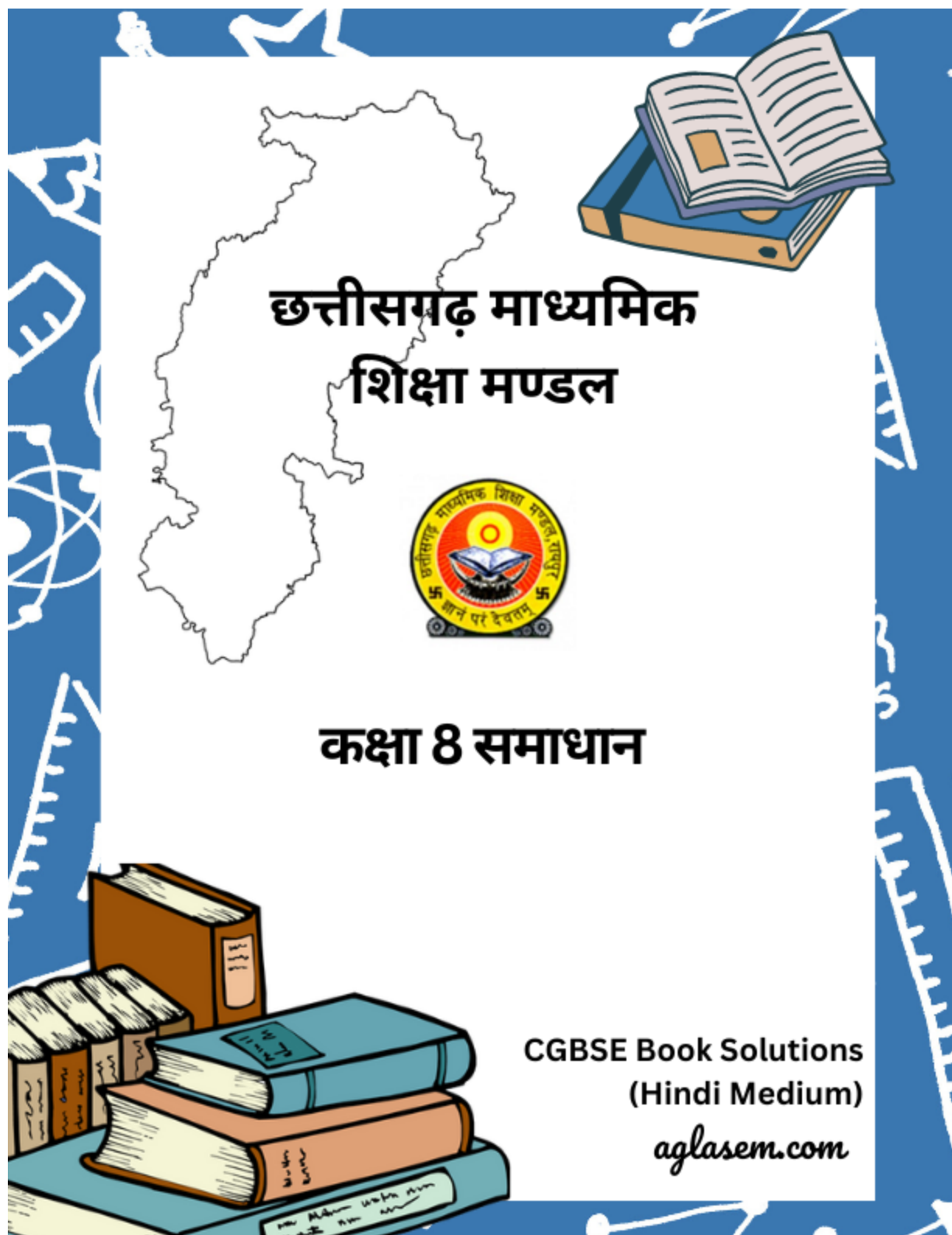


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Chapter 8

At School

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Reading Comprehension :

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Q.1: Gandhiji's sole companions at high school were his books and lessons. Why?

Ans: Gandhi's sole companions at high school were his books and lessons because he was very shy and avoided any company.

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Q.2: What made Gandhi ji do his lessons though his mind was not on them?

Ans: Gandhi ji did his lessons though his mind was not on them. He disliked being taken to task by the teacher.

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Q.3: How did the book and pictures of Shrivana affect Gandhiji?

Ans: The book and the picture of Shrivana left an unremovable impression on Gandhi ji's mind. He said to himself "Here is an example for you to copy".

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Q.4: Which ideal did the play Harischandra inspire in him?

Ans: Gandhi ji believed in the story of Harishchandra". To follow the truth and to go through all the ordeals which Harishchandra went through was the one ideal which inspired Gandhi ji.

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Q.5: Why did Gandhiji weep piteously?

Ans: Gandhi ji wept piteously because of the agonized lament of the parents over Shrivana's death which was still fresh in his memory.

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Q.6: What was the wrong notion that he had?

Ans: Gymnastics had nothing to do with education, was the wrong notion Gandhi had.

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Q.7: What is the importance of good handwriting?

Ans: Good handwriting is a necessary part of education. Importance of good handwriting is regarded as a sign of perfect education.

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Vocabulary :

Q.A: Think of the name- 'Mahatma Gandhi'. As you read his name, some other words come to your mind. List some of those words: Example: Non-violence

Non-violence movement, Lawyer, Devotion to truth (Satyagraha), Salt march, Quit india movement, Father of nation.

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Q.B: Look at the word Recollection in column 'D' the word is made up of prefix 're' root word 'collect' and suffix 'ion'. Put the prefix in column A, root word in column B, Suffix in column C and the word in the last column D. Use any of the two columns or all three columns. Column B is compulsory.

A	B	C	D
Prefix	root-word	suffix	word
<u>Re</u> <u>Re</u> <u>Re</u> <u>Re</u> <u>Re</u>	<u>Collect</u> <u>locate</u> <u>formal</u> <u>submit</u> <u>register</u>	<u>lon</u> <u>lon</u> <u>lon</u> <u>lon</u> <u>lon</u>	<u>Recollection</u> <u>Relocation</u> <u>Reformation</u> <u>Resubmission</u> <u>Registration</u>

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Q.C: Consult a dictionary and frame sentences using the following words:

Suburban, mediocre, pilgrimage, rebuke, indelible, false notion

- 1) It was easy to spot their place in the suburbs.
- 2) I think that play is only mediocre.
- 3) There are thousands of forts in all parts of India that make the pilgrimage.
- 4) Stunned by John's rebuke, Anna watched him.

- 5) Ready for indelible ink, I got my thumb out.
- 6) It was a false nation to believe such words.

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Grammar :

Q.A: Look at the sentences:

- 1) Gandhiji used to be shy and avoided all company in his childhood. It means that he was shy in his childhood.
- 2) It used to be a hospital before 2000, Now the building is used as the "secretariat." This means that before 2000, the place was a hospital. Now the building is used as the "secretariat" office instead.

Now think of some things which you used to do in your childhood that you don't do now. Write sentences with "used to".

- 1) I used to take mid-morning naps.
- 2) I used to watch cartoons.
- 3) I used to drink milk in the morning.
- 4) I used to visit the park.
- 5) I used to ride my bicycle from school to home.

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Q.B: Fill in the blanks using the clues:

- 1) Govinda came late to class. (come)
- 2) Last year, we played cricket every Saturday. but now we have classes on Saturdays. (play)
- 3) In the past years, people went to the theater for watching movies. Now they view movies through CDs. (go)
- 4) When I was a child, I never drank tea or coffee, but now I like both. (drink)
- 5) He learned music when he was young. (learn)

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Q.C: Look at the sentences:

- 1) Gandhiji enjoyed the affection of his teachers.
- 2) He wept piteously.
- 3) He never took part in any physical activity.

Now frame questions for each sentence.

Example: What did Gandhiji enjoy ?

2) Why did he weep piteously?

3) Who never took part in any physical activity?

Here are some sentences. Frame questions, select the words from the list given below. One is done for you: (What, Where, When, Why, How,)

1) I left home at 8 pm. - When did you leave home?

2) I arrived at Bastar at 9 am.- Where did you reach at 9 am?

3) The match began at 11 am. - When did the match begin?

4) The class for the day ended at 5.30 pm.- When did the class end?

5) We bought a gift for my friend's birthday at 6 pm.- What did you get for your friend?

6) We went to the market by taxi.- Where did you go by taxi?

7) The taxi man charged Rs 1000/- for finding a hotel.- How much did the taxi man charge?

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Writing :

Q.A: Read the extract given below.

School Life

'How many days is it since you have touched your book?' father asked as he blew off the fine layer of dust on Swaminathan's books, and cleared the web that an industrious spider was weaving between a corner of the table and the pile of books. Swaminathan viewed this question as a gross breach of promise. 'Should I read even when I have no school ?' 'Do you think you have passed B.A.?' Father asked. 'I mean, father, when the school is closed, when there is no exam, even then should I read?' 'What a question ! you must read.' 'But father, you said before the examinations that I needn't read after they were over. Even Rajam does not read'.

Now, prepare a write-up on the above extract. Remember to include the main thoughts given in the extract and your opinion on the extract.

Ans: Student's Assignment.

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Activity :

Q.A: Listen to the passage carefully and complete the table:

See Appendix-1

Subhash Chandra Bose

Place	<u>Cuttack (orissa)</u>
Birth	
Year	<u>1897</u>
Educated in universities .	<u>Calcutta and Cambridge</u>
He returned to india	1920
Arrested by the British	1924
Elected as the president of india national congress	1938
Again arrested	1940
Advanced from Rangoon to	1943
India with Japanese support but was defeated.	
Believed to be killed in a plane crash	1945
Popularly known	Subhash Chandra Bose

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Q.B: Narrate to your classmates any interesting incident / event from your school life. You could use words/phrases like 'then', 'after that', 'suddenly', 'so', 'hence', 'finally', in the end. This will help the listener to understand the narration better.

Ans: It was one winter morning, and everyone was asked to assemble on the ground to make a prayer. Suddenly there was a loud noise that surrounded the environment. It was the sound of crackers bursting. After that, an investigation was scheduled by the admin authority. Finally, all the students who committed the wrong were recognized and punished.

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Project :

Q.: Frame some phrases with the help of the given words. An example is given:

Examples: Clear Stream

----- Sky

----- Voice

bright - Bright-eyed and bushy - tailed.

beautiful - I have not seen anything as beautiful as this view.

huge - There is a huge problem.

little - Good little thoughts make up our minds.

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Use the following proverb in your sentence. Meaning is given.

Proverb

An apple a day keeps the doctor away.

Meaning

Eating an apple / any fruit every day will keep you in good health

Sentence:

Grandma always fed us lots of apples when we visited her. She believed that an apple a day keeps the doctor away.

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