

THE DOON VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL



HOLIDAY HOMEWORK 2017-18

CLASS VII



THEME: Folklore (Fictional Stories)

"Hope you all enjoy your holidays well and have much cherished moments with your family and friends. Celebrate this holiday season with much fervor and return back with zeal. So it's time to relax, reflect and recharged."

General Instructions:

1. Read the given set of instructions carefully.
2. You must file all the given tasks in a single file
3. The project should be handwritten. Neat work must be done.
4. It should be well presented, researched and pictorial.
5. Your project must have a cover page, table of contents, acknowledgements and bibliography.
6. All questions/ answers must be correctly numbered.



Folklore is a collection of fictional stories about animals and people, of cultural myths, jokes, songs, tales and even quotes. It is a description of culture, which has passed down verbally from generation to generation in any written or oral form. It is also known as folk **literature** or oral traditions. A collection of tales, stories, myths, legends, art and dance has been an integral part of the Indian tradition. India remains one of the world's richest sources of folktales. Several forms of folklores are prevalent in India such as Folk art, Folk Tales, Indian folk heroes, villains, traditional games and Indian folklorists. Some famous folk and tribal arts of India include Tanjore Art, Madhubani Painting, Warli Folk Painting, Rajasthani Miniature Painting, etc. India is known for its folk tales such as Hitopadesha tales, Panchtantra, Jakarta Tales, etc. Folk dances of India include Rouff from Jammu and Kashmir, Bhangra from Punjab, Garba from Gujarat, Bihu from Assam, Lavani from Maharashtra and the list continues. Some of the traditional games are Kho-Kho, Chaupar and Gilli-danda.

Passed down from one generation to another, Indian folk art is still alive in many parts of the country. Keeping the above information in mind, prepare a project on **Folklore** as a part of your **Holiday home work**.

Read any two English story books of your choice. Write the summary of each on A4 size sheet.

Activity 1(English)

You have read an inspirational story and you found that people were given some good advice but they refused to follow it. As a result they were at a loss. Write a letter to your friend describing your experience and learning from the story.



Activity 2:(Hindi)

काहे को ब्याहे बिदेस,
अरें, लखिय बाबुल मोरे
काहे को ब्याहे बिदेस



अमीर खुसरो जी द्वारा लिखित इस लोक गीत को पढ़े और उन्ही के द्वारा लिखे गए दो लोक गीत व उनका जीवन परिचय A4 sheet पर लिखें।

Activity 3:(Maths)

The Rice and Chessboard Story

Learning how Doubling makes numbers Grow

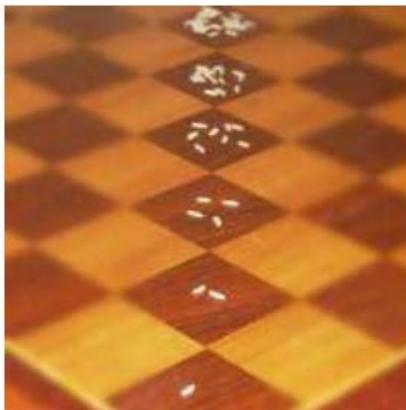
There's a famous legend about the origin of chess that goes like this. When the inventor of the game showed it to the emperor of India, the emperor was so impressed by the new game that he said to the man

"Name your reward!"

The man responded,

"Oh emperor, my wishes are simple. I only wish for this. Give me one grain of rice for the first square of the chessboard, four grains for the next square, nine for the next, sixteen for the next and so on for all 64 squares, with each square having double the number of grains as the square before."

The emperor agreed, amazed that the man had asked for such a small reward - or so he thought. After a week, his treasurer came back and informed him that the reward would add up to an astronomical sum, far greater than all the rice that could conceivably be produced in many centuries!



Hint : Solve the puzzle given above keeping in mind the rule given in the story.

For ex. $1^2=1$

$$2^2=4$$

$$3^2=9$$

$$4^2 \dots \dots \dots 64^2$$

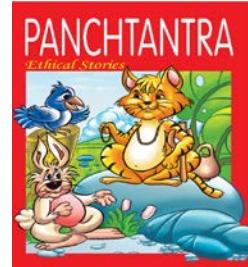


Activity 4:(Science)

Viman is a mythological flying palace or chariot described in Hindu texts and Sanskrit epics. The Pushpak Viman of the demon king Ravana (which was taken from Lord Kubera, and returned to him by Rama) is the most quoted example of a Viman. In the modern age we have gliders, drones, hot air balloons which serve the same purpose of short distance travel. The Pushpak Viman was used by Raavana. As per scientists, the technique to run it is used in aeroplanes today.

Based on the above text attempt any one of the following -

1. Compare the Pushpak Viman to the modern day gliders. Draw diagrams or paste pictures to support your answer.



Activity 5:(S.st)

Use the following for your references:

- 1) Values from the Panchatantra
- 2) Epics such as Mahabharata, Ramayana, Geeta, Kuran, Bible.

Keeping in mind the above, create a folktale and design a story book.

- Use pastel sheets of 6' inches x 9' inches.
- Give a suitable title to your story
- Tie the sheets with ribbons .
- Weave a story with a moral.
- Your story must be your original work
- Illustrate your story with pictures.



Material required: Coloured pastel sheets, sketch pens and pencils, decorative material, colourful ribbons.



***Summer Vacations will start from May 27th, 2017 and school will reopen on 28th June , 2017 as usual. School timing 7:45 a.m. to 1:15**

*****HAPPY HOLIDAYS*****

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