

# **Exercises**

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# 1. Why did the children go to Yasmin Khala's house?

Ans: The children wanted to replace the street light, which was broken by them. Hence, Rehana suggested that the children visit Yasmin Kala's house to understand the procedures for getting it replaced. Yasmin Kala lived in the same lane and had just retired from Municipal Corporation.

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2. List four ways in which the work of the Municipal Corporation affects the life of a city-dweller.

Ans: The Municipal Corporation affects the life of a city-dweller in several ways:

- 1. It takes care of street lights.
- 2. It ensures that diseases do not break out in the city.

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3. It runs schools, hospitals and dispensaries.

4.It takes care of garbage collection, water supply, keeping the streets and the market clean.

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#### 3. Who is the Municipal Councilor?

Ans: The elected representative of a ward is the Municipal Councilor.

#### 4. What did Gangabai do and why?

Ans: She was protesting against the Ward councillor due to the lack of maintenance of streets. The garbage was not being disposed of and this was creating a menace in the locality due to dogs, rats, flies and mosquitoes.

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# 5. How does the Municipal Corporation earn the money to do its work?





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Ans: Municipal Corporation earns money to do its work by collecting several types of taxes. They include:

- Property tax.
- Taxes for education and other amenities.
- Entertainment tax.
- Other taxes.

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- 6. Discuss In the two photographs you see different ways of collecting and disposing garbage.
- (i) Which way do you think provides safety to the person disposing garbage?

Ans: The way shown in photo 2 provides safety to the person disposing garbage.

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(ii) What are the dangers of collecting garbage in the manner shown in the first photograph?

Ans: The dangers of collecting garbage in the manner shown in the first photograph are:

- Poisonous gas infection
- Breathing problems
- Falling sick
- Falling victim to the epidemic.
- Skin disease.

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(iii) Why do you think that proper ways of disposing garbage are not available to those who work in municipalities?

Ans: Proper ways of disposing of garbage are not available to those who work in municipalities because of the following reasons:

 The poor economic condition of the municipalities,

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- Pilferage of municipal funds,
- Workers are not aware of their health,
- They do not want to work in right earnest,
- The government now has started providing trucks etc. but not still in adequate numbers.