

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Term Worksheet [2018 – 19]

Subject – English Language

Class – VIII

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## [Chapter –10]

### [Reported Speech]

- [A] Ron is down with fever. The doctor gave him the following advice. Write what Ron may have reported. Begin each sentence with *The doctor told me.../ He advised me .....* [79]

*Take these tablets every six hours.*

*Don't go out.*

*Rest in bed.*

*Don't force yourself to eat if you've lost your appetite.*

*Drink lots of water.*

*Stay away from other people.*

1. The doctor told me to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. He \_\_\_\_\_.
3. \_\_\_\_\_.
4. \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_.
6. \_\_\_\_\_.

- [B] Change the sentences into the *reported speech*: [84]

1. "You are not working hard," he said.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. "I will see you next week," she said.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. "I've finished my work," said Kunal.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. "Come in, Anurag," said the manager.  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. "Wait here till I come," he said.  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. He said, "I'll be back soon."  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. "I don't know him," she said.  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Rimi said, "I'm staying with my uncle."  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. "David broke the glass," said Geetika.  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. "I met him five days ago," he said.  
\_\_\_\_\_
11. 'I will answer the phone," said the girl.  
\_\_\_\_\_
12. He said, "I'm leaving for Mumbai tomorrow."  
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13. He has just said, "I'm leaving for Mumbai tomorrow."  
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14. "Prateek has taken my camera," said John.

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15. "Don't copy from the next boy," said the teacher.

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[C] Rewrite the sentences in the *reported speech*: [85]

1. "Where are my glasses?" he said.

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2. "What are you doing?" she asked.

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3. "When is the next train?" I asked them.

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4. "Where do you live?" he said.

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5. "Are you going to the post office?" Ann said.

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6. "Is your father in?" he said.

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7. "Have your uncle gone to Chennai?" she asked.

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8. "Which train did you take?" she asked.

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9. "What does this sari cost?" Mona asked the shopkeeper.

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10. "Did you understand her?" I said.

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11. "Who can do this puzzle?" he said to us.

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12. "What's the time?" she asked me.

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13. "Is this your pen?" he asked me.

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14. "Where are you going for your holidays?" I asked them.

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15. "Where did I leave my sweater?" he said.

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[D] Rewrite the sentences in the *reported speech*: [86]

1. "Would you like tea?" she asked.

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2. "Have you been working hard?" he said.

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3. "Are you going to marry her?" I asked.

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4. "Have you been to Agra?" I said. "What other places have you visited?"

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5. "Where does Mr. Ashok Mehta live? He said. "Do you think he is at home?"
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6. "Good afternoon, Yash," said Robert. "Why are you standing here?"
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7. "I've passed my exam." "Congratulations!"
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8. "You've stepped on my foot!" "Sorry."
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9. "Would you post this letter when you go out?" she said
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10. "Happy Christmas!" said Andy. "Thanks," said John.
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11. "The weather is fine," he said. "Shall we go for a picnic?"
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12. The teacher looking over Naman's homework, said, "I don't understand how it is possible for a single person to make so many mistakes."
- "It wasn't a single person, sir," said Naman proudly. "Father helped me."
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**[Chapter – 19]**

**[Comprehension]**

**[A] Read the passage and answer the questions that follow: [155-156]**

Without oil the modern world could not exist. Oil is needed for travel, because it powers our motor cars, buses, trains, aeroplanes and ships. Oil helps machines of all kinds to turn easily. Oil also gives us other substances, such as artificial rubber, artificial materials for clothing, and new materials for making things. Yet till hundred years ago no one used oil for any of these purposes. In fact, no one knew that much oil existed.

Men do not make oil; they find it. They look for oil in many ways. They begin by making a map of the land where they are searching. Then they use the map to help them in choosing a site to explore with more care. They start their work by examining the rock from under the surface and come to know whether oil is likely to be underneath the rock.

To find out how deeply the oil is buried they need to know how far under the surface the rock is. If everything seems hopeful the men now decide to drill down through the rock. In this way they will find out whether oil really does lie underneath it. Often this test-well, as it is called, is far away from any town and there is much work to do before any drilling starts. Houses and roads must be built for the people coming to drill the test-well. Then the big derrick that carries the drill must be put up. This derrick is a strong framework of steel about 45 metres high. The drill is raised and lowered from inside the derrick.

Drilling for oil often means making a well that goes very deep into the earth. Such deep wells have never been made until modern times. The rate of drilling depends upon the kind of rock being drilled: it can be as fast as 60 metres an hour. Drilling is usually done on dry land,

but we can also drill the rock under lakes or seas by putting the derrick on a special platform above the water.

Most of the oil in the world is found in North America, Russia, the Caribbean area (including Trinidad) and the Middle East. However, oil is also being found in Nigeria, India and Pakistan. In India the first oilfield to be discovered was at Digboi in Upper Assam. Recently more oil fields have been found in Assam, at Nahorkatiya and Moran. In Western India oil has been flowing from Ankleshwar since 1962.

1. What do these paragraphs deal with? Find suitable headings for them. Choose from the phrases in the box:

the derrick

drilling for oil

how to look for oil

uses of oil

how oil is made

regions where oil is found

Paragraph 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Paragraph 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Paragraph 3 and 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Paragraph 5 \_\_\_\_\_

2. How is oil useful to machines?

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3. How do men go about looking for oil?

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4. What is a derrick?

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5. Complete these sentences:

- a) Before the men decide to drill down through the rock they should

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- b) The rock under lakes can be drilled by \_\_\_\_\_

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- c) Oil is found in the following countries: \_\_\_\_\_

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- d) In India oil has been found \_\_\_\_\_

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6.

Find words in the passage which mean the following:

[156]

a.

travel into or through (a place) in order to learn about (paras 1 and 2)

\_\_\_\_\_

b.

make a hole (para 3)

\_\_\_\_\_
7.

The words given below have been used as verbs in the paragraph. Make sentences using them as nouns:

[156]

a.

powers

\_\_\_\_\_

b.

helps

\_\_\_\_\_

c.

look

\_\_\_\_\_

d.

start

\_\_\_\_\_
8.

Write the synonyms of the following words:

[156]

substance

\_\_\_\_\_

artificial

\_\_\_\_\_

explore

\_\_\_\_\_

underneath

\_\_\_\_\_

[B]

Read the poem and answer the questions that follow:

[156-157]

Letter From A Parent

Dear Sir,

I feel I ought to write

About Tom's essay-work last night.

Of all the subjects you have set

This seemed the most unwise yet.

"Describe your family"... Tom wrote it

So well, I just had to stop it

Being handed in:- so did my wife.

The details of your family life

Are not such a kind, alas

That I should want them read in class:

We did not wish staff

To read them for a-lunch-hour-laugh.

We tore it out. I realize.

You may think what we did unwise-

But give it your consideration

And please accept my explanation.

I trust you will not blame my son,

For, after all, the work was done.

Yours truly,

Harold Honey bun

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Complete the following sentences:

[157]

a.

The father stopped his con form submitting the essay to the teacher because

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b.

Submitting the essay to the teacher would cause the staff of the school to

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[illegible]

3. What is the meaning of the expression a-lunch-hour-laugh?

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1. Imagine you are the secretary of the culture club of your school. Write a report of the cultural Day/Week celebrated in your school.

2. Imagine you are a new reporter. You have seen or heard about a road accident and obtained the details of the accident. Write a report of the accident for your newspaper.

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## The importance of water

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During your stay while visiting the Taj Mahal you faced some difficulties. Inform the hotel authorities about those difficulties you had during your stay. Also suggest how they could better their services.

[illegible]

# Abraham Lincoln

[illegible]

[illegible]



About 20 days ago you sent Rs. 1000 by M.O. to your friend/relative. You have just heard that he (or she) has not received the money. Write a letter of complaint to the portal authorities.

[illegible]

Read this telephone conversation below:

Jim : Yes.

Jim : No, he isn't.

Jim : Yes. Would you like to leave a message for my father?

[illegible]