

8th ENGLISH 2nd TERM - STUDY MATERIAL FOR S.A.**ONE WORD ANSWERS:**

1. Lakshmi bai was born in **Benaras.**
2. The British occupied all of India at the year **1857.**
3. Manikarnika was the name of the river **Ganga.**
4. Manu was called “chhabili” which means **the sweet one .**
5. Rani Lakshmibai said, “I will not give up Jhansi” this shows her **Patriotism.**
6. Her last words reveal her **generous spirit.**
7. Her preparation for the 1st war of Independence speaks of her **determination.**
8. The Hindus would not touch **beef.**
9. Who is addressed in the first and last stanzas of the poem, ‘Land of our birth, we pledge to thee’ **Motherland.**
10. Saruli was a **13 years** old girl.
11. Old Diwan Singh was the village **Headman.**
12. Dr. Salim Ali is one of the world’s most famous **ornithologists.**
13. Japanese art of folding papers so as to make bird forms is called **Origami.**
14. Bird watching can be **done anywhere.**
15. The Birdman of India is **Dr. Salim Ali.**
16. People who study birds are called **Ornithologists .**
17. Birds have been used as **Messengers.**
18. Beautiful birds have inspired **Poets.**
19. Johnny was wearing **dirty Clothes.**
20. People have watched birds **occasionally.**
21. Kopje is a **hill.**
22. The African farmers presented ant-eaters to the president of **Zimbabwe.**
23. **Pangolin** is winner of the next day.

Synonyms:-

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| 1. Mutiny- rebel | 2. Onslaught- violent attack | 3. Defy – disobey |
| 4. Ammunition - weapons | 5. Futile – useless | 6. Neath – beneath, under |
| 7. Furiously- violently | 8. Bruised - hurt | 9. Pursue - follow |
| 10. peril - danger | | |

Antonyms:-

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| 1. Charm x ugliness | 2. Smoothen x roughen | 3. Strange x common | 4. Defy x accept |
| 5. brave x frightened | 6. Host x guest | 7. Annoyed x pleased | 8. Triumph x defeat |
| 9. Prey x predator | 10. excited x bored | 11. Accept x reject | 12. Freedom x slavery |
| 13. Huge x tiny | 14. Always x never | | |

Match the following:-

1. The National flag – is hoisted
2. The flag song – is sung
3. The campus – is filled with gaiety
4. The birds – are seen in the sky
5. The sweets – are distributed
6. The function - is presided over by the principal.

Similies are comparisons. Complete the similes with the names of the animal:-
(peacock , cheetah , fox , mule , lamb , lion , ox , monkey)

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| 1. As meek as a <u>lamb</u> . | ஆட்டுக்குட்டி போல சாது |
| 2. As strong as a <u>ox</u> . | காளை போன்ற வலிமை |
| 3. As stubborn as a <u>mule</u> . | கோவேறு கழுதை போன்ற தாங்கும் திறன் |
| 4. As clever as a <u>monkey</u> . | குரங்கு போன்ற புத்திசாலித்தனம் |
| 5. As fast as a <u>cheetah</u> . | சிறுத்தை போன்ற வேகம் |
| 6. As brave as a <u>lion</u> . | சிங்கம் போன்ற துணிச்சல் |
| 7. As sly as a <u>fox</u> . | நரி போன்ற தந்திரம் |
| 8. As proud as a <u>peacock</u> . | மயில் போன்ற மிடுக்கு |

Poem:

LAND OF OUR BIRTH, WE PLEDGE TO THEE

Land of our birth, we pledge to thee
our love and toil in the years to be,
when we are grown and take our place
as men and women with our race.

Father in heaven, who lovest all,
O help thy children when they call,
that they may build from age to age
an undefiled heritage.....

Write your own slogans or couplets on any one of the following topics.

- Save tigers:-**
 1. Save the tigers, save our nation's pride.
 2. Save the tigers, save them to live like us.
- Save the forests:-**
 1. Save the forests, save the earth.
 2. Save the forests, save the nature.
 3. Save the forests, save the mankind.
 4. Save the forests, save the only living planet.
- Global warming :-**
 1. Global warming is a global warning.
 2. Reduce global warming, reduce global danger.
 3. Take risk to stop global warming, because it is a risk to mankind.

Write four words that belong to the same semantic field for the words given below.

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| 1. space | (a) <u>satelite</u> | (b) <u>aircraft</u> | (c) <u>milky way</u> | (d) <u>ozone layer</u> |
| 2. business | (a) <u>money</u> | (b) <u>tax</u> | (c) <u>company</u> | (d) <u>bonus</u> |
| 3. technology | (a) <u>computer</u> | (b) <u>robot</u> | (c) <u>radar</u> | (d) <u>invention</u> |
| 4. occupation | (a) <u>teacher</u> | (b) <u>doctor</u> | (c) <u>engineer</u> | (d) <u>photographer</u> |
| 5. factory | (a) <u>machine</u> | (b) <u>workers</u> | (c) <u>capital</u> | (d) <u>product</u> |

Say whether the highlighted verbs in the following sentences are Transitive or Intransitive.

செய்படுபொருள் (Object) இருக்கும் வினைச்சொல் Transitive verb ஆகும்
செய்படுபொருள் (Object) இல்லாத வினைச்சொல் Intransitive verb ஆகும்

1. Please, pass the salt. Transitive .
2. Valli kicked the ball. Transitive .
3. Water boils at 100°C. Intransitive .
4. Sam eats mangoes. Transitive .
5. You must obey the elders. Transitive .

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| 6. Stars twinkle at night. | Intransitive . |
| 7. The sun shines brightly. | Intransitive . |
| 8. Don't wait here. | Intransitive . |
| 9. Joe hit the ball forcefully. | Transitive . |
| 10. I write a letter. | Transitive . |
| 11. He ran away. | Intransitive . |
| 12. Ramu reads a Novel. | Transitive . |
| 13. They play cricket. | Transitive . |
| 14. The car stopped silently. | Intransitive . |

Translate the following words in tamil

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| 1. Zoo | - மிருகக்காட்சி சாலை |
| 2. Sanctuary | - சரணாலயம் |
| 3. Escalator | - இயங்கும் படிகட்டு |
| 4. Pharmacy | - மருந்துக் கடை |
| 5. Subway | - சுரங்கப்பாதை |
| 6. Service centre | - சேவை மையம் |

Point out whether the verbs in the sentences are active or passive forms:-

Voice இரண்டு வகைப்படும்

1) **Active Voice** - செய்வினை

எ.கா: நான் ஒரு கடிதம் எழுதினேன்

2) **Passive Voice** - செயப்பாட்டு வினை

எ.கா: ஒரு கடிதம் என்னால் எழுதப்பட்டது

I write a letter

- **Active Voice**

(write – Active form verb)

A letter is written by me

- **Passive voice**

(is written – Passive form verb)

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| 1. You gave him your pen. | = Active form. |
| 2. A lesson is read by kannan. | = Passive form. |
| 3. Birds fly swiftly in the sky. | = Active form. |
| 4. We expect good news. | = Active form. |
| 5. You help me. | = Active form. |
| 6. The parcel was opened secretly. | = Passive form. |
| 7. A letter is written by me. | = Passive form. |
| 8. They sing songs in the assembly. | = Active form. |
| 9. He has built a house in his native place. | = Active form. |
| 10. A notice was sent by the manager. | = Passive form. |

(வெறும் வினைச்சொல் Active form ஆகும்.

is, was போன்ற be verb + pp form of verb என்றவாறு வந்தால் Passive form ஆகும்

Translation :-

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| 1. All that glitters is not gold. | - மின்னுவதெல்லாம் பொன்னல்ல. |
| 2. A friend in need is a friend indeed. | - உற்ற நேரத்தில் உதவும் நண்பனே உண்மையான நண்பன். |
| 3. Blood is thicker than water. | - தான் ஆடாவிட்டாலும் தன் தசை ஆடும். |
| 4. Barking dogs seldom bite. | - குறைக்கின்ற நாய் கடிக்காது. |
| 5. Covet all, lose all. | - பேராசை பெரு நட்பும். |
| 6. East or West home is best. | - எலி வளையானாலும் தனி வளை வேண்டும். |
| 7. Face is the index of the mind. | - அகத்தின் அழகு முகத்தில் தெரியும். |
| 8. Health is wealth. | - நோயற்ற வாழ்வே குறைவற்ற செல்வம். |
| 9. Haste makes waste. | - பதறிய காரியம் சிதறிப்போகும் (பதறாத காரியம் சிதறாது) |

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| 10. Honesty is the best policy. | - நேர்மையே சிறந்த கொள்கை. |
| 11. Look before you leap. | - ஆழமறியாமல் காலைவிடாதே. |
| 12. Many drops of water make a mighty ocean- | சிறுதுளி பெரு வெள்ளம். |
| 13. God is love. | - அன்பே கடவுள். |
| 14. Let us never forget beginnings. | - எப்பொழுதும் கடந்து வந்த பாதையை மறவாதே. |
| 15. Walking is a good exercise. | - நடைபயிற்சி சிறந்த உடற்பயிற்சி. |
| 16. No smoke without fire. | - நெருப்பில்லாமல் புகையாது. |
| 17. Old is gold. | - பழமை பொன் போன்றது. |
| 18. Prevention is better than cure. | - வரும்முன் காப்பது சிறந்தது. |
| 19. Self help is the best help. | - தன் கையே தனக்கு உதவி. |
| 20. Unity is Strength. | - ஒற்றுமையே பலம். |
| 21. Work more talk less. | - அதிகம் உழை குறைவாக பேசு. |

Change direct Speech into indirect Speech.

- ஒருவர் கூறுவதை அவர் சொல்லுவது போலவே திருப்பிச் சொன்னால் அது Direct speech - நேர்கூற்று.
- அவர் கூறுவதை மாற்றி நாம் கூறுவது போல் கூறினால் அது Indirect speech - அயற்கூற்று.

நேர்கூற்றை அயற்கூற்றாக மாற்ற நினைவில் கொள்ள வேண்டியவை

1. மேற்கோள் குறியை நீக்குக
2. said to / said –ஐ told / asked / ordered / exclaimed என மாற்றுக
3. Conjunction சேர் (Statement/Exclamatory Conjunction – that, Imperative conjunction – to)
4. Pronoun மாற்று (I → he/she we → they you → he/she/they)
5. Tense மாற்று (பொதுவாக Past tense ஆக மாற்ற வேண்டும்)
6. *Format–ஐ மாற்று (வினா வடிவில் உள்ளதை சாதாரணமாக மாற்றுக)
7. Time Adverbial மாற்று (now→then, today→that day, here→there

Example: He said, “I go to Madurai.” (Direct Speech)

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| Step-1 | : He said I go to Madurai. |
| Step-2 | : no change |
| Step-3 | : He said that I go to Madurai. |
| Step-4 | : He said that he go to Madurai. |
| Step-5 | : He said that he went to Madurai. |
| Step-6 | : no change |
| Step-7 | : no change |

Answer: He said that he went to Madurai. (Indirect speech)

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| 1. The teacher said, “Honesty is the best policy”. | The teacher said that Honesty is the best policy. |
| 2. The captain said, “Stand at ease”. | The captain ordered the soldiers to Stand at ease. |
| 3. “We are in some danger” said Miss Mebbin. | Miss Mebbin said that they were in some danger. |
| 4. The mother said, “Balu, don’t touch that live wire. | The mother advised Balu not to touch that live wire. |
| 5. Vikram said, “Krishna, Please lend me your book.” | Vikram told Krishna to lend him his book. |
| 6. He says, “ I am happy.” | He says that he is happy. |
| 7. She said, “I have done my home work.” | She said that she had been done her home work. |
| 8. The teacher said, “ Ashok will certainly pass.” | The teacher said that Ashok would certainly pass. |
| 9. My brother said, “I may go to Mumbai.” | My brother said that he might go to Mumbai. |
| 10. He said, “The earth moves round the sun.” | He said that the earth moves round the sun. |

Identify the animals associated with the following phrases:-**(like a chameleon, cock-and-bull story, crocodile tears, dog days.)**

1. Hot days of the year – **dog days.**
2. An unbelievable story – **a cock and bull story.**
3. To shed false tears – **crocodile tears.**
4. Changing colours – **like a chameleon.**

Paragraph:-

1. Write a paragraph about “Sepoy Mutiny”.
 - During the year 1857, The British occupied all of India.
 - Their armies were full of Indian soldiers.
 - They were very hurt, because the new Cartridges were made with fat from pigs and cows.
 - The Muslims did not touch pork.
 - The Hindus worshiped cow as God.
 - So, sepoys of the Bengal army attacked their British officers.
 - Thousands of soldiers turned against their British officers.
 - Thus the sepoy mutiny had begun.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:-**1. What was the name given to Lakshmibai by her parents?**

Manikarnika was the name given to Lakshmibai by her parents.

2. What was she called by everyone? What does it mean?

She was called ‘**Chhabili**’ by everyone. It means ‘**the sweet one**’.

3. What was the title given to the Maratha Ruler?

‘**Peswa**’ was the title given to the Maratha Ruler.

4. Why did Gangadhar Rao adopt a son?

Lakshmibai’s son died. Gangadhar Rao was childless. So he adopted a son to be his heir.

5. What were her last words?

“**Give my jewels to my soldiers and look after little Damodar**” were her last words.

6. Who is addressed in the first and last stanzas?

Motherland is addressed in the first and last stanzas.

7. How should we use our strength?

We should use our strength **to comfort man’s distress.**

8. What do the children pledge to the nation?

The children pledge **to give their mind, heart and hands to the nation.**

9. Who is Diwan Singh?

Diwan Singh was the **headman of her village.**

10. Why did the government of china decide to kill sparrows?

The government of china decided to kill sparrows. Because **they destroyed crops.**

11. Why are birds important in the web of life?

Birds are **harmless.** They **give enjoyment.** They **inspire poets, musicians and artists.** So they are important.

12. Why do fisherman get angry with crocodiles?

Fisherman got angry with crocodiles **because they ate fish.**

13. Where does the poet feel the tiger should be?

The poet feels the tiger should be **in the forest.**

14. Where does the tiger, described in the poem, live?

The tiger, described in the poem, lives in the zoo.

15. Where did the anteater and the Dassie live?

The ant eater and Dassie lived near the Limpopo river.

Write a letter to the commissioner of your area complaining about the insanitary conditions there.

Thirupparaithurai,
20-11-15.

From

E.Jaivant,
No:5, New Street,
Anna Nagar, Trichy.

To

The commissioner,
Municipal corporation,
Thiruchirappalli.

Respected Sir,

Sub: Complain about the insanitary conditions in our street

For the last two years, our street has not been repaired. It has many pits. During the rainy season, rain water gets stagnated in the pits. It is the breeding place of mosquitoes, It spreads many diseases. The drainage system also failed at times.

I shall therefore request you to make on the spot study of this street and take necessary steps as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,
E. Jaivant.

Address on the envelope:-

The commissioner,
Municipal corporation,
Thiruchirappalli.

Write a letter to your father asking permission to join an excursion.

Thirupparaithurai,
15-10-15.

My dear father,

I am studying well. Our class Teacher has arranged an excursion to Ooty. Please permit me to join and send me Rs. 500/-

Thanking you.

Yours lovingly,
E. Nidharshan.

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