

3.2 A Lesson in Life from a Beggar

Language Study:

1. Punctuate the following sentences.

(a) did you give any gurudakshina to your guru I asked.

Ans: "Did you give any gurudakshina to your guru?" I

(b) no there isnt anyone like that she said.

Ans: "No, there isn't anyone like that," she said.

2. (a) Add a suffix to the following words and make nouns.

(i) kind x kindness

(ii) happy x happiness

(iii) ignore x ignorance

(iv) assure x assurance

(v) imagine x imagination

(vi) depute x deputation

(vii) manage x management

(viii) assess x assessment

(b) Make 4 meaningful words by using letters from "Pessimistic".

Ans:

1) time

2) mess

3) set

4) pet

3. Change into Indirect speech:

(a) "Meena, it's a beautiful day," I said.

Ans: I told Meena that it was a beautiful day.

(b) "Hey! I am really excited. It's nice to meet old friends. What are you doing here?" said Meena.

Ans: Meena greeted her friends with Hey and told that she was really excited. It was nice to meet old friends. Then she asked what she was doing there.

(c) "We won't get a taxi in this rain", I grumbled.

Ans: I grumbled that they wouldn't get a taxi in that rain.

(d) "So what? Well buy an umbrella and then go to the Grand Hotel", she said.

Ans: She asked what that was. Then she added that they would buy an umbrella and go to the Grand Hotel.

(e) "Did you give any gurudakshina to your Guru? I asked.

Ans: I asked if she had given any gurudakshina to her Guru.