

LT ATUL KATARYA MEMORIAL SCHOOL
HOLIDAY ASSIGNMENT : CLASS-VIII (ENGLISH)

A. State which of the following sentences are compound and which are complex?

1. The house was destroyed in the fire, but the whole family was saved.
2. Walking through the wood, he saw a fox that was following him.
3. If I do not get this job, I will start a business.
4. He said that he was so disappointed that he would not try again.
5. The men who rule the world with their pens are mightier than those who rule the world with their swords.
6. The evil that men do lives after them.
7. All that glitters is not gold.
8. Neither the color nor the design of this cloth appeals to me.

B. Rewrite the following Simple Sentences as Compound Sentences:

1. The old man being weak could not walk properly.
2. His father in spite of being poor is a contended man.
3. She must work hard to be successful in the examination.
4. Our teacher is popular among students for his diligence.
5. But for his faults he would have progressed immensely.
6. Visualizing a danger ahead, the traveler became cautious.
7. The student must accept his fault to escape his punishment.
8. The culprit ran away to escape his arrest.
9. Taking off their clothes the children jumped into the river.
10. In the event of being late you will not be allowed entry.

C. Rewrite the following Simple Sentences as Complex Sentences:

1. Nobody could find out the place of their stay.
2. The purpose of his visit to this place is not known.
3. All the laborers set out for their homes at sunset.
4. On seeing the policeman, the thief fled away.
5. You cannot succeed without working hard.
6. Pious women are always respected by all.
7. I do not know the way leading to his house.
8. The guests sitting in the room could not hear his voice.
9. She hoped to be successful in the examination.
10. A man fair in his dealings is always trusted.

D. Fill in the blanks in the following paragraphs with the most appropriate form of verbs.

1. My mother a)_____ (do) a lot of work. She b)_____ (cook) food and c)_____ (clean) the house. Whenever, I d)_____ (fallen) I'll, she looks after me well. She e)_____ (be) a religious person. She f) _____ (narrate) many interesting stories from the Ramayana and the Mahabharata to us at bed time. Right now, she is not at home.
2. I a)_____. (run) for a bus when I b) _____ (hit) my foot on something on the pavement and c) _____ (fall) over. I tried to get up but d)_____ (move). I had a terrible pain in my left foot. I e)_____ (sprain) my ankle very badly. I was limping when some passers by f)_____ (notice) me.
3. Cicero a)_____ with truth that friendship b)_____ our happiness and c)_____ our sorrow. When we d)_____ well, it is delightful to have friends who e)_____ so proud of our success that they f)_____ as much pleasure from it as we g)_____ ourselves. For the friendless man, the attainment of wealth, power and honour h)_____ of little value.