#### INTERNATIONAL INDIAN SCHOOL BURAIDAH

## Worksheet for the Academic Year (2025-26)

CLASS: IX SUBJECT: ENGLISH DATE: 13.09.25

**TOPIC: DIARY ENTRY** 

Diary Entry is a personal/informal writing where a person maintains a diary to chronologically record events or personal experiences.

We can say that the purpose of making an entry in a diary can be anyone of the following-

- To record the events of one's life.
- To share one's experiences.

Writing a diary is a beneficial hobby because of the following reasons –

- A person can share one's emotions.
- One can express his / her feelings
- It is a record so it acts like a back-up for our memory to remember past events
- Writing down our feelings acts like a vent and helps reduce stress
- The activity improves our skills of written communication because it involves noting the slightest observations.

### Essentials of a good Diary Entry

- **First person-** We use first-person narration when making a diary entry because it is a piece of writing about events from our own viewpoint. A Diary Entry should offer a unique first-hand perspective of momentous times in your life.
- Past tense- Diaries should be written in the past tense since they mainly describe events that have already happened.
- **Personal style-** A diary can be a place to hide private thoughts, or a record of personal memories, or just a way of organizing a day.
  - "People who keep journals have life twice," said author Jessamyn West.
  - Keeping a diary allows you to reflect on both happy and unpleasant experiences. It lets you realize how much one has evolved or what mistakes one made in the past. Diary can also help one take note of fears and even deal with them.
- **Observations, thoughts and feelings-** A Diary Entry is the most honest, fascinating, and harrowingly personal piece of writing. You can be free and as creative as you like.
  - When in doubt write about what did you see and how did it make you feel?
- Date- A good diary entry contains the date, day and even the hour of composing. You can also add the place.
- **Chronological order-** Diarie are written in the order in which they happened, that is their chronological order. Use time conjunctions like primarily, next, then and finally to show this.
- **Emotive language-** Creativity, imagination and expression in diary writing are tested. Since Diary is an informal piece of writing, you can let your emotions flow through the ink. You can use words like "Wow" or "Oh my God". Diary Writing Format
- Day and Date
- Time
- Salutation 'Dear Diary'
- Contents of the diary entry
- Signature
  - 1. Assume yourself to be the Happy Prince and write the diary entry of the day when his statue was raised and he saw the misery of the poor people of his city in about 100-120 words.

Sunday, 23 July 2024

12.30 PM

New York City

Dear Diary

Today my statue was raised. It is located high above the city. It was full of gold, ruby and diamonds like the way I lived my life. But, I'm terribly depressed because the people in my country are suffering.

I was feeling quite sad when a kind sparrow suddenly appeared. He took my rubies and sapphires and gold to help the needy, and at that moment, I felt much better.

After giving away my gold and jewels, the authorities thought I looked "shabby" so they pulled down my statue. In the course of helping others, the little swallow caught cold and died due to frost. My heart pains for the poor swallow.

I hope the jewels helped lessen people's misery. I hope all the people lead a happy life.

Prince

# 2. You lie in your bed chamber listening to the patter of the rain. Many memories of your childhood occupy your mind. Write a diary entry in about 100-150 words about the most important experience that you can recollect.

Wednesday, 10 July 2024

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Bhopal

Dear Diary,

The sound of raindrops patting against my roof last night brought up a lot of pleasant memories. I thought I could feel the sound of the water on the roof on my face. As I was lying in my warm and comfortable bed, I heard raindrops tapping on my roof. This came to me in the form of childhood memories and pleasant dreams.

I recall jumping in the muddy puddles with my neighborhood friends and singing songs with them. It was fun. I remember coming home to the sweet aroma of pakoras and enjoying those delicacies with my loved ones. Those were the days!

Charlie

# 3. Imagine you are Saint Peter from the poem "The Legend of the Northland". Write a diary entry expressing your disappointment after coming across such a greedy and selfish lady.

Friday, 27 January 2024

10:45 PM

Norway

Dear Diary,

Tonight I'm depressed. I was feeling hungry after having fasted for so long. Hence, I went begging for alms. I reached a cottage where a woman was baking cakes. I requested her to give me one from among the several that she had. She started looking for the smallest cake but was unsuccessful. She then made an attempt to bake me a tiny cake. She was unable to summon the confidence to offer me the cake once it had been baked. The stingy woman angered and irritated me with her greed. So, out of rage, I cursed her to turn into a woodpecker. But later, I came to regret it.

Peter

## 4. Imagine you are the grandfather who owns a private zoo in the chapter "Adventures of Toto". Write a diary entry expressing your feelings on selling toto?

January 10th 2024, Tuesday

9 PM

Dehradun

Dear Diary,

Toto was returned to the tonga driver from whom I purchased it today. I have conflicting emotions about it and am unsure of whether I should be happy to let it go or be sorry to miss it. This is because Toto was causing more trouble in the house than any of us could handle. I found it difficult to complete any work since I had to constantly watch the mischievous monkey. Since I frequently regretted purchasing it, I suppose I am genuinely glad that it is no longer in my possession. As a result of not having to worry about what may happen next, I also feel fairly peaceful.

I hope Toto is happy with his old owner. Toto may not be here with me but I'm sure my whole family will laugh thinking about his naughty deeds in future.

Mohan

## 5. You found a collared cat wandering near your home. It was searching for food and looked scared. Write a diary entry expressing your feelings about it.

Friday, 27 January 2024

11 PM

Shimla

Dear Diary,

Recently I found a pretty cat in the garage of my house. The cat was quite frightened. The cat was very sad and I could tell it hadn't eaten for days. I took the cat inside my house and cared for her.

Next, I noticed the cat was collared. I called the number written on the collar but couldn't get through. Eventually, I got in touch with the pet owner and we decided to meet at the Mall Road.

While taking care of the cat, I had formed an attachment with it. But I had to return it.

When I returned the cat to its owners, the smile on their faces and the way the cat purred melted my heart. The feeling is indescribable and something beyond selflessness.

Luna