

6-A good citizen



Rachel's uncle and aunt lived in Mysore. Rachel and her parents had gone to Mysore to spend their vacation with them. They were all excited as they were going to visit the Brindavan garden. On the way, her aunt told them that about two million tourists visit the Brindavan garden every year. Rachel said, "Aunt it's going to be fun." As they entered the garden, Rachel exclaimed, "Wow, what beautiful flowers and fountains are these! I must make a bouquet for myself." The moment she tried to pluck one of the flowers, her aunt stopped her and said, "Don't do that, we should not pluck flowers." After taking a round of the whole garden they sat down to have snacks. Aunt had brought popcorn, samosas, sandwiches and fruits for everyone. Rachel finished her snacks and threw her plate and glass under the bench. Her aunt politely asked her, "Do you throw the wastes under your study table or sofa at home too? Rachel, it is our duty to keep our surroundings, public places like roads, parks, schools, hospitals, etc. clean. We should treat the whole country just

like our home." Rachel quickly understood and collected the wastes and threw them in a dustbin. After having the snacks they moved towards the musical fountains, where they enjoyed the light and sound show. When they moved out they saw, an old man tripped and fell down. Her aunt ran and helped the old man, while the others were still thinking what could be done. The old man thanked her for her act of kindness. On her way back, Rachel asked her aunt, "Did you know the old man, whom you helped?" Her aunt replied, "No Rachel, I did not, but I helped him because he was in trouble. We must always help people who are in trouble. We should take care of the people around us, just like we take care of the members of our family. In this way we can become good and responsible citizens."

New Words

Word	Pronunciation		Meaning
citizen	- /ˈsɪtɪzən/	शिडेजन	- नागरिक
tourist	- /ˈtʊərɪst/	टूररिस्ट	- पर्यटक
fountain	- /ˈfaʊntən/	फाउन्टेन	- फव्वारा
bouquet	- /ˈbʊkɪt/	बुकेट	- गुलदस्ता
pluck	- /plʌk/	प्लक	- फेड़ से फूल या पत्ता तोड़ना
tripped	- /ˈtrɪpt/	ट्रिपट	- ठोकर खाकर गिरा
further	- /ˈfɜːðər/	फथर(र)	- और आगे
suffering	- /ˈsʌfərɪŋ/	सफरिङ	- कष्ट
responsible	- /rɪˈspɒnsəbəl/	रिस्पॉन्सबल	- जिम्मेदार

Comprehension Questions

1. Answer the following questions:
 - a. Where did Rachel go for her vacation?
 - b. Why were Rachel and his parents excited?
 - c. What did Rachel want to make for herself ?

- d. How did the old man fall and who helped him?
- e. What must we do when we see anyone in trouble?
- f. What should be the qualities of a good citizen?

Word Power

1. Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box:

irresponsible enjoyed vacation excited politely

- a. Neeta is planning to visit Kashmir in summer ____.
- b. Garima is ____ to see her gift.
- c. The teacher spoke to Manish _____.
- d. Kartik _____ his ride on the bicycle.
- e. Priti's _____ behaviour has caused her a lot of trouble.

2. Match the words given in column 'A' with their meanings given in column 'B':

A

B

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| fountain | to hit your foot against something and fall |
| wastes | bunch of flowers |
| tripped | to remove flower from its branch |

plucked useless things thrown in the dustbin

bouquet water that is forced up into the air through small holes

Language Practice

1. Write the feminine gender of the following masculine gender:

a. uncle _____ d. headmaster _____

b. old man _____ e. landlord _____

c. father _____ f. milkman _____

2. Use punctuation marks- capital letters, fullstop (.), comma (,), question mark (?) and inverted commas ("...") wherever necessary:

a. rachel is on a vacation

b. about two million tourists visit brindavan garden

c. rachel exclaimed wow what beautiful flowers and fountains are these

d. aunt did you know the old man whom you helped

e. the ganga flows through the state of uttar pradesh

f. thank you for the nice present said tanu

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