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Class – 8

Worksheet - 1

Subject – English

Chapter : 1

The Best Christmas Present in the World

Q.1 Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below it:

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered coronavirus. Most people infected with the COVID-19 virus will experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment. Older people, and those with underlying medical problems like cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer are more likely to develop serious illness. The best way to prevent and slow down transmission is be well informed about the COVID-19 virus, the disease it causes and how it spreads. Protect yourself and others from infection by washing your hands or using an alcohol based rub frequently and not touching your face. The COVID-19 virus spreads primarily through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose when an infected person coughs or sneezes, so it's important that you also practice respiratory etiquette (for example, by coughing into a flexed elbow). At this time, there are no specific vaccines or treatments for COVID-19. However, there are many ongoing clinical trials evaluating potential treatments. WHO will continue to provide updated information as soon as clinical findings become available.

1. What is Coronavirus?
2. How does Coronavirus spread?
3. What is the best way to prevent yourself from Coronavirus?
4. Write the full form of WHO?
5. Which organization will provide updated information of Covid-19?

Q.2 Write a letter to your friend informing him/her about how you spent your summer vacation.

Q.3 Write the word meanings of the following:

- (a) scorch marks -----
- (b) restore -----
- (c) veneer -----
- (d) Fritz -----
- (e) cello -----

Q.4 Make abstract nouns by adding appropriate suffixes to the following words.

1. erase _____ 2. acid _____ 3. assure _____
4. unique _____ 5. extend _____ 6. save _____

Q.5 State whether the underlined words in the following sentences are countable or uncountable nouns.

1. Would you like some coffee? _____
2. I ordered a sandwich for lunch. _____
3. The table was made of hardened glass. _____

Q.6 Answer the following questions:

1. What did the author find in the small black tin box?
2. What was Jim's mood while writing the letter? Why?
3. Did the soldiers on both sides want the war? How do you know?
4. How old was Mrs. Macpherson now? Where was she?
5. Who was Hans Wolf?

Solutions

A.1

1. Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered coronavirus.
2. The COVID-19 virus spreads primarily through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose when an infected person coughs or sneezes.
3. The best way to prevent and slow down transmission is be well informed about the COVID-19 virus, the disease it causes and how it spreads.
4. World Health Organization (WHO).
5. WHO will provide updated information of Covid-19.

Q.2 (Self practice)

A.3(a) scorch marks – burn marks

- (b) restore – repair
- (c) veneer – a thin layer of plastic or decorative wood on furniture of cheap wood
- (d) Fritz – a name for a German soldier
- (e) cello – a musical instrument like a large violin

A.4

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| 1. erase – eraser | 2. acid – acidity | 3. assure – assurance |
| 4. unique – uniqueness | 5. extend – extension | 6. save – saviour |

A.5 (1) uncountable (2) countable (3) uncountable

A.6

1. The author found a letter in the small black tin box.
2. Jim was in a very happy frame of mind while writing his letter. It was because of an incident that had just happened.
3. The soldiers on both sides did not want the war. Hans Wolf, the German officer told Jim Macpherson, the British Officer that they should resolve the war by a football match because unlike war, people are not killed in a match.
4. Jim's wife, Connie Macpherson was now a hundred and one-year-old. She was living in a nursing home in Burlington House, on the Dorchester road, on the other side of town as her house had burned down.
5. Hans Wolf was the Fritz Officer.