

WORKSHEET

COMPREHENSION

As day light can be seen through very small holes, so little things will illustrate a person's character. Indeed character consists in little acts well and honorably performed; daily life being the quarry from which we build it up and rough-hew the habits which form it. One of the most marked tests of character is the manner in which we conduct ourselves towards others. a graceful behavior towards superiors, inferiors and equals is a constant source of pleasure. it pleases others because it indicates respect for their personality, but it gives tenfold more pleasure to ourselves. Every man may ,to a large extent, be a self educator in good behavior as in everything else; he can be civil and kind if he will, though he has not a penny in his purse. Gentleness in society is like the silent influence of light which gives colour to all nature; it is far more powerful than loudness or force and far more fruitful.

Now , complete the following sentences:

1. Character consists in_____
2. The constant source of pleasure
is_____
3. Graceful behavior pleases both the parties-he who shows the good
behavior and he to whom

4. As light gives colour to all
nature,so_____
5. The word in the passage that means 'to show'
is:_____

Q2.Read the following passage carefully:

Rabindranath Tagore was a poet, writer, musician, and philosopher. He was born in 1861 in Calcutta(now Kolkata) to Debendranath Tagore and Sarada devi.young Tagore was popularly called ' rabi.Music was an important part of the Tagore family.Rabi too liked the poetry and music. He wrote his first poem Banphool when he was just 15.it was later published in a magazine.

Rabindranath Tagore had a keen interest in the folk music of Bengal. He used it in many of his songs. Our national anthem,'jana-gana-mana'was composed by him.

Tagore wrote nearly 50 books and more than 3000 poems. He was awarded the Nobel prize for literature in 1913 for his book, Gitanjali.

Rabindranath believed that education was the only means through which India could progress. he founded a school at shantiniketan(in west Bengal)in 1901.it is now known as the vishva bharti university.tagore devoted a great deal of his time to this school. He lived there till he passed away in 1941.

Rabindra sangeet , the music of Tagore ,is very popular today. It is sung and enjoyed by the people all over the world.

On the basis of your reading, answer the following questions in brief:

1. Who was Rabindranath tagore? what did he like?

2. Which was his first poem? When did he write it?

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3. Which award was given to him in 1913 and for what?

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4. What was Rabindranath Tagore's opinion about education?
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