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Worksheet No: 2	Topic: DIARY ENTRY	Note: English Notebook

GUIDELINES

A diary entry has no fixed format or style of writing. However, a good diary entry does contain the following features:

1. A good diary writing contains the place, the date, the day and even the time of writing. For example:

20th April, 20XX, Tuesday.

7:00 p.m.

- 2. A diary does not need any formal heading. However, it is optional. If you want, you can give a suitable heading.
- 3. The style and tone are generally informal and personal. However, it depends on the subject. Sometimes the tone can be philosophical and reflective too. You can freely express your viewpoints and feelings.
- 4. As the diary is writer's personal document, the diary entry does not need any signature. It is totally optional.
- 5. You can evolve your own suitable style depending on the topic of your writing.

<u>Format</u>

DATE, DAY. TIME			
Dear Diary,			
(Incidents, experiences, etc. of the day)			
Your Name			

Sample Question:

 \mathbf{Q} 1. It was the happiest day of your life when the Principal of your school informed you and your parents that you topped the list of successful candidates in your zone. Then started the endless ringing of telephone bells. Congratulatory messages started pouring in from friends and relatives. All the neighbors came to congratulate you on your grand success. At the end of the day, you were so much overwhelmed by happiness and excitement that you made a diary entry of that sequence of events on that fateful day. Reproduce that entry here inventing your own details.

2nd June 2020, Wednesday.

8:30 pm

Dear Diary,

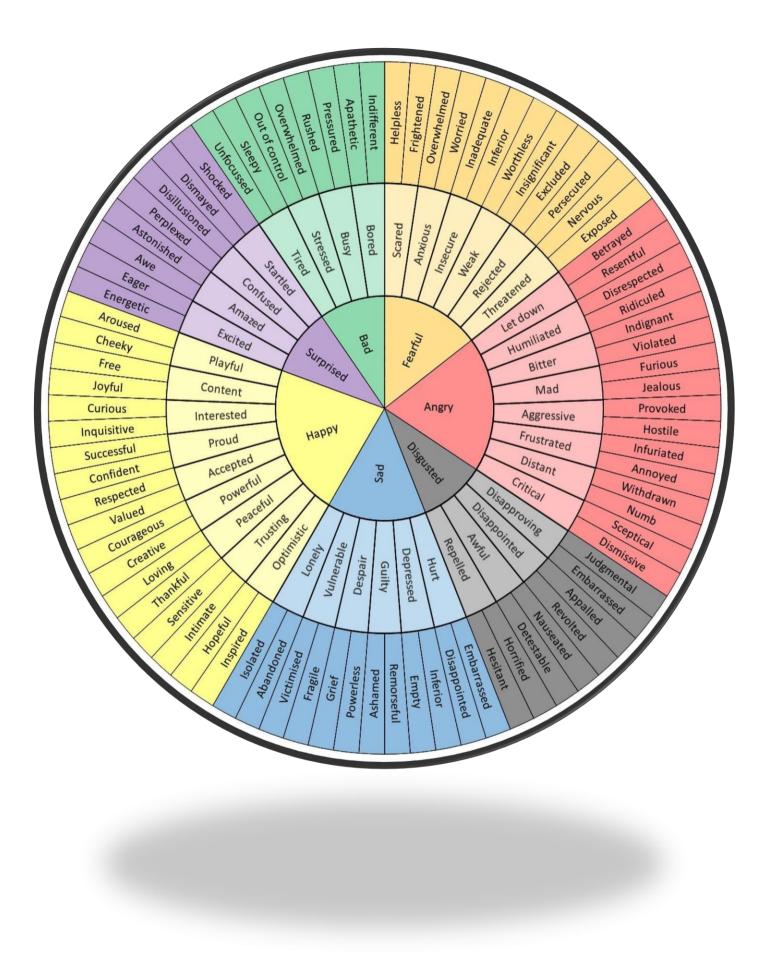
Life is full of surprises. I couldn't sleep the previous night as today the results of board were to be announced. At 9 am, we heard the telephone ring, I ran to receive it. My Principal was on the line, He said," Congratulations my Boy! You have topped the list of successful candidates in the zone. We are proud of you!'. He also congratulated my parents. Later, started the non –stop congratulatory messages from my teachers, class fellows, friends and relatives. My parents were busy in distributing sweets. I felt like a celebrity, and a celebrity I was. Two correspondents of leading news channels came to interview me. I only felt that hard work really pays off. In fact, today is the best day of my life and one of the positive memories of my life.

With hope of many joyful moments in life, I remain.

See you next time when any enchanting incident happens in my life.

Bye,

Sarah



Diary entry is about putting down your emotions. The figure of spinning wheel shown above shows the basic human emotions and its related vocabulary.

<u>Writing tasks:</u>

1. Try to find about Bhimbetka Rock Shelters in Madhya Pradesh and imagine that during your vacation you had the opportunity to see the earliest cave paintings in India. Write a diary entry about the paintings, what they conveyed to you and your reaction on seeing them. Try to say something about how the paintings are artistically different from present –day paintings.

Source: New images literature pg. 111

2. Taking help from the information given below make a diary entry describing the horrible experience that you had when your shoes and the main bag were stolen during a railway journey.

Hints: • Travelling by Rajdhani Express • got admission in Delhi College of Engineering • going to take admission quite a pleasant journey • had a nice sleep • Delhi was quite near • I got up to wear my shoes • stolen • the main bag missing • documents and money • lost my wits • no money • phoned a relative • he came with shoes and clothes.

- 3. You are Naresh/Norah. You spent your summer holidays on a farm in a rural area. Write a diary entry on your first day away from the city, in the midst of nature and doing physical work at the farm.
- 4. While travelling in India you observed some dirty-looking children, with bags on their shoulders, searching for something in the garbage. Make a diary entry thanking God to have made you privileged enough to be enjoying a good life and expressing what you think you could do to better the lot of the underprivileged.