

**Model Activity Task 2021 September**  
**Model Activity Task Part – 6 | Class- 8 | English**  
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**Activity 1**

**Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :**

King Arthur could gift peace and prosperity to England. The greedy barons were unhappy with King Arthur because he was gentle and just. He married the beautiful Lady Guinevere, daughter of the king of Cornwall. On the wedding day, Merlin took him to richly gilded pavilion, painted crimson and dark blue. The floor was marbled. In the middle of the room was a huge, round, oak table, richly carved, capable of seating fifty people. This was the famous round table around which gathered King Arthur's devoted knights. These knights promised that they would help the helpless, be gentle to the weak and punish the wicked. To keep their vows, the knights undertook countless hazardous adventures. The stories of their goodness and kindness spread throughout the country.

**Complete the following sentences with information from the passage :**

- (i) The reign of King Arthur gifted England Peace and prosperity
- (ii) Lady Guinevere was the daughter of the king of Cornwall.
- (iii) The richly gilded pavilion was painted Crimson and dark blue

**Answer the following questions :**

- (i) Why were the barons unhappy?**

Ans: The greedy barons were unhappy because the king was gentle and just and they could not quench their greed.

- (ii) Give a brief description of pavilion where Merlin took King Arthur?**

Ans: The pavilion was painted crimson and dark blue and its floor was marbled. In the middle of the room was a huge, round oak table capable of seating fifty people.

**(iii) What did the knights promise King Arthur?**

Ans: The knights promised to King Arthur that they would help the helpless, be gentle to weak and punish the wicked.

## **Activity 2**

**Change into Indirect speech :**

**(i) My father said to me, "May God bless you."**

Ans: My father prayed that God might bless me.

**(ii) The police officer said, "Don't go there."**

Ans: The police officer ordered not to go there.

**(iii) Ravi said, "The earth revolves round the sun."**

Ans: Ravi said that the earth revolves round the sun.

**(iv) The Headmaster said to me, "Where do you live?"**

Ans: The headmaster asked me where I lived.

## **Activity 3**

**Classify the Principal clause and the Subordinate clause of the following sentences and write them in the table given below :**

(i) As it is raining I will not go out.

(ii) It is certain that a barking dog does not bite.

(iii) This is the place where Rabindranath was born.

(iv) What he says is not true.

(v) If you meet Jarin, give her this book.

Ans:

**Principal Clause**

- (i) I will not go out.
- (ii) It is certain
- (iii) This is the place
- (iv) is not true
- (v) give her this book

**Dependent Clause**

- As it is raining
- that a barking dog does not bite
- where Rabindranath was born
- What he says
- If you meet Jarin

**Activity 4**

**Write a paragraph in about 80 words on the life of the famous painter and writer Abanindranath Tagore. You may use the following points :**

**Birth :** 7 August, 1871 at Jorasanko, Calcutta

**Parents :** Gunendranath Tagore and Saudamini Devi

**Siblings :** Gagenendranath Tagore and Sunayani Devi

**Education :** Government College of Art and Craft, Sanskrit College, University of Calcutta

**Famous for :** Drawing, painting and writing

**Notable work of art :** Bharat Mata, The passing of Shah Jehan

**Important books :** Khirer Putul, Raj Kahini, Buro Angla etc.

**Death :** 5 December 1951

**Abanindranath Tagore**

Abanindranath Tagore was the principal artist and creator of the "Indian Society of Oriental Art". On 7 August, 1871 Abanindranath Tagore was born in Jorasanko, Calcutta, British India, to Gunendranath Tagore and Saudamini Tagore. He had a sister, Sunayani Devi. Tagore learned art when studying at Sanskrit College, Kolkata in the 1880s.

In 1890, around the age of twenty years, Abanindranath attended the Calcutta School of Art where he learnt to use pastels from O. Ghilardi, and oil painting from C. Palmer, European painters who taught in that institution.

His idea of modernizing Mughal and Rajput paintings eventually gave rise to modern Indian painting, which took birth at his Bengal school of art. Some of his notable paintings are Bharat Mata, The passing of Shah Jahan, Ganash Janani etc.

Abanindranath is also regarded as a proficient and accomplished writer. Most of his literary works were meant for children. Some of his books like 'Budo Angla', 'Khirer Putul' and 'Raj kahini' are best examples of Bengali children's literature. The famous artist died on 5 December, 1951.