

SSLC STUDENTS FOR CENTUM
SSLC ENGLISH I & II - PAPER- IMPORTANT FIVE MARKS PARAGRAPH

(PROSE, POEM & DRAMA)

LESSON 1

THE MODEL MILLIONAIRE:

AUTHOR INTRODUCTION:

Oscar Wilde, the brilliant wit and playwright, was born in Dublin in 1854. He was a gifted poet, playwright and wit. He had written a number of short stories such as, "The Happy Prince", and successful plays such as "The Importance of being Earnest".

SYNOPSIS:

- ♥ Introduction
- ♥ Hughie's financial Status
- ♥ Condition Laid by Colonel
- ♥ Hughie's Sympathy
- ♥ The beggar's True Identity
- ♥ A Surprise gift
- ♥ Conclusion

INTRODUCTION

'The Model Millionaire' is a short story picturises a Kind hearted , Generous Millionaire and gives a surprise ending.

"A Millionaire should be generous and help others"

HUGHIE'S FINANCIAL STATUS

Hughie was a good looking man. He was popular with men and women. He was a young man with the perfect profile. His financial status was very low because he had no profession.

"Unless one is Wealthy there is no use in being a charming fellow."

CONDITION LAID BY COLONEL:

Hughie wanted to marry Laura Merton, but her father colonel asked him to bring ten thousand pounds for the engagement. Hughie was unable to fulfill Colonel's condition because he had no job and was really very upset.

"Romance is the privilege of the rich, not the profession of unemployed."

HUGHIE'S SYMPATHY

Hughie visited his friend Alan Trevor, the painter one day. He saw a beggar model there. The beggar looked so pathetic. He took pity on him. He gave a sovereign to him.

"The poor should be practical and prosaic"

THE BEGGARS TRUE IDENTITY:

The beggar was not a real beggar. He was Baron Hausberg, one of the richest man in Europe. He could buy all London tomorrow without overdrawing his account.

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“He has a house in every capital, dines off gold plate.”

A SURPRISE GIFT:

Baron realized the kind heart of Hughie. He also came to know about Hughie’s wedding condition. Baron as a real millionaire wanted to help him. He presented a cheque of ten thousand pounds as a wedding gift.

“A wedding present to Hugh Erskine and Laura Merton, from an old beggar,”

CONCLUSION:

A millionaire should be generous and help others. Baron Hausberg proved he was a real millionaire.

“Millionaire Models are rare enough, Model Millionaires are rarer still!”

CONCEPT:

“ It is better to have a permanent income than to be fascinating”

MORAL:

“ Appearances are deceptive”

LESSON-2:

UNIT-2-MUSIC-THE HOPE RAISER

AUTHOR INTRODUCTION:

Dr. Karl Paulnack, Pianist and Director of the music division at the Boston conservatory is hailed as the “Fire cracker of a Pianist” and Master of his Instrument

by the Boston globe, the famous American daily.

SYNOPSIS:

- ♥ Introduction
- ♥ Music as a career
- ♥ Music Different from Astronomy
- ♥ Messiah spend his time in prison
- ♥ The fall of Twin Tower
- ♥ Conclusion

INTRODUCTION:

This lesson is the fantastic welcome address given by him to the parents of the incoming students at the Boston on September 1,2004.

MUSIC AS A CAREER:

Dr. Karl Paulnack feels his parents feared that if he choose music as his career, society would not appreciate him. Though the author is very good in maths and science, he was interested in music. His parents are willing that he would become a better doctor. Society has classified music as a part of “Art and Entertainment”. According to the poet

“Music is the opposite of entertainment”

MUSIC DIFFERENT FROM ASTRONOMY:

Greeks saw astronomy as the study of relationship between
Permanent

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External object
Observable

Music was seen as the study of relationship between

- ♥ Invisible
- ♥ Internal
- ♥ Hidden objects.

MESSIAN SPEND HIS TIME IN PRISON:

Dr.paulnack touches the story of “Oliver Messian”. Oliver Messian spent his time in prison by composing music. He was a prisoner of war. There was a cellist Violinist and a Clarinetist in the camp along with him. He wrote his “Quartet for the end of time” in 1940.

THE FALL OF TWIN TOWER:

Dr. Paulnack thought that it was irreverent to play the piano on September 12, 2001 as the Twin Tower were destroyed by the terrorist only the previous day. He thought that after the terrible incident, Music had no meaning. But on the very evening of September 11th, he saw people singing around fire houses.

- “We shall Overcome” and
- “America the beautiful”

CONCLUSION:

Dr.Paulnack realized that music is not just entertainment or past time. Music is the basic need for human survival.

CONCEPT:

- Music, a way to express feelings.
- Music is an expression of joy.

PROVERB:

“Friendship is like a music which binds two heart in a melody of togetherness.

**UNIT-3
A GOLDEN PATH**

AUTHOR INTRODUCTION:

Gopala Krishna Gokhale was a great freedom fighter of our country. He delivered a speech in response to the address presented to him by students, on 25th July 1911 at an open air public meeting near Victory Hall, Mumbai.

The Various Duties of Student are in the following. They are

- ♥ Duty to fellow students
- ♥ Duty to yourself
- ♥ Duty to parents and teachers
- ♥ Duty to government
- ♥ Duty to underworld

DUTY TO FELLOW STUDENTS:

Duty to fellow students teach us the habit of co-operation. We learn how to use opportunities, we know how to get on with others. Sometimes we have to give into them. We should be considerate and regardful of other feelings.

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“Habit of co-operation once acquired will continue
With you all your life”

DUTY TO PARENTS AND TEACHERS:

As a Student,we should be obedient to our parents. We should respect our teachers. It is very important to gain Knowledge.

“Teachers create opportunities for us and we should make fullest use”

DUTY TO YOURSELF:

The duty to yourself is two Unfold, The first to gain stock of knowledge. The second one to maintain good character.

“Character and Knowledge are very important”

CONCLUSION:

If character is lost, everything is lost.

LESSON-4:

WILL THRUST BECOME UNQUENCHABLE-UNIT-4

SYNOPSIS:

- ♥ Introduction
- ♥ Chaya’s Routine
- ♥ Water Supply for Nehru Camp
- ♥ Plight of life
- ♥ Expert’s comments
- ♥ Conclusion

INTRODUCTION:

This is an article from “The Big Melt” by Brook Larmer. It was published In the National Geographic, special edition on”Water”, in April 2010.

The lesson Will thirst become unquenchable talks about water scarcity prevailing in Nehru camp, a Slum 180 miles south of Himalayan Glaciers.

CHAYA’S ROUTINE:

Chaya, a 25 year old wife of a fortune teller, struggles for 7 hours a day trying to get water. Chaya one of the slum dwellers begins her day much before sunrise. The rumour of water sends Chaya and her family running through the Slum’s narrow corridors.

“After much struggle, she is able to get only
10 gallons of water in the afternoon”

It is only after fetching water she gives her children the first meal of the day. She longs to send her children to school, but she is helpless because of water scarcity

“Men cannot survive without water”

WATER SUPPLY FOR NEHRU CAMPS:

A major portion of this city’s water supply depends on Yamuna and ganga. The rivers originate from the Himalayas.

“If the Ice disappears, the future will become worse”

Diwan singh-an Environmental activist says that:

“Nehru camp Peoples are facing unsustainable situation”

PLIGHT OF LIFE:

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Kamal Bhate, a local astrologer watching the chaotic situation, comments that “Every morning people wake up fighting for water”

Water Scarcity may lead to violent fights

EXPERT’S COMMENTS:

According to Peter Gleick, a water expert and the president of the Pacific Institute in Oakland, California, climate changes says that

“The Result in reduction in water supply could pull down the production of pulses, Within 30 days”

CONCLUSION:

This article serves as a warning, to create an awareness among people on conservation and proper use of water.

“Life without water is Impossible”

PROVERB:

“Donate Blood ! Save life ! Grow Trees! Save Water!”

CONCEPT:

Indulge in Rain Water Harvesting Scheme as an Individual Role to prevent Water Scarcity.

POEM-1

BEAUTIFUL INSIDE-PAULS HOLMES

What does the poet of “beautiful inside “ say about INNER BEAUTY?

THEME : Appearance are deceptive

INTERODUCTION :

According to the poet Paul Holmes, the things which we see as unattractive from outside need not be the same from inside. It can be beautiful from inside

INNER BEAUTY:

Beauty comes from inside. The inner beauty is more valuable than one’s outer appearance. A beautiful man may have a cruel heart. A man can smile beautifully yet he can be a villain. He may be dishonest and with a cruel heart.

A GEODE:

A geode may look dull, grey and plain. But when water enters through a crack it split. We can see beautiful purple crystals inside it. In same way a Person may look plain, but may have a beautiful heart.

A BEAUTIFUL HEART:

A heart which is generous to needy, kind to sufferers and which weeps on other's pain is a beautiful heart. When we are close to person, we can see the beauty of heart.

HUGHIE'S CASE:

In Hughie's case, he mistook the baron for a beggar by his outer appearance. The millionaire was just posing as a model for a beggar. His appearance was the cause for the misunderstanding.

CONCLUSION:

Beauty fades with time but good qualities remain forever. We must find men with such inner beauty and cherish them. We must prize them for their real value.

Poem-2-THE PIANO

POET INTRODUCTION

David Herbert Lawrence was born in the English midlands He is well known and acclaimed as a novelist and short story writer.

“His poems shows a great appreciation for the physical aspects of life”

INTRODUCTION:

This poem is a simple expression from his heart. It has great Emotional appeal because

“Our hearts can understand and the truth in his words “

A WOMEN SINGING:

D.H.Lawrence listens to a woman singing. The song takes him to his childhood days.

Softly in the dusk, a woman is singing to me; Taking me back sown the visit of years, till I see.

THE POET REMINISCENCES:

The poet sees himself as a child listening to his mother's song. She smiled as she song, when the poet touched her feet. In winter season, on Sunday nights he sang to the accompaniment of piano in the comfort of his home. This scene also comes to his mind.

To the old Sunday evening at home, with winter outside And hymns in the cosy parlour the tinkling piano our guide.

THE SAD REALITY:

He cannot ask the woman to burst in to glamour. His childhood memories are so heavy upon his mind that he weeps like a child for his childhood days.

The Glamour of childish days is upon me, my manhood is cast.

CONCLUSION:

The poet shows how music has the capacity to bring back memories. Also it portrays the natural instinct that

“Inside every grown up man, there is a child longing to come out”

PROVERB:

Music brings back our happiness and sadness.

Poem- 3:

Rudyard Kipling (MANLINESS)

AUTHOR INTRODUCTION:

Rudyard Kipling composed his poem "IF while he was living in Great Britain" in the year 1909. In 1907 he received the Nobel Prize for literature. His works are

- ♥ The Jungle Book
- ♥ Kim
- ♥ Just so stories

DREAMS BECOME MASTERS:

Man can dreams of achieving high things but should not allow the dreams to become his master. The poet conveys that treat both success and failures as same postures.

"If you can dream and not make dreams your master;

If you can think and not make thoughts your aim;"

HARD WORK PAYS SUCCESS:

After years of hard work man becomes a spent force. Yet he should not give up the will power to move on "If you can force your heart, and nerve, and sinew To serve your turn long after they are gone;"

TIME MANAGEMENT:

Man should make optimum use of every

- ♥ Second
- ♥ Minute and
- ♥ Day

They are the qualities of manliness. These are the qualities if a man possesses, he will be the master of the earth.

CONCLUSION:

Dream, Dream until you achieve it

PROVERB:

Try, Try but don't cry

CONCEPT:

Don't sit like a rock, but work like a clock.

Poem-4 Going for water

AUTHOR INTRODUCTION:

Robert Lee Frost (1874-1963) was an American poet and belonged to the early twentieth century. He received four Pulitzer prizes for poetry. His poems have rural and natural settings.

HIS IMMORTAL COLLECTIONS:

- ❖ North of Boston
- ❖ Mending Wall
- ❖ Mountains interval
- ❖ West-Running Brook

SYNOPSIS:

- ♥ Introduction
- ♥ Visit to the brook
- ♥ Nature the Teacher
- ♥ Beauty of the brook
- ♥ Conclusion

INTRODUCTION:

“Going for Water” is one among Robert Frost’s autumn Poems and is full of poetic beauty. The poem captures the joy of the children who go through the woods to get water from the brook.

VISIT TO THE BROOK:

The children really enjoyed their way to the brook. The autumn evening was chill. They started moving towards the fields and the woods which they always considered as theirs.

The chillness of the autumn made them to march merrily towards the brook.

“The well was dry beside the door, and so went with pail and can”

NATURE THE TEACHER:

On the way, the moon was playing hide and seek, the birds had migrated to warmer places and the woods stood still because trees had shed their leaves in autumn. The tall trees in the woods made them look like dwarfs.

“We ran as if to meet the moon
That slowly dawned behind the trees”

BEAUTY OF THE BROOK:

They maintained silence just to listen to whispering of the water as they saw the water reflecting the moonlight and glistening like pearls.

“Now drops that floated on the pool
Like pearls and now a silver blade”

CONCLUSION:

The poet captures the innocent joy by the children in the midst of nature.

“The sight of running water always gives pleasure”

CONCEPT:

“Preserve nature, Conserve Water
The scenic beauty of nature gives us happiness.”

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Sam- UNIT-1

ANSWER IN A PARAGRAPH ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

Narrate the story” Sam “ in your own words.

AUTHOR INTRODUCTION:

Tammy Ruggles is based in Kentucky, USA. She writes Articles □□Plays and Children’s books.

SYNOPSIS:

- ♥ Introduction
- ♥ A Blond Labrador Dog
- ♥ The Happy times
- ♥ Reunion of Sam and His owner.

INTRODUCTION

Sam is a lovely story of a lost pet taken in a new home. But the new owner has to sacrifice the pet when the real owner comes.

A BLOND LABRADOR DOG

One rainy morning, Shelly went out on the Veranda. There he found a Blond Labrador dog. Its paw was hurt. It whined and put its heads down on its good paw. The boy took pity on it. Immediately he nursed the dog’s paw as best as he could.

“Gee, what happened to you?”

THE HAPPY TIMES:

At first the dog could not walk on its paw. Gradually it healed. It began to act like his dog. The dog followed him to the school and waited till he came out. He named the dog Goldy. One day he got home from school with his dog.

“Shelly played frisbe with the dog and they both were very happy”

REUNION OF SAM AND HIS OWNER:

He Saw a blind lady talking to his mother. As soon as the dog saw the lady, it ran in to her arms. The boy came to Know that it was her guide dog. So he happily entrusted the dog to its owner.

“You can come visit him anytime you like,”

The Piano Lesson -UNIT-2

Narrate the story “The Piano Lesson” in your own words.

INTRODUCTION:

The ‘Piano lesson’ is a touching story by Rob Reilly. It was produced as a play and had won accolades as the best play produced outside New York city.

SYNOPSIS:

- ♥ The author’s father:
- ♥ An expensive gift:
- ♥ A sad decision

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- ♥ Mum, the great optimistic
- ♥ A change for better
- ♥ Conclusion

THE AUTHOR'S FATHER:

The author's father was a giant-like man. He was flying officer during the World War-II. The author still remembered the days when his father returned home after the war.

AN EXPENSIVE GIFT:

The author's father knows that his wife was very much interested in playing Piano. The author's father bought mum a Piano. After three months she became an accomplished pianist. She was very happy.

"His mother was very happy with the Piano"

A SAD DECISION:

Dad was very much worried because he had not been able to find a job. So they had to sell the piano. Mum also worried because she missed the piano.

"It was a great disappointment"

MUM, THE GREAT OPTIMISTIC:

Even though she missed the piano, she was able to overcome the situation. She was not at all sorry for that.

"Optimistic looks always in a positive side"

A CHANGE FOR BETTER:

Finally dad got a job in an accounting firm. At last after studying and also because of his mother attitude. His father became a chartered accountant.

"They were happy"

CONCLUSION:

Two years later, Dad bought a new piano. The author concludes with her mother's attitude saying

"Happiness is only a state of mind and it
Does not depend on external things"

PROVERB:

"Money can buy external things but not happiness"

"Money can buy Piano but not her Mum's happiness and attitude"

UNIT-3

Narrate the story "The Face of Judas Iscariot" in your own words:

AUTHOR INTRODUCTION:

Bonnie Chamberlain is an old priest. He is the author of the story "The face of Judas Iscariot"

Synopsis:

- ♥ Introduction
- ♥ The Artist's assignment
- ♥ Incomplete painting

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- ♥ The boy with radiance of innocence
- ♥ The unfinished Masterpiece
- ♥ Conclusion

INTRODUCTION:

This is a story appeared in the Saturday review, years ago. It is a story which conveys a great message.

“God gifts his Divine qualities to all children alike”

THE ARTIST’S ASSIGNMENT

Centuries ago, an artist was engaged to paint a mural for the cathedral in Sicilian town. The subject was the life of Jesus.

“The subject was the life of Jesus”

INCOMPLETE PAINTING:

The painting was finished except the two important model figures.

- ♥ The child Jesus
- ♥ Judas Iscariot

He searched far and wide for models for those two figures.

THE BOY WITH RADIANCE OF INNOCENCE:

One day the artist met a twelve year old boy. He used him for drawing the picture of child Jesus.

“The boy face stirred the painter’s heart”

THE UNFINISHED MASTERPIECE:

He searched for another model for years. He met him in a inn. He was poor. He gave him food and shelter. He used him for drawing the picture of Judas.

“It was the perfect model”

CONCLUSION:

As the work went on a charge came over the model. The painter wanted to know what the reason was. The model told him that he was his model for the child Jesus.

Success Is Not Destination It Is Only Journey

BY-KUMAR

“SWEPT AWAY -UNIT-4

NARRATE THE STORY “SWEPT AWAY” IN YOUR OWN WORDS.

AUTHOR INTRODUCTION:

Susannah Hickling is a London based freelance *Writer & *Editor

- ♥ SYNOPSIS
- ♥ Introduction
- ♥ Celine caught in a Drain
- ♥ Swept Away
- ♥ Conclusion.

INTRODUCTION

The passage is a real life incident of a woman who is sucked into a storm water drain but has a miraculous escape.

CELINE CAUGHT IN A DRAIN:

Celine fell in to the water when she stepped over a low hedge. Her husband tried to save her. But he could not save her. She was swept along underwater. She was helpless.

She swallowed mouthfuls of the dirty water. She could not breathe.

“She thought that she was going to die”

SWEPT AWAY:

She saw a plastic pipe. She managed to grasp it though it was slippery with great effort, she pulled her body out of the water. She could not hold on the plastic pipe for any longer. She was suffering for five hours.

“At last she was saved”

CONCLUSION:

This incident shows that the same water that gives life can become life threatening. Man has to use his keen awareness to tackle water to his advantage.

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