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CRITICAL THINKING WORKSHEET

Class IX

Assignment - 3

NEWSPAPER IN EDUCATION

Dear Students,

- Reading newspaper makes you well informed. It enables you to take part in every discussion pertaining to the world's current events.
- Reading newspapers will improve your knowledge in general and it will be easy for you to relate to other people who often talk about current events and politics.
- Through newspapers, you will have a clear idea and understanding of what is happening in your country and the whole world.

Please read the following article published on ndtv.com on 25th August 2021 and answer the Questions that follow.

Opinion: For BJP, Respect For The National Flag Doesn't Come Easily

Many countries in the west, including the US, UK and Canada, have no specific law that mandates a code for the use of the national flag. Images of the American flag being burnt across US campuses in protests against the Vietnam War are part of that period's tumultuous history. It was not considered an illegal act. In India, there is a Flag Code in place since 1950, which was amended in 2002. It is quite a rigid code but was adopted without opposition.

This flag code is now in the news because of its flagrant violation at a tribute in Lucknow for Kalyan Singh, former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister and Governor of Rajasthan, which was attended by many top leaders including Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and others holding constitutional posts.

The BJP flag placed on the coffin covered almost half of the national flag. It is reported that the party flag was placed over the national flag by BJP president JP Nadda. Photographs show Nadda and the UP-Chief Minister paying homage, with the national flag beneath the BJP flag. This is in clear violation of the Flag Code 2002, in which Section 2.2 (i) states: "Whenever the national flag is displayed it should occupy the position of honour and should be distinctly placed."

Have any cases been filed against them? No such action. Imagine if any other party had even unwittingly committed such an illegality and a red flag or the flag of any other party had been placed over the national flag. All hell would have broken loose. A party flag laid over a party leader is the usual way to pay respect, but it lies beneath the national flag, not over it. Whether a party chooses to put up the national flag at its party office or not is its choice, but for the ruling party to place its own flag over the national flag is certainly against the law. But the BJP and its leaders are clearly above the law.

If they haven't the decency to issue a public apology, it is because for them, respect for the national flag does not come easily.

In fact, the RSS had never accepted the tricolour as the national flag. RSS mouthpiece *Organiser*, in an editorial in its issue of 17 July 1947, had demanded that the saffron flag be adopted as the national flag.

On August 14, on the eve of Independence, the RSS publication stated, "The people who have come to power by the kick of fate may give in our hands the tricolor, but it will never be respected and owned by the Hindus. The word three in itself is evil and a flag having three colors will certainly produce a psychological effect and is injurious to the country."

As a condition for lifting the ban imposed on the RSS after Mahatma Gandhi's assassination, the government asked the group to accept the national flag.

Home Secretary HVR Iyengar wrote to MS Golwalkar in May 1949: "An explicit acceptance of the national flag would be necessary for satisfying the country that there are no reservations in regard to allegiance to the State."

With this history, it is not unusual for BJP leaders, most of them trained in the RSS hate-producing shakhas, to cover the national flag with their party flag.

There is another dimension to this frequent insult to the national flag

Lynch mobs against Muslims, marauding mobs setting fire to minority homes, often carry the national flag along with saffron flags claiming their acts of hatred against minorities are nationalist acts. The Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act 1971, Section 2, states: "Insults to Indian National Flag and Constitution of India.-Whoever in any public place or in any other place within public view or otherwise shows disrespect to or brings into contempt (whether by words, either spoken or written, or by acts) the Indian National Flag or the Constitution of India or any part thereof, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine, or with both." The law further explains that "comments expressing disapprobation or criticism of the Constitution or of the Indian National Flag or of any measures of the Government with a view to obtain an amendment of the Constitution of India or an alteration of the Indian National Flag by lawful means do not constitute an offence under this section."

There is nothing lawful about the actions of communal forces with the national flag in their hands to subvert the secular nature of the Constitution of India.

Following the Delhi violence in 2020, Kapil Mishra, one of the BJP leaders whose hate speeches had triggered the riots, led a so-called peace rally in the heart of the capital. While his supporters waved the national flag, provocative slogans like "Goli Maaro Saalon Ko" were shouted. No cases were filed.

In September 2015, lynching's on manufactured charges of cow slaughter started with the brutal killing of Mohammad Akhlaq. When one of the main accused in the case died of natural causes, members of the Sangh Parivar brought the national flag to his funeral and wrapped his body in it, declaring him a martyr. Leaders of the Sangh Parivar were present. These are only a few examples.

Many may ask why we should be concerned about an offence relating to the desecration of the flag when we are dealing with major crimes like murder, arson, and violence. The anti-minority pogroms of the Sangh Parivar and the Hindutva forces camouflage their violence in the name of a fake nationalism- "fake" because in their outlook nationalism is equated with being Hindu. The use of the national flag in their hate-filled mobilizations against minorities helps their perverse propaganda of what constitutes nationalism and, in a sense, normalizes the violence.

The use of national symbols like the flag in acts that target minorities must be stopped; the line must be drawn against every offence.

It is in this context that every example of the BJP's insult to national secular symbols must be opposed.

Based on the above news article, attempt the following questions:

Q1) Why is the Flag code of India that was amended in 2002 in news these days?

Q2) Has any case been filed against the BJP? Does it prove that BJP and its leaders are clearly above the law?

Q3) Do you think its justified for the BJP to not issue a public apology? Comment.

Q4. State the historical reasons as to why respect for the national Flag does not come easily to BJP.

Q5." The use of the National Flag in their hate- filled mobilization against minorities helps their perverse propaganda of what constitutes nationalism and, in a sense normalizes the violence". Give instances to show where the BJP has used national symbols like the flag to instigate violence against the minorities. What can be done to oppose BJP's insult to national secular symbols?

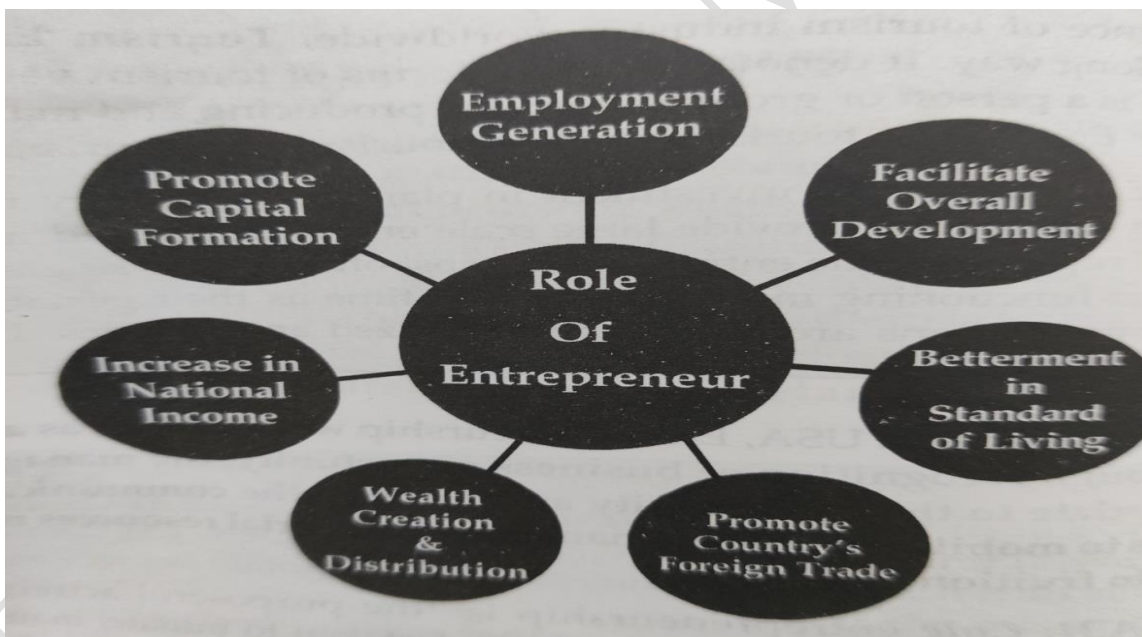


CRITICAL THINKING WORKSHEET

Critical thinking helps to cultivate higher order thinking skills. Think beyond the print. It fills the gap between 'why' and 'how' questions that one must answer for himself if he is to internalize, construct and structure his analysis focusing on the topic in hand.

What is Entrepreneurship?

Entrepreneurship is a dynamic process of various actions taken by an individual to create or innovate something new with the resources available by devoting necessary time and effort. It is like sowing seeds and taking care of it by adding little manure and water to it. The tree thus grown blossoms. Similarly, an enterprise when taken care of by the entrepreneur grows and is able to withstand the pressures and challenges of the market.



Role of Entrepreneurs in Economic development

An entrepreneur plays a pivotal role not only in the industrial development of a country but also in the overall development of the country.

Here are a few examples of economic development due to the entrepreneurial activities - Jamshedpur was developed by Jamshedji Tata, Jamnagar by Dhirubhai Ambani and Anand by Verghese Kurian.

Let us read a Case study and answer the questions that follow.

CASE STUDY

The life of one of the most celebrated Indian industrialist Mr. Dhirubhai Ambani is a shining example of journey from rags to riches. He was far sighted and had the ability to turn ideas into reality. The case of Dhirubhai Ambani, the founder of the Reliance Group, provides an insight into his entrepreneurial and leadership qualities. Dhirubhai grabbed every opportunity that came his way and built Reliance to a Rs. 620 billion company at the time of his death.

Dhirubhai believed that 'growth has no limit' and the entrepreneur should 'think big, think fast and think ahead'. Starting with a small textile mill in Naroda, in 1966, Dhirubhai took Reliance into various areas like petrochemicals, polyester filament yarn, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing of petroleum, textiles, power, telecom services, information management and financial services.

Dhirubhai advocated pursuing goals even in the face of adversities. He started Reliance at a time when most companies in India were owned by the government, and the private players were given step-motherly treatment by the government while offering licenses and permits. Similarly, when most Indian business houses depended on government - owned financial institutions for funds, Dhirubhai raised capital from the public by offering shares of his companies. Having understood the psychology of the Indian capital markets and the mindset of Indian investors, he was instrumental in introducing the equity culture in India. His focus was on relationships and trust.

Dhirubhai never followed the textbook style of management. Instead, he evolved a unique style, which combined the American style of entrepreneurship, with the Japanese focus on the latest technology. And to this, he added the innate shrewdness of a Gujarati businessman. Analysts feel that he was a perfect manager of time, money and men and exhibited a passion to find solutions to problems.

Based on the above news article, attempt the following questions:

Q1 Give a suitable title to the case study.

Q2 Discuss the entrepreneurial mindset and innovations which are attributed to Mr Dhirubhai Ambani. Support your answer by giving phrases/words from the above case.

Answer Key

Critical Thinking Worksheet -2

Class 9 & 10

Unit 11 : Card Game

11.1 a) $\frac{1}{3}$

b) 0

11.2 a) $\frac{2}{3}$

11.3

	1	3	5
2	3	5	7
3	4	6	8
4	5	7	9

11.4 $\frac{1}{9}$

Unit 12 : Tracking the Journey

12.1 According to Ishita, $490 + x = 2(22 + x)$

$$490 + x = 44 + 2x$$

$$490 - 44 = 2x - x$$

$x = 446$ km is the total distance travelled.

Ans 3. We should wear seatbelts so if we are in an accident our body doesn't keep moving at the same speed and in the same direction that the car was going. A new force would be introduced to our bodies (the seatbelt) in order to keep our bodies in place.

Ans 4. Seat belts provide for the safety of passengers is based on the second law of motion in case of sudden breaks the momentum of the car

reduce to zero in a very short time if breaks are applied suddenly to a fast-moving car the person without using seat belts will fall front.so, to save himself from accident seat belts are used.

Ans 5. Mass of an object

Ans 6. Compare the results from a new batch of the insecticide with results from the old batch on two groups of flies of the same species that have not been previously exposed to the insecticides. Some flies could be taken. If they would both be put in a separate box you could use a new spray and an older spray and see what the results are. (Note: Although the same species is not mentioned, it is implied that the flies are the same type, and that the flies have not been previously exposed.) Make one big batch of spray. Have 2 groups of flies and spray each group every six months. Spray group one with the big batch, and group 2 a new batch each time. (Note: Although the same species is not mentioned, it is implied that the flies are the same type, and that the flies have not been previously exposed.)

Ans 7. There can be two explanations:

Explanation 1: With the repeated use of the same insecticide the flies were becoming immune to the formula.

Explanation 2: Over time, chemicals in the insecticide rose to the top of the spray-can leaving water diluted (ineffective) at the bottom

Ans 8.

प्रत्येक जवाब का अंतिम शब्द "त्र" है। निम्न मञ्जूषा से सही उतर चुनकर लिखें।

वाक्यांश	शब्द
पंचगव्य में से एक	गौ मूत्र
महाभारत युद्ध की जगह	कुरुक्षेत्र
गणित के नियम	सूत्र
नाटक के कलाकार	पात्र
नक्शा	मानचित्र
तारे ग्रह	नक्षत्र

लक्ष्मण का दूसरा नाम	सौमित्र
उटपटांग	विचित्र
सौभाग्य के लिए पहने जाने वाली माला	मंगलसूत्र
छल-कपट	षड्यंत्र