

WINTER HOLIDAYS HOMEWORK
CLASS - VI
SESSION - 2025-2026
SUBJECT- ENGLISH

‘Holidays are the best time to learn beyond books.’

Dear Children

Your English Holidays Homework will be assessed as Written Assignment on the basis of the following criteria:

- Content
- Expression
- Accuracy

Parents are requested to encourage their ward to attempt the work prescribed by the English Teachers on the basis of Main Course Book (Hello English) and Literature Reader.

I. MCB- Attempt the given Art Integrated Activity for any of the following chapters of the MCB on an A4/A3 size sheet

The chapter to choose from-

- a) The Martians
- b) APJ Abdul Kalam
- c) Behind Monet’s Water Lilies

Choose **one character** and design a *Character Passport* including the following details:

- Character Name
- Story Title
- Personality Traits (*with evidence from the text*)
- Strengths and Weaknesses
- One Important Quote
- One Decision taken by the character that changed the story

Decoration: Use stamps, symbols, borders, or small illustrations to make it attractive.

II. Competency based questions (Attempt the following questions in your assignment notebooks)

A) Short-Answer Questions

Answer the following questions and 30 to 40 words.

- a) What does Miss Fairchild’s behavior reveal about social perceptions and appearances?
- b) How does the title “*Hearts and Hands*” reflect both literal and symbolic meanings in the story?
- c) Relate the theme of the story to a real-life situation where small issues grow due to neglect
- d) What does the stone symbolise in the context of the story?
- e) Identify two poetic devices used in the poem and explain their effect.
- f) What emotions does the poem evoke, and how does the poet achieve this?
- g) How does the poet use humour to convey a deeper message?

h) What role does imagination play in making the poem engaging?

B) Long- Answer Questions

Answer the following questions and 80-100 words.

- a) Though humorous and imaginative, the poem conveys an important lesson. Analyze how Edward Lear uses nonsense verse to warn readers about curiosity and carelessness.
- b) The stone becomes a source of conflict and learning in the story. Analyze how a small object leads to misunderstanding and tension, and explain the lesson the author wants readers to learn.
- c) The marshal makes a silent sacrifice by exchanging places with the prisoner. Examine his action and discuss what it reveals about duty, empathy, and moral courage. How does this act shape the message of the story?
- d) How does the poet use the laburnum to show that beauty does not need to be loud or grand to be powerful? Support your answer with ideas from the poem.

C) Multiple Choice Questions

- 1) Read the two statements given below and choose the correct option.
Assertion (A): Miss Fairchild feels more sympathetic toward the marshal.
Reason (R): She believes the marshal is the criminal in handcuffs.
A. Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason explains Assertion
B. Both Assertion and Reason are true but Reason does not explain Assertion
C. Assertion is true, Reason is false
D. Assertion is false, Reason is true
- 2) The title "*Hearts and Hands*" mainly suggests:
A. Physical strength
B. Emotional control
C. Human kindness and responsibility
D. Social status
- 3) Read the two statements given below and choose the correct option.
Statement I: The stone is ignored by everyone passing the road.
Statement II: The problem grows because people expect others to act.
A. Both statements are true
B. Both statements are false
C. I is true, II is false
D. I is false, II is true
- 4) The central message of *The Stone* is that:
A. Problems disappear on their own
B. Small actions can prevent big troubles
C. Authority should solve all issues
D. Nature causes human suffering
- 5) Which poetic device is prominently used to describe the laburnum?
A. Irony
B. Personification
C. Alliteration
D. Hyperbole
- 6) Despite being humorous, the poem, "The Pobble who has no toes" teaches:
A. Adventure is always dangerous
B. Curiosity should be avoided

- C. Carelessness can have consequences
- D. Nature is cruel

7) Read the two statements given below and choose the correct option.

Statement I: The Pobble loses his toes due to curiosity.

Statement II: The poem warns readers about carelessness.

- A. Both statements are true
- B. Both statements are false
- C. I is true, II is false
- D. I is false, II is true

8) Read the two statements given below and choose the correct option.

Assertion (A): The stone becomes a cause of suffering.

Reason (R): No one takes responsibility to remove it.

- A. Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason explains Assertion
- B. Both Assertion and Reason are true but Reason does not explain Assertion
- C. Assertion is true, Reason is false
- D. Assertion is false, Reason is true

9) Read the two statements given below and choose the correct option.

Assertion (A): The laburnum symbolises hope and beauty.

Reason (R): It stands out vividly against its background.

- A. Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason explains Assertion
- B. Both Assertion and Reason are true but Reason does not explain Assertion
- C. Assertion is true, Reason is false
- D. Assertion is false, Reason is true

10) What makes the poem, 'The Pobble who has no toes' a nonsense poem?

- A. Lack of rhyme
- B. Unreal events and exaggeration
- C. Absence of characters
- D. Serious moral tone

Note- Revise the entire syllabus taken up before the winter break and complete pending work/worksheets if any.