

# GAIL DAV PUBLIC SCHOOL

Assignment- 2026-27

Class -VIII

Subject English

Chapters: 1 Three Questions

2. Granny's Tree Climbing

3. Tenses

4. Notice Writing

**1. Read the following extracts carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

**A.** All the answers being different, the king agreed with none of them , and gave the reward to none . But still wishing to find the right answers to his questions , he decided to consult a hermit widely renowned for his wisdom.

- (i) Why was the king not satisfied with the answers of the wise men?
- (ii) What does this extract reveal about the king's personality?
- (iii) Identify one theme highlighted in this extract.
- (iv) Find a word that means 'sagacity' from the passage.

**B.** My grandmother was a genius.You'd like to know why?  
Because she could climb trees. Spreading or high,  
She'd be up their branches in a trice. And mind you  
When last she climbed a tree, she was sixty-two.

- (i) Why is Granny called a genius?
- (ii) Identify the simile used in the extract.
- (iii) What does this extract reveal about Granny's personality?
- (iv) How does the poet challenge age stereotypes here?
- (v) Find a word that means "very quick".

**2. Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each.**

- (i) Why did the hermit not answer the king directly?
- (ii) Who was the bearded man and what change came in him?
- (iii) How did Granny's family react to her habit?
- (iv) What message do both texts give about life?

**3. Answer the following questions in 120 words.**

(i) In the story *The Three Questions*, how does the King finally find the answers to his questions? Explain with reference to the events in the story.

(ii) "Age is just a number." Discuss this statement with reference to Granny's character.

**4. Read the paragraph given below and fill in the blanks with the appropriate forms of the verbs given in brackets:**

Rahul usually \_\_\_\_\_ (wake) up at 6 a.m., but yesterday he \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) late because he \_\_\_\_\_ (study) for his exams the whole night. When his mother \_\_\_\_\_

(call) him in the morning, he still \_\_\_\_\_ (lie) in bed. By the time he \_\_\_\_\_ (reach) school, the first class \_\_\_\_\_ (already/start).

Now, he \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to manage his time better so that he \_\_\_\_\_ (not/face) such problems again. His teacher says that if he \_\_\_\_\_ (work) hard, he will definitely succeed.

**5.**You are the Head Boy/Head Girl of your school. Your school is organizing a tree plantation drive. Write a notice informing students about the date, time, and participation details.

**6.**You are the Cultural Secretary of your school. Your school is going to organize an inter-house debate competition. Write a notice in about 50 words informing the students about the event and inviting them to participate. Include all necessary details such as date, time, venue, and last date for registration.