

# Maharashtra Board Class 10 My English Coursebook Solutions Chapter 1.2 An Encounter of a Special Kind

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1. State whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. Justify your choice with proper reasons.

Question 1.

- (a) The compound where the writer was living, was rich in nature's bounty.
- (b) Holidays provide us an opportunity to read various magazines and storybooks.
- (c) The narrator made a mistake by saving the baby langur.
- (d) Animals cannot convey emotions.
- (e) The narrator was fifty-five years old when this incident occurred.

Answer:

- (a) The compound where the writer was living was rich in nature's bounty. – Agree
- (b) Holidays provide the children an opportunity to read various magazines and storybooks. – Agree
- (c) The incident occurred during summer vacation. – Disagree
- (d) Magazines and storybooks were published specially for adults in the festive season. – Disagree
- (e) Writer's father was a medical professional. – Agree

2. Match the phrases given in Group 'A' with their meanings in Group 'B'.

Question 1.

<b>Group A</b>	<b>Group B</b>
(a) to be a part and parcel of	(i) to observe and give attention
(b) to be engrossed in	(ii) to be able to solve a problem
(c) to take notice of	(iii) to find comfort and peace
(d) to figure out	(iv) to think about seriously
(e) to ponder over	(v) to be completely occupied in
(f) to be overwhelmed by	(vi) to be an essential or integral part
(g) in a flash	(vii) to be affected emotionally in a powerful way
(h) to find a solace	(viii) very quickly

Answer:

Column 'A'	Column 'B'
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3. Write In your own words

Question a.

Why did the narrator Ignore the barking of dogs?

(i) .....

(ii) .....

Answer:

(i) The narrator thought that the pack of dogs, as usual, must have trapped an unfortunate pig.

(ii) So he ignored the barking of dogs.

Question b.

Why did motherlangur make no effort to grab her baby from the coop?

(i) .....

(ii) .....

Answer:

(i) Mother langur did not make any effort to grab her baby.

(ii) It was because she was completely sure that the writer was not doing any harm to her baby and whatever he was doing was for the good of the baby.

4. Read the text carefully and arrange the occurrence of happenings in the text in a sequential order.

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1	I took the baby langur to the backyard.	
2	I cannot forget that look in her eyes.	
3	I heard the disturbance approaching closer.	
4	I recalled the terrible custom in the animal clan.	
5	I became deeply absorbed in the book.	
6	I was engrossed in various magazines and storybooks.	1
7	I offered him a peeled banana.	
8	I still fondly remember that encounter.	
9	I gathered a stout stick and then started throwing stones.	
10	I saw something horrible.	
11	I was showed that food was not the only means of communication.	
12	I managed to catch hold of the baby langur's tail.	
13	I allowed the mother, access to her baby.	

Answer:

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I recalled the terrible custom in the animal clan.	5
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I allowed the mother, access to her baby	10

5. Discuss the following and write about it in your own words in 5-6 lines.

Question a.

What would you do, if you find an injured bird while returning from your school?

Answer:

If I find an injured animal, I will pick it up tenderly and bring it to my home carefully. I will put some drops of water in his mouth to make it fresh. I will examine its injury and apply antiseptic ointment to its injured part and bandage it without hurting it. When it is a little bit comfortable, I will provide it water and food. Then I shall keep it in small basket with cotton spread in it. I will see to it that it is safe in the place. I will take its care till it has enough strength or till it is fully recovered from the injury.

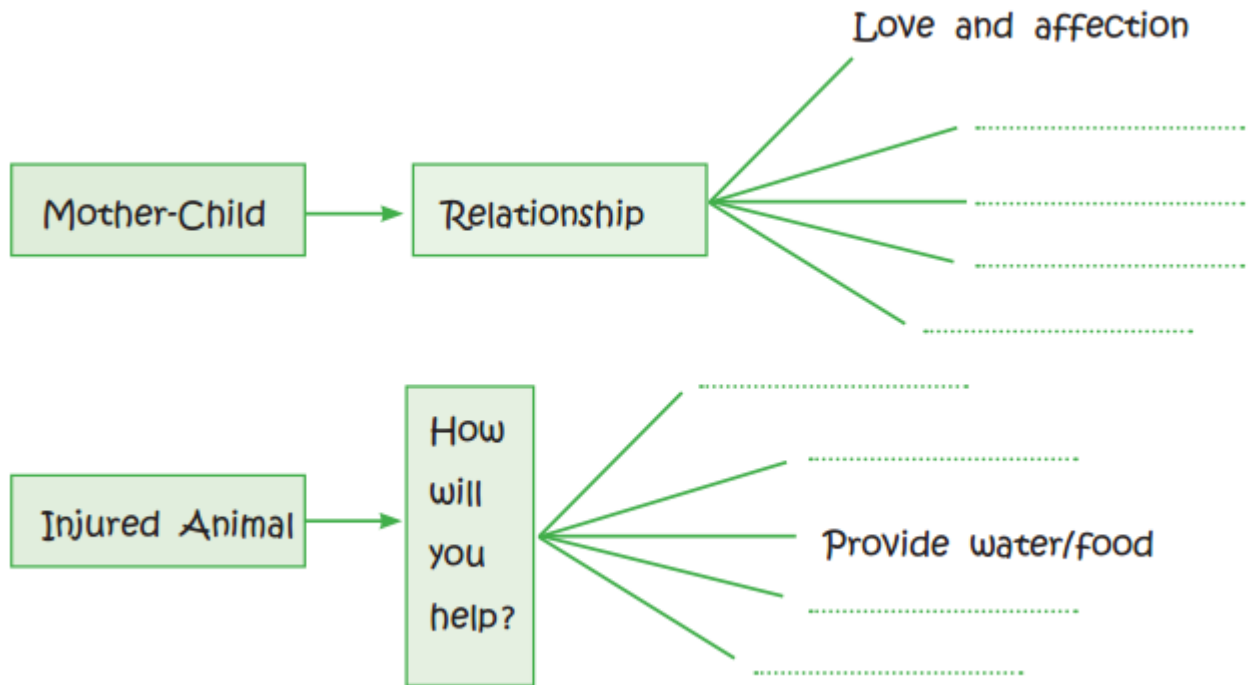
Question b.

What opinion do you form about the narrator, from the story?

Answer:

The writer of this story is a very sensitive, sympathetic and loving person. His qualities of humanity and courage are admirable and incredible. His thoughts about human-animal relations are great. He believes that communication between man and animal depends not only on food but also on trust, compassion and mutual understanding.

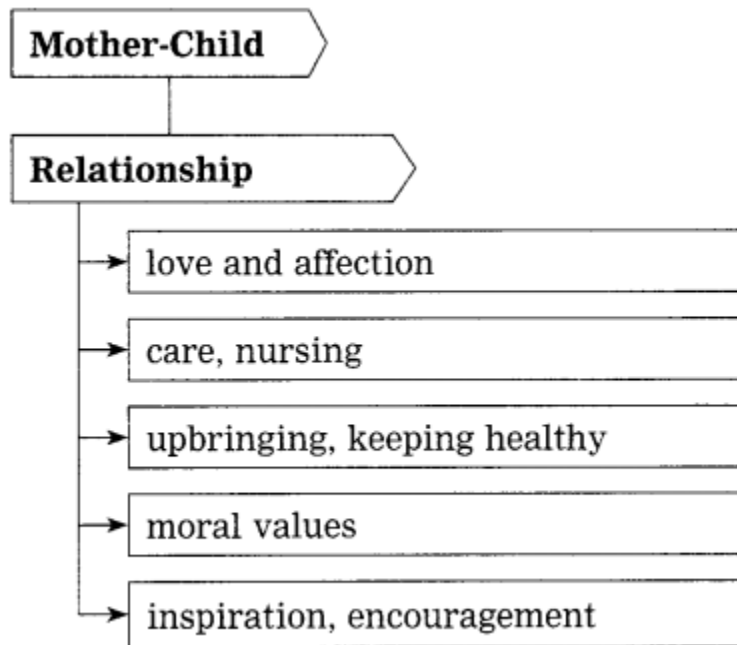
6. Complete the following and write a paragraph on each of the given activities.



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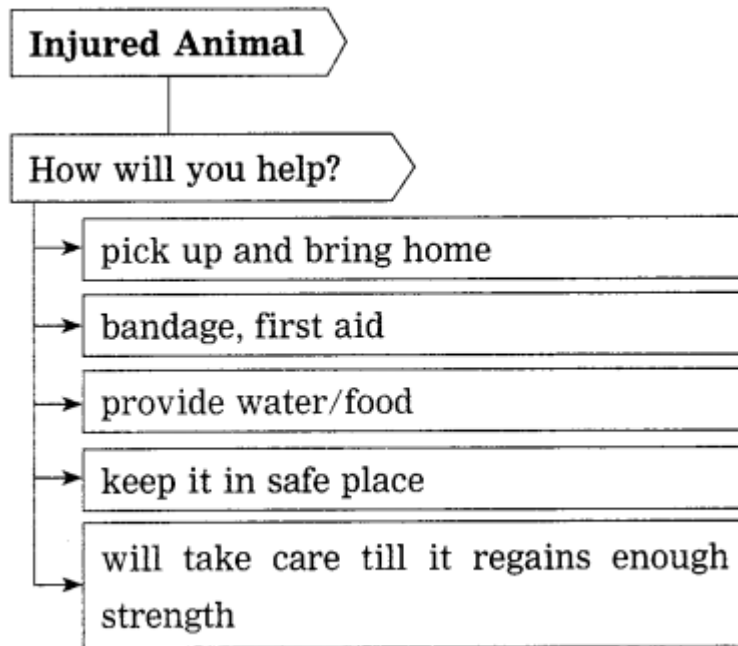


Paragraph: Mother-child Relationship

The relationship between Mother and child is very close and inseparable. Mother's love for a child is eternal. It is selfless. Her love and affection for her children are boundless and

invaluable. She looks after them, nurses them and strives hard for her children's upbringing and keeping them healthy.

She teaches them their family culture and moral values. The child also loves its mother immensely. Mother guides, inspires and encourages her children throughout their life. How wonderful and pleasant relationship is this!



Paragraph: How I will help an injured Animal

If I find an injured animal, I will pick it up tenderly and bring it to my home carefully. I will put some drops of water in his mouth to make it fresh. I will examine its injury and apply antiseptic ointment to its injured part and bandage it without hurting it. When it is a little bit comfortable, I will provide it water and food.

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7. Work in pairs and make as many words as you can, using letters in the word. 'ENCOUNTER'.

Question 1.

Make smaller words (minimum 3 letters each) using the letters in the word 'Encounter' :  
(Note : In the activity sheet you will be asked to write only four words)

Three - letter words	Four - letter words	Five/Six - letter words
TEN	TOUR	ENTER

Answer:

Three letter words	Four letter words	Five/ Six letter words
our, cot, not, out, nut, ten, run, one, nor, ton, net, toe	noun, cote, note, none, tour, tune, cute, rent, turn	route, court, enter, centre, counter

8. Translate the following proverbs in good English :

Question 1.

जनसेवा हीच खरी ईश्वरसेवा.

Answer:

Service to man is service to God.

Question 2.

पेरावे तसे उगवते.

Answer:

As you sow, so shall you reap.

9. Write a paragraph and give an appropriate title to it. Use the following points.

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Man's Best Friends – Birds and Animals

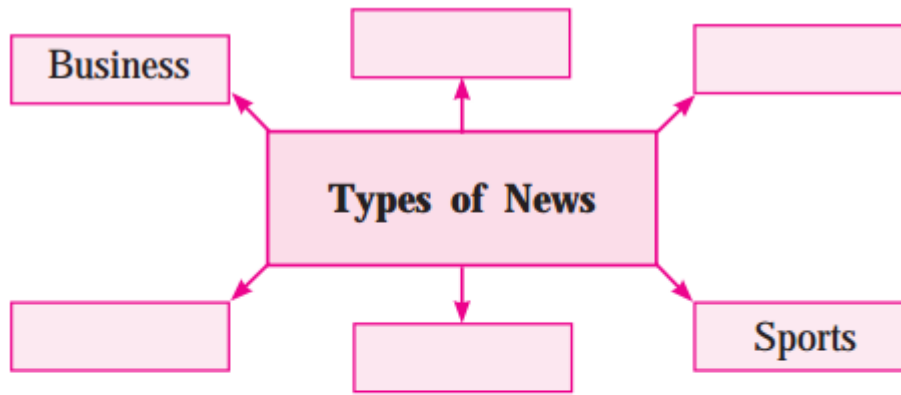
Answer:

The relations between birds, animals and man are complementing each other. In absence of this relationship our environment is disturbed and we risk our whole balance of ecology in our area. That is why, man must treat the birds and animals with great love and affection. They are our best friends. They are loyal to man and serve us in many ways. We must preserve our eternal relationship kindly, honestly and compassionately. So it is our duty to protect them; take care of their security without hurting them.

It is our duty to maintain this relationship because they cannot speak. They try to explain their feelings without words. Their eyes and actions speak. Try to understand them with love, affection and help them in their needs. Man needs the company of birds and animals. Love the wildlife and avoid loneliness. Protect them!

10. (A) Complete the remaining blocks determining the types of news.

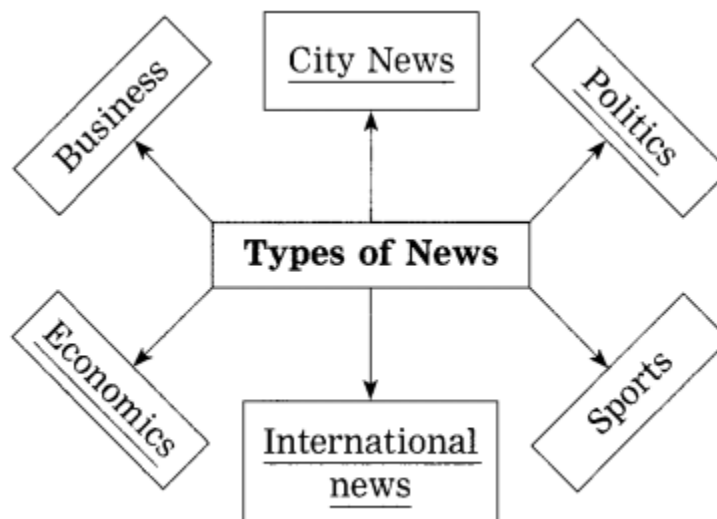
Question a.



### Template for a News Report

- (a) **Headline (Title)**
- (b) **Dateline (Day, Date, Place, Resource)**
- (c) **Intro (Covering Maximum WH questions)**
- (d) **Short continuing paragraph (Details)**

Answer:



(B) Read the following headline and write a news report. Follow the steps as given.

- **Headline : ‘Tiger attacks 8 year old at Rajiv Gandhi National Park.’**
- **Date line** .....
- **Leadline** .....
- .....
- **Body of the Report** .....
- (Use only 3rd person** .....
- pronouns/Passive voice)**

Question 1.

Read the following headline and write a news report. Follow the steps as given.

Headline → ‘Tiger attacks 8-year old at Rajiv Gandhi National Park.’

Answer:

Tiger attacks 8-year old at Rajiv Gandhi National Park.

Goregon July 4: Recently tiger attacks on humans have become frequent in the nearby areas of Rajiv Gandhi National Park. A tragic death of 8 year old child attacked by a tiger, has shocked the people in the slum area near the Rajiv Gandhi National Park. It is learnt that early in the morning the child entered alone in the wildlife reserve for defecation.

The tiger crouching behind a fence of bushes attacked the young child and killed him. Slum dwellers gathered around to rescue him could not save him. The slum-dwellers are demanding that the Forest Department should arrange for rigorous patrols to restrict such incidents of human-animal conflicts and construct a boundary wall between the human-habitats and the Park.

(C) Read the following Headlines and write the dateline, intro and a short continuing paragraph.

**Achievers narrate their success stories at career counselling events.**

**India’s first ever tourism university to be established by IIHM**

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career counselling events.**

Answer:

Career Counselling with Achievers Wednesday, 15th August, Kripa Sindhu High School, Nagpur. Kripa Sindhu High School had organised the 'Career Counselling Camp' for the students of Standard X, on 15th August 2019 at 5 pm. Some renowned persons who had achieved name and fame in different professions were invited to share their own experiences about their career and their success. There were professionals from different fields-medicine, sports, arts, acting, engineering, I etc.

Each one of them explained how and why they dreamed of and pursued their own career and how they secured their achievement in their field. They advised students that great heights can be achieved by constant efforts, even when they have to face nerve-wrecking challenges in their life and have to fight against all overwhelming odds. Audiences were moved when they learnt about the heart-rending stories of some professionals who are now on the top of the world.

The students realized the importance of the career counselling event. It was a great treat for the students who had come there for vocational guidance.

**India's first ever tourism university to be  
established by IIHM.**

Answer:

Note: Students should write this news report in their notebooks based on following points to emphasize the need of separate Tourism University.

Points: Tourism-a flourishing industry- many employments aya liable – trained candidates required – importance of tourism – can impart education in hospitality, booking, accommodation, selection of tour destinations, etc.-good prospects-responsibility of smooth pleasure tours – a good decision to establish Tourism University.

Language Study:

1. Present Participle: The form of a verb, ending in 'ing', which is used in forming continuous tenses. For example, He is sitting here. Present participle can also be used as an adjective. For example, He uses a walking stick. Now, find out the 'ing' forms from the story and classify them into the following table.

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Present Participle used as an Adjective	Present Participle used as a Verb in the Continuous Tense
twinkling eyes	was oozing
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.

Answer:

Present Participle	Use in the Continuous Tense
twinkling eyes	was holding
1. marauding langur	1. were witnessing
2. sloping roof	2. was oozing
3. caring arms	3. was breathing
	4. was pondering
	5. was trying

2. Spot the error and correct the following sentences.

Question 1.

- (a) My grandparents laid down for an afternoon nap.
- (b) A stranger were knocking at our door.
- (c) My sister and I shares a study room.
- (d) One of my friend, is leaving school.
- (e) A flock of birds were flying overhead.

Answer:

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3. Rewrite the sentences as per instructions given along with.

Question a.

I took the baby langur to our backyard. ....

(Rewrite the sentence in the Past Perfect Tense)

Answer:

I had taken the baby langur to our backyard.

Question b.

She simply sat there quietly .....

(Rewrite the sentence in the Present Continuous Tense)

Answer:

She is simply sitting there quietly.

Question c.

The mother langur looked straight into my eyes.

.....

(Rewrite the sentence in the Simple Present Tense)

Answer:

The mother langur looks straight into my eyes.

Question d.

She surveyed the area for the vicious male langur. ....

(Rewrite the sentence in the Simple Future Tense)

Answer:

She will survey the area for the vicious male langur.