

Std.VI

English language

Chapter-3

## GARDENS AND GARDENING

C.1. Find the words from passage.

1. Plants with soft, green stems, in contrast to woody stems of shrubs or trees; these plants die down to the ground after flowering- \*Herbs\*
2. Plants smaller than trees having several stems that spring up from near ground level; these plants do not die down to the ground each year- \*Shrubs\*
3. Long narrow box fixed outside a window in which plants are grown- \*window box garden\*
4. Building with sides and roof of glass, used for growing plants that need protection from the weather- \*green house\*
5. Animal dung or other material, natural or artificial, spread over or mix with soil to make it fertile- \*fertilizer\*
6. A long handled tool with a row of prongs at the end used for levelling the soil , drawing together fallen leaves,etc.- \*rake\*
7. Wild plants growing where they are not wanted, especially among crops or garden plants- \*weed\*
8. System of drains- \*drainage\*
9. Made into powder- \*ground\*

10. Tiny drops of water on a surface, in the air, or any other thing- \*moisture\*

11. The moisture in air is given this name- \*humidity\*

12. Become covered with mist- \*fog\*

13. Slightly wet- \*moist\*

14. Beginning to grow; putting out leaves, shoots, etc.- \*sprout\*

15. Young plants newly grown from seeds- \*seedling\*

16. Little plants- \*plantlets\*

17. Some taken away- \*thinned\*

18. Pointed parts of a fork- \*tines\*

19. Things needed for particular purpose- \*equipments\*

C.2. Copy and complete the following sentences briefly.

1. A garden is a plot of land used for \*growing flowers and vegetables\*.

2. Gardening is the activity of \*planting\* and taking care of gardens.

3. One of the exciting things about growing a garden is that \*possibilities are endless\*

4. Before growing a garden we should consider the \*soil\* and the space that we have to deal with.

5. \*Sunlight, air, water and food\* are the things needed by everything that grows.

6. In order to get rid of weeds we should \*rake\* the soil.
7. The garden that we grow in a window-box is called a \*window-box garden\*.
8. A terrarium is made of \*glass\*.
9. A terrarium should not be covered too tightly because \*humidity will build up and fog the walls\*.
10. The most important time in a plants life is \*when the seed begins to sprout\*.
11. If we don't pay proper care to a plantlet \*it will die\*.
12. Transplantation means \*shifting the plants from one place to another\*.
13. A fork is a garden tool used for \*digging\*.
14. We can use a \*hoe\* for uprooting weeds.
15. Shears are a kind of \*enormous pair of scissor\*.

C.7 Construct meaningful sentences using the following phrases.

1. Set aside - to keep something for future use.
2. Make sure - be confirmed.
3. Get rid of - to be free.
4. As well as - also .

5. Deal with - tackle.
6. Ordered way - well organized.
7. Drainage - system of drains.
8. Conserve - protect.
9. Build up - to develop gradually.
10. Take into account - to consider.
11. Come to life - to recover
12. Much the same - alike.

NOW MAKE SENTENCES ON YOUR OWN

C.8.Re-word the following sentences in any other way replacing the words in italics with other suitable word that you think of .

1. *\*Add food\** to the soil by digging in manure. - *\*feed\**
2. Rake the soil to *\*get rid of\** stones and weeds. - *\*remove\**
3. Take *\*suitable\** measures to check plant diseases. - *\*appropriate\**
4. If one of your plants should die , find out *\*why\**- *\*reason\**
5. It is an activity that *\*bring us joy as well as satisfaction\** - *\*gives pleasure\**
6. Some gardens have *\*only one kind of plant in all its varieties\** - *\*species\**
7. There are *\*various\** types of hoe, and all are used for *\*uprooting\** weeds.- *\*different\**, *\*removing\**
8. Before planning a garden of your own you must *\*make sure of\** certain things - *\*confirm\**

C.9. Frame sentences using these pairs of words to show the difference in the meanings. First one is done for you.

1.a. Loose - not fitting - This shirt is loose.

b. Lose - misplaced - I lost my pen.

2. a. Pair - two things of the same kind- she has a pair of pink shoes

b. Pare- to cut away the thin outer layer - I have pared the papaya

3.a. Week - a series of 7 days - There are four weeks in a month.

b. Weak- not strong - He is weak at maths.

4.a. Similar- alike - His behaviour is similar to his brother.

b. Familiar - known - She is familiar to my family.

5.a. Advice(noun)- opinion - It is doctor's advice to have an apple a day.

b. Advise(verb)- offer an opinion - My mother advised me to be polite to everyone.

6.a. Plan - to decide - She planned a surprise for Maya's birthday.

b. Plain - simple - This dress is plain.

7.a. Peace - calmness - I pray to God for world peace.

b. Piece - fragment - the glass broke into pieces.

8.a Break - to divide- Raj broke the jar.

b. Brake - a stopping device. - The brake of the car was not working.

9.a. Row - fight - There was a row between the friends.

b. Roe - a female deer - I saw a roe in the zoo.

10.a. Need - necessities - Every living being needs air to survive on the earth.

b. Knead - mix - She kneaded the dough very well.

11.a. Suit - request - The principal denied my suit.

b. Suite- a set of rooms - I booked a suite in the hotel for my relatives.

12.a. Common- usual , ordinary - Usage of social media is a common thing for teenagers these days.

b. Mutual - alike - They have a mutual understanding between them .