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WORKSHEET NO: 2	Topic: DIARY ENTRY	Note: To be done in the notebook



What is a diary entry?

A diary entry is a short composition, a record of the writer's feelings, thoughts, and happenings during a particular day. It means writing down events, transactions, and observations in a highly personalized manner. A diary can be written daily or at intervals, depending on the inclination of the writer. Usually, it is written and arranged in chronological order (the order in which things happen). Some people even name their diaries and address them like an imaginary friend.

Why Write a Diary?

1. Express effectively:

Diary serves as a friend in need where we can express anything and in any way without any fear of any judgement.

2. Recapture Memories:

Sometimes reading a diary just makes you laugh or live memories which you had nearly forgotten.

3. Recording Events:

Some people write a diary as maintaining a journal where they record all the events chronologically so as to revisit it for any purpose.

4. Problem-Solving

Sometimes while writing a dairy we tend to find a solution as we reflect upon ourselves while writing the problem down.

Tips on How to Write a Diary Entry:

✓ Always mention the date and time

Writing a diary with a date helps one remember the event and the time of the event.

✓ Content

A Diary entry can be descriptive or you can just mention a dominant emotion or any particular event in a few words that can help in knowing what is a whole entry about.

✓ Voice

It should be written in the first person. This means including pronouns such as 'I', 'my', 'we', and 'our'.

✓ Express yourself freely

The key thing about a diary entry is that it is always kept truthful, natural, and free-flowing.

✓ Write often

Diary becomes your friend and it's therapeutic to express oneself now and then.

✓ Give it a Name

You might want to address your entries to someone, you can give or some people just call it- Dear Diary.



✓ Be Honest

You should be honest to yourself as it is your diary and your safe place to express anything you wish to.



Time

✓ Write events in chronological order

Write about the events of our day in the order they happened. Include an introduction to set the scene. You might answer the questions who, what, where, or when.

***** FORMAT OF DIARY ENTRY

- Top left- Date &day
- Top right time

Your Name

• First-person narrative.

Date, Day (British Format)

• Tense most frequently used- Simple past, Present perfect, and Future.

Dear Diary, (Incidents, experiences, emotions, feelings etc. of the day)

SAMPLE DIARY ENTRY:

You are going on a school picnic with your classmates and teachers. You are very excited. The night before the trip you sit down to write your diary. Describe in about 100 words what you have planned for the picnic and how you hope to enjoy yourself there. You are Jeet /Jaya Arora

20th April 2022, Wednesday

9 pm

Dear Diary,

I am feeling very excited tonight. I am going to a picnic tomorrow with my classmates. Some of our teachers will also accompany us. We have been planning for this trip ever since our principal permitted us a month ago. We are going to Nehru Park. It has a large ground where children can run around and play freely. I have packed some food items including potato chips and chewing gum. My mother has made a dozen sandwiches and a cake. My friends will also be bringing some food, and we shall all share and eat. I am also carrying my cricket bat with me. We have planned to play a match. I am so excited that I just cannot go to sleep tonight. I keep imagining all the fun that we are going to have tomorrow. But my mother came into the room just now and warned me that if I do not go to sleep now, I might fall asleep at the picnic! As if that is ever going to happen! But maybe she's right. So, good night!

Jeet/Jaya

EXERCISE:

- Q.1. Write a diary entry in 80-100 words about how you celebrated your birthday last week with your friends and relatives.
- Q.2. You recently watched a movie that has been declared a hit. Make a diary entry discussing why you liked/did not like it. You should include a brief account of the storyline, the music the acting and so on while discussing your impression of the film. The word limit is 80–100.



