a person's life. It is a personal document where one can write without having any inhibition. A diary, generally, contains all the important events that a person encounters in his lifetime. It may be a conversation with one's close friends, an interview for the first job, first crush, love life, a birthday celebration and so on.

Thus, when after years, one looks back at it, it makes them realize and feel how important that particular day had been in their lives. Through the pages of the diary, one is able to re-live the fun-filled moments of the past life.

Points to Remember:

1. A diary is written in an informal manner.

2. It is completely a personal choice on how to start your diary entry. One might feel comfortable addressing the Diary, another might write "Dear Me". It differs from one individual to another.

3. A diary entry should always be written inside a box. Although, there are no extra marks for the format as it shall be given in the question paper itself but, it is appreciated if the student is familiar with the correct format.

4. Similarly, there are no deductions on exceeding the word limit but, it is preferable that you write the diary entry within the word limit of 50-60 words.

Tips to score more:

1. Marks are awarded on the basis of expression, fluency and relevance.

2. Care should be taken to write informally and candidly, avoiding all unnecessary details.

Lost While Trekking with Friends

Q. Imagine you are on a trek with friends and you had taken a wrong path to find yourself alone. Write a diary entry, in about 50-60 words, describing your experience when you were alone in the hills.

Answer:

Sat, 9th April 20xx 10 P.M. Dear diary, Today was a long, hectic and scary day. While trekking with friends, I lost my way and landed near a cave. It was a strange and creepy place. However, soon I heard voices of my friends calling my name and searching for me. Thank God, I was saved and reunited with my friends. Next time I will try not to stray away. XYZ

Anxiety While Waiting for Results

Your mother has promised to buy you a new tablet computer if you achieve a good result. Explain your anticipation in a diary-entry while waiting for your result and thereby a tablet.

Answer:

Saturday, Oct 12, 20xx 10 P.M. Dear Diary, My mother has finally promised me a tablet on achieving good result. I can't believe I will have my hands over that ravishing white beauty that I always dreamt of. God, please let the result be out quickly. I will not wait for a single moment after the result comes out to get my lovely tablet PC. ABC

How you spent your summer vacations

Q. Write a diary entry describing how you spent your summer vacations.

Answer:

Thursday, 30 July 20xx 11 P.M. Dear Diary, Summer vacation is an exciting time. Everyone gets to spend time with their families and visit places. I had a great vacation this summer. I joined painting classes and made beautiful glass paintings. We also made a trip to Ladakh. I immensely enjoyed the weather there. Now, I feel completely rejuvenated. I am eager to meet my school friends and teachers.

XYZ

Fight over Food

Q. Write a Dairy Entry on how you saw a group of children quarrelling in front of your school, over some serious issue. As Pranjal, share your feelings on it.

Answer:

Monday, 2 May, 20xx 10 P.M. Dear Diary,

I am feeling very sad today.

I met a few children fighting over some morsels of food today in front of my school gate. Their hunger and raw uncouth behaviour touched my soul. Here we are making extra chapattis at home every day or wasting tones of wedding food but who cares about these little kids? Does anyone ever even give a second thought to their plight? I am not even able to imagine the hardships they face every day. I wish I could help them in some way. Indeed, their childhood holds a huge contrast with my mine. Pranjal

As the Poet: The Solitary Reaper

Q. On the basis of your reading of THE SOLITARY REAPER, rewrite the experience of the poet in your own words in the form of a diary entry.

Answer:

Saturday, June 12, 20xx

10 P.M.

Dear Diary,

I have had an amazing experience today.

I had a splendid encounter with a reaper who was working in the fields, singing a melancholic tune to herself. I could not comprehend whether she was actually sad or just singing the tune. However, I must say, I have never heard anything more melodious. She strung an untouched my soul, making an intense deep sorrow emerging from within me. XYZ

As an Astronaut

Q. Given below is a portion of the diary entry of an astronaut. Using these notes, write out a page of his diary in about 50-60 words:

24 Nov—moon—weightless—cannot be precise—on how body behaves astronauts adapt—balance sensors—confuse them—soon body balances—move in zero gravity—on return—time to reorient.

Answer:

Thursday, November 24, 20xx 11:25 P.M. Dear Diary, Amazing feeling! Today, the space craft landed on the moon. As I got down, I felt weightless and my body behaved in an imprecise manner; I had lost control over it. But as an astronaut, I was given training to balance the sensors attached to my dress to balance my body. Soon I could move in zero gravity. I took some time to reorient as I came back to earth. PQR

Caught Bunking Class

Q. Rakesh bunked his class. However, he was caught missing the class and playing in the ground. What happened thereafter? As Rakesh, write a diary entry.

Answer:

Fri, January 18, 20xx 11:15 P.M. Dear diary Today I was not in my high spirits. So, I skipped a class and hid in the playground. But as fate would have it, I was caught by our principal who called my class teacher and warned me. As I entered the class, everybody started laughing at me. The teacher silenced them but I was really embarrassed. Not a good day at all! Rakesh

Birthday Party Where Younger Brother Embarrasses Sister

Q. Manisha Jaiswal is a 15-year-old with an 8-year-old brother, Prabhat. Her mother, who really pampers Prabhat, insists Manisha take him along wherever she goes. Today,

Prabhat accompanied Manisha to her friend, Nidhi's birthday party, and to her embarrassment, misbehaved there. He spilt the cold drink on the sofa and threw a tantrum

because he wanted to pull down the balloons. As Manisha, using ideas from the Unit 'Childhood' of your Main Course Book and your own ideas, write a the diary entry recalling the events at the birthday party.

Answer:

Tues, March 13, 20xx 11:30 P.M. Dear Diary, Today my younger brother Prabhat misbehaved at the birthday party of Nidhi. He spilt cold drink on the sofa and further threw a tantrum to pull down balloons on the walls. Nidhi's mother consoled me saying that for a child such behaviour was normal. I gave a slap to Prabhat. Later, Prabhat complained to my mom. She slapped me in turn. I think she has pampered Prabhat a bit too much. Overall, today was a very bad day. Manisha

As a Mirror

Q. You are a mirror in the room of a young girl. Imagine yourself as the mirror. Make a diary entry on a day in your life. in about 50-60 words.

Answer:

Mon, January 16, 20xx

10 P.M.

Dear Diary,

Today the girl in whose room I have spend most of my life threw something at me. For a moment I thought I am going to break into millions of pieces. I believe she had a fight with her parents today. She was so angry and sad at the same time that she threw her pencil box at me. Thank god, I withstood her rage. Mirror

As a Convict Whose Wife Has Died

Q. Imagine you are a man whose wife has died without treatment or food. You had tried to steal for her sake but were caught and imprisoned. While stealing food for your sick and starving wife, you were caught red handed and sent to jail. Later, she died without medicine as well as food. Your pain knows no bounds. Write your feelings in the form of a diary entry.

Answer:

Wed, February 17, 20xx

11:15 P.M.

I have no words... I am too depressed and angry. An inspector told me that my wife has passed away. This cannot be true! I loved her so much and stole for her. But these heartless people will never understand. I have no reason to survive, but survive I will. I want to take revenge from these people in authority although I know that crime cannot be erased by committing another one. Convict

Blood Donation Camp

Q. You had volunteered in a blood donation camp. Write a diary entry on your experience of a blood donation camp.

Answer:

Tuesday, March 20, 20xx

11 P.M.

Dear Dairy,

Today was a very hectic day as I took part in a blood donation camp organised by the local Rotary Club. It was a relief drive for the victims of the recent earthquake. I am proud to have been a part of this noble cause. Many donors donate as an act of charity which is immensely noble on their parts. After all, it is indeed a wonderful feeling. ABC