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Class: VIII	Department: ENGLISH	Date of submission: October 2023
Worksheet No:18	Topic: Article Writing	Note: To be done in the notebook

❖ **Definition:**

An article is an expression of one's thoughts on an issue or a subject logically and coherently written in meaningful paragraphs. Writing an article is a challenging task. It needs creativity, good vocabulary, good knowledge of the subject and skill to organize ideas.



❖ **Purpose:**

- ✓ To focus on issues of social concern, narrating an event, description of a place, etc.

❖ **Format:**

- ✓ Heading / Title – must be catchy and sharp.
By- name of the author
- ✓ Body
 - Para 1- Introduction
Start with a slogan, a question, an amazing fact, figure or statement.
 - Para 2 & 3 -Content
Causes, effects, the present state of affairs, etc.
 - Para 4 - Conclusion
Draw solutions and conclusions

❖ **Points To Remember:**

- ✓ The title should catch the attention of the reader.
- ✓ Begin with a striking opening sentence which addresses the readers and gets them interested in the topic.
- ✓ Present a strong argument for your ideas supporting it with evidence or elaboration.
- ✓ Use linking devices (however, therefore, although, even though, in order to, etc.) to make the composition appear as a whole.
- ✓ Introduce a new point at the beginning of each paragraph that follows, to strengthen your ideas.
- ✓ Develop your ideas as much as you can to make them interesting and substantial.
- ✓ Conclude with your strongest point.
- ✓ Use passive voice, emotive language, rhetorical questions to provide a specific effect.



You are Abhishek / Aishwarya. You happened to see the following lines in a newspaper.

“We all mourn and groan about the loss of the quality of life through the destruction of our Ecology and yet each one of us, in our comfortable little ways contribute daily to that Destruction. It is time now to awaken in each one of us the respect and attention our beloved mother deserves.” says Ed Asner, an Environmental supporter.

You decide to write an article for the school magazine titled “Save the Planet, Earth”. Write the article in about 200 words.

Ans.

SAVE THE PLANET EARTH

By Abhishek / Aishwarya

Recently, there has been much noise about ecology. These newspapers and magazines are replete with articles that much the loss of the quality of life through the destruction of our ecology. Yet, the fact remains that instead of doing something to save it, almost each of us seems to destroy it a little more. The consumerism of the west has spread in the east also. This consumerism, more than anything else is responsible for destroying the ecology.

Water, air, and earth are the three things which together make this planet earth. Each of them is being destroyed. We consume more water per head than the people in history ever did. But what is more important is the fact that we pollute and poison the very source of water that is our rivers and even seas. The inorganic industrial waste which goes in the rivers has made the water unfit for drinking. In the same way, the gases emitted by our industries are polluting the air. The earth has been dug for minerals, oil and water to such an extent that it seems to have lost its natural strength. It is being deprived of the forests which make our earth worth living and a beautiful planet.

To save our planet earth, we have to reverse this trend. A simple style of life - consuming less of the earth’s resources and causing no pollution is the need of the hour.

WEB RESOURCES:

<https://youtu.be/gUui94Xd85s>

PRACTICE QUESTIONS:

1. Write an article in 200 words on the following topic to be published in your school magazine.

Rahul/Rita came across the picture given below in a newspaper. It shows workers removing a large quantity of dead fish from a river. He /She was moved and decided to write an article for his/her school magazine on ‘Environmental

Degradation’. Also, give suggestions on how water pollution can be curbed.



2. You are Asha / Ashish Shetty resident of T Nagar. You are disturbed by the viral fever like dengue and chikungunya spread during the summer season. You would like to write an article for a leading newspaper about the problem.

Hints:

The infection spread due to increase in temperature — we are responsible for this — keeping the surrounding clean will not spread the virus — eat healthily — avoid junk food — play and exercise make us fit.



✓ Add the writer's name	✓ Write very lengthy articles
✓ The heading of the article should be short, clear and informative	✓ The title should be lengthy and clear
✓ Target the audience	✓ Only the introduction and the conclusion should be attractive and attention seeker
✓ The language and the style of writing should be according to the concerning readers	✓ One can advise, suggest and give the solutions to a problem in any paragraph other than the starting one
✓ Use proper punctuations	✓ There must be only three paragraphs in an article – introduction, middle one, and conclusion
	✓ Use any tense, person, voice, as many abbreviations, and self-made words while writing an article

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