



Class VIII - ENGLISH

Topic- DIARY ENTRY

Dear Students

- This e-lesson is divided into **two** parts.
- First is an introduction to diary entry. Second, practice questions on the topic.
- Following should be done in the notebook:
 - ✓ Write the format of the letter in your notebook from the e-lesson.
 - ✓ Paste/ copy the sample letter in your notebook.
 - ✓ Attempt practice question in the notebook, make sure you write the question as well.

Introduction

This module is about the writing skill- DIARY ENTRY.

Diary entry is one of the most personal and informal categories of writing. A diary entry can be based on an experience, a scene, a description or a narration of certain event or any other activity that the writer considers worth writing in her/his personal diary.

GUIDELINES FOR DIARY WRITING

A diary entry has no fixed format or style of writing. However, a good diary entry does contain the following features:

- Mention the day, date on the top left hand side and the time of writing on the right hand side. For example:

Wednesday, 15th April 20XX

9:30 pm

- Write the diary in first-person sharing your personal experience.
- Try to write in a realistic way as you are not writing to impress anybody else. It is meant to nurture your creativity. It helps you to express such feelings which you are not able to confide in your friends or family.
- The style and tone is generally informal and personal. You can freely express your viewpoints and feelings.
- Begin the entry with a general sentence describing the day and momentary feelings. Discuss the events and your feelings in the body. Conclude with a final remark and future course of action. (*Refer to the sample of diary entry below on page-*)
- Use simple past, present perfect and future tense according to the description of the event.
- You are required to write a diary in about 100-120 words.

SAMPLE DIARY ENTRY

Solved Example

You have come to know that you have been selected for a dance competition at the state level. Write a diary entry expressing your views about the same.

Day and Date	Monday, 14 th April 20xx	6 : 00 p.m.
Body of the diary entry	Today I am full of energy, unlike other days when I am tired by the end of the day.	
Expression of feelings	This is because today I realised my most cherished dream. I was selected for a dance competition at the state level. In the beginning the day seemed very ordinary. However, in the assembly, the team selected for the state level dance competition was announced. I was nervous as our Principal started calling out the names of the members of the team. Finally, the moment came and she announced my name before the rest of the team. I was ecstatic and proud of this achievement. As my classmates heard the news, they demanded a treat. My parents were thrilled too as they had put in a lot of effort towards my selection. From dropping me to my dance class to arranging my costumes, my parents managed it all. To conclude, I would say all my well-wishers were happy and I was undoubtedly on the top of the world. In fact, I still am!	
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Rubrics/ Marking Scheme

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| C (CONTENT): | Facts and ideas | 4marks |
| F (FLUENCY): | Well-organised points, properly linked, suitable style, coherence and sequence in writing | 2marks |
| A (ACCURACY): | Grammatical accuracy, appropriate vocabulary, correct spellings and punctuation. Correct layout/ format. | 2marks |

