

## **1. What was the question that Padma wanted to know from her parents?**

Padma wanted to know **what the identity of a woman is** and why there is gender discrimination against women in society.

## **2. Why did Yayati become angry?**

Yayati became angry because his sons, except Puru, **refused to exchange their youth** for his old age and curse.

## **3. What does GSM stand for?**

GSM stands for **Global System for Mobile Communications.**

#### **4. What is the beauty of SMS?**

The beauty of SMS is that it allows messages to be sent and received **silently without disturbing anyone**, and it works even when the receiver's phone is switched off or out of network coverage.

#### **5. For whom is life hell according to Padma's mother?**

According to Padma's mother, **life is hell for a woman whose husband is dead**, leaving her without a socially recognised identity.

## 6. Who was Emperor Yayati?

Emperor Yayati was a powerful king of the **Bharata dynasty** and one of the ancestors of the Pandavas, known for his attachment to sensual pleasures.

## 7. What is a voice call?

A voice call is a **traditional telephonic conversation** where two people speak to each other in real-time over a telecommunication network.

## 8. What was Yayati famous for?

Yayati was famous for his **unrivalled conquest of the world**, his deep devotion to his subjects, and his insatiable desire for worldly pleasures.

## 9. "You needn't talk of justice and injustice here" Who is 'you' in this sentence?

The word 'you' in this sentence refers to **Padma**. Her mother tells her this when Padma questions the traditional treatment of women.

## **12. What happened with Kabir's body after his death?**

When his shroud was lifted, **his body had turned into a bunch of flowers.**

The Hindus and Muslims split the flowers equally to perform cremation and burial rituals according to their traditions.

## **13. Why is Kabir remembered even today?**

Kabir is remembered for his **couplets (Dohas) full of ethical wisdom**, his fight against religious bigotry, and his message of universal brotherhood.

## **14. Why did Santosh not like traditional way of life?**

Santosh did not like a traditional way of life because she wanted to **live life on her own terms** and refused to accept unfair social customs like early marriage.

## **24. Informal Letter: Inviting a friend to an elder brother's marriage**

Patna, Bihar

03rd July 2026

Dear Ramesh,

I hope you are doing well. I am writing this letter to bring you some wonderful news! The marriage ceremony of my elder brother, Amit, has been fixed for 15th July 2026.

The wedding ceremonies will begin with the *Haldi* and *Mehendi* functions on 14th July, followed by the main wedding feast the next evening. Since you are my best friend, your presence is

absolutely essential to make this celebration memorable for me.

Please make sure to arrive at least two days before the wedding so that we can have fun together and help with the decorations. I have enclosed the formal wedding invitation card with this letter. Give my regards to your parents.

Yours affectionately,

[Your Name]

## **25. Formal Application: Requesting a sports meet in school**

To,  
The Headmaster,  
Government High School,  
Patna.

**Subject:** Application for organising a school sports meet.

Respected Sir,

I am a student of Class IX, writing this application on behalf of all the students of our school. I request you to kindly organise an annual sports meet in our school this month.

Due to our heavy academic workload, we have not had any major sports events this year. Physical activities and sports are essential for our overall fitness, health, and team spirit.

Organizing a three-day meet featuring tracks, football, and cricket matches will bring great enthusiasm back to the campus.

Our physical education teacher has agreed to oversee the arrangements if you grant your permission. We will be highly obliged if you consider our request favorably.

Thank you.

## **26. Speech on 'Independence Day'**

Respected Headmaster, teachers, and my dear friends,

A very happy Independence Day to all of you!

Today, we gather to celebrate the historic day when our nation broke free from British colonial rule. This day is a reminder of the endless sacrifices made by our freedom fighters like Mahatma Gandhi, Subhash Chandra Bose, and Bhagat Singh. Because of their struggles, we breathe the air of freedom today.

True independence means ensuring education, equality, and prosperity for every citizen. As students, our duty is to study hard, protect our environment, and become responsible citizens. Let us pledge today to work together for the progress and peace of our nation.

Thank you. Jai Hind! Jai Bharat!

## **27. Report on a visit to Patna Zoo**

### **A Day at the Sanjay Gandhi Jaivik Udyan (Patna Zoo)**

*Reported by: A Student of Class IX*

On 25th June 2026, the students of Class IX went on an educational excursion to the Patna Zoo. We reached the venue at 10:00 AM under the guidance of our class teachers.

The atmosphere inside the zoo was incredibly lush, clean, and green. We saw a massive variety of animals, including a royal Bengal tiger, lions, rhinoceroses, hippopotamuses, and playful chimpanzees. The bird

sanctuary area was a major highlight, filled with colorful peacocks and migratory birds. We also explored the massive botanical garden and the aquarium building, which housed unique species of fish.

We enjoyed a shared picnic lunch in the designated garden area before boarding our school bus. The trip was an exceptional, fun-filled learning experience that taught us the great importance of wildlife conservation.