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Worksheet No: 05	Topic: Biographical Sketch	Note: PORTFOLIO (Write in A4 sheet)

Biographical Sketch means an account of the life and activities of an individual or family. It would include information about the person's name, place of residence, education, occupation, life and activities and other important details. Biographical sketches include a lot of interesting facts about the person. Biographical sketch also tells about hobbies, interests, friends, influences in the life of that person and about his accomplishments.



A biographical sketch is always written by someone else except the person on whom it is written.



Example:

Write a **biographical sketch** of **Mahatma Gandhi** in your own words in not more than **120-200 words**. Clues have been given.

Mahatma Gandhi

Name	-Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi
Born	-2 Oct. 1869, Porbandar
1888	- went to study Law in England
1893	-South Africa, for legal practice
1894- 1914	-fought a long battle for the rights of Indians in Africa
1919	-entered politics, wanted to free India from the unjust British rule.
15 Aug.1947	-won freedom for India
30 Jan 1948	-shot dead.

Biographical Sketch of Mahatma Gandhi

Mahatma Gandhi whose full name was Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi was born on 2nd October at Porbandar. After his school education, he went to England to study Law. In 1893, he went to South Africa to start his legal practice. Seeing the miserable condition of the Indians living in South Africa, for twenty long years he fought a long battle for the rights of Indians in Africa. On coming back to India in 1919, he entered politics. His object was to free India from the unjust British rule. It was mainly because of him that India on 15th August 1947 won freedom. This great son of Mother India was shot dead on 30th January, 1948.

Exercise:

Write a biographical sketch of Wangari Maathai in your own words in not more than **120- 200 words**. Clues have been given.

Wangari Maathai



- Birth - 1st April 1940, in Kenya
- Occupation - Environmentalist and political activist
- 1977 - founded Green Belt Movement Focus on planting of trees, environmental conservation and women's rights.
- 1973 - Director of Kenya Red Cross Society
- 1984 - Right Livelihood Award
- 2004 - First African woman to receive Nobel Prize for her contribution to sustainable development, democracy and peace.
- Death - September 25, 2011



OR

Write a biographical sketch of Viswanathan Anand – Grandmaster, a World Chess Champion in your own words in not more than **120-200 words**. Clues have been given.

Viswanathan Anand

- Born** : 11th December, 1969, in Tamil Nadu
- Nationality** : Indian
- Hobbies** : Listening to music, swimming and reading
- Also known as** : Vishy or the ‘Tiger of Madras’
- Instructor** : Learnt chess from mother at the age of 6.
- Marital status** : Married
- Children** : A son



Known for Achievements: Undisputed Title of World Chess Champion from 2007 to 2013.

First Asian at 17 to win the world chess title at the FIDE Junior Championship, 1987.

Published his collection of games under the title ‘Vishy Anand: My Best Games of Chess’.

Arjuna Award for Outstanding Indian sports person in Chess in 1985.

Padma Shri – in 1987.

Padma Bhushan– in 2000

Padma Vibhushan – in 2007.

Arjuna Award for Outstanding Indian sports person in Chess in 1985.

Chess Oscar six times (1997, 1998, 2003, 2004, 2007 and 2008).

