



# Brain International School

Vikas Puri, New Delhi

## ASSIGNMENT NO. 1

**SUBJECT: ENGLISH**

**CLASS-VI**

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### Ch-1: Ruby Bridges

**Theme:** In 1960, six-year-old Ruby Bridges became an enduring symbol of the Civil Rights Movement when she integrated William Frantz Elementary School in New Orleans, facing hostile crowds and severe isolation with remarkable courage. As the first African American student to attend the previously all-white school, her daily walks, escorted by federal marshals, became iconic images of the struggle against racial segregation in the United States. Despite the adversity, including a classroom where she was taught alone by the only teacher willing to accept her, Barbara Henry, Ruby's resilience and determination underscored the profound challenges of desegregation and highlighted the urgent need for change in America's approach to racial equality in education.

Q. Answer the following questions.

- Why is Ruby Bridges an important figure in American history?
- How did Ruby Bridges' actions contribute to the Civil Rights Movement?
- Describe what happened on Ruby Bridges' first day at William Frantz Elementary School.
- Discuss the impact of Ruby's courage on her community and the country.
- Why do you think Ruby's parents decided to send her to an all-white school despite the potential dangers?

### Poem-2: Young Poets

**Theme:** The theme of "Young Poets" is about the power of poetry, especially in the hands of young people, to advocate for and protect the environment. It encourages young poets to use their voices to speak for nature, promoting peace, hope, and respect for the world around them. The poem emphasizes the responsibility of poets to inspire positive change and preserve the planet for future generations.

Poetic Devices:

- **Repetition:** The repetition of phrases like "Speak with," "Speak now," and "Speak for" emphasizes the importance of speaking up and using one's voice for a purpose.
- **Imagery:** The poem creates vivid images of nature, such as lakes, trees, and birds, to evoke a sense of connection to the environment and the importance of protecting it.

- **Personification:** Nature is personified throughout the poem, with lines like "you are Nature's voice" and "your pen is her tongue," giving human qualities to elements of the natural world.
- **Alliteration:** The repetition of consonant sounds, as seen in phrases like "Speak with respect now, for jungles and streams," creates a rhythmic quality to the poem and emphasizes key ideas.
- **Metaphor:** The comparison of a poet's voice to "Nature's voice" suggests the power and influence of poetry in advocating for environmental causes.
- **Symbolism:** The poem uses nature as a symbol for broader themes of peace, hope, and respect, encouraging poets to use their voices to promote positive change in the world.

Q. Answer the following questions.

- In what way does the poem illustrate the connection between young poets and the natural environment?
- How does the poem suggest that poetry can be a tool for positive change in the world?
- What does the poem suggest about the importance of preserving nature for future generations?
- How does the poet's urging for young poets to "select your words thoughtfully" reflect the responsibility writers hold?
- Reflect on the idea that "Words possess power." How does this theme manifest throughout the poem?

### **Ch-3: The Unstoppable Queen of Boxing: MC Mary Kom**

**Theme:** The theme of the chapter on MC Mary Kom, "The Unstoppable Queen of Boxing," centres on resilience, determination, and breaking barriers. Mary Kom's remarkable journey exemplifies the triumph of the human spirit over adversity. Despite facing challenges like gender bias and societal expectations, she perseveres to achieve unprecedented success in boxing. Her story inspires empowerment and serves as a beacon of hope for those striving to overcome obstacles and realize their dreams. Additionally, it underscores the transformative power of sports in challenging societal norms and promoting inclusivity and equality.

Q. Answer the following questions.

- What were some of the challenges that Mary Kom faced on her journey to becoming a successful boxer?
- Discuss the significance of Mary Kom's achievements in a male-dominated sport like boxing.
- Discuss the role of Mary Kom as a role model and inspiration for future generations of athletes, particularly in India.
- How did Mary Kom's background and upbringing influence her approach to boxing?
- Was Mary Kom's family significant in supporting her journey towards success? Explain your answer.