

STD.VI. ENG.LANGUAGE.

Lesson-1

A.1. Find from the text the words which have the following meanings:

- 1.The main central part of a plant,bush or tree coming up from the roots, from which the leaves or flowers grow.-stem.
- 2.The main part of a tree from which the branches grow.-trunk
- 3.Coming before in time or order.-previous.
- 4.Not hopeful or encouraging.-bleak
- 5.Flat logs tied together, used as a boat .-raft
- 6.Covering a roof with dried straw, reeds etc.-thatching
- 7.Types of cloth.-fabrics
- 8.Bottle gourds of which the hard outer skin is used as a utensil for liquids.-coconut
- 9.Changing animal skin into leather by treating it with an acid obtained from the bark of certain trees.-tanning
- 10.Change from gas or vapour to a liquid.-condense
- 11.Wood prepared for use in building.-timber
- 12.Amount of that which is produced.-tonnes
- 13.Removal of forests from a place.-deforestation
- 14.Dirty or impure .-polluted

A.2.Copy and complete the following statements briefly:

- 1.The oldest trees are Californian pines.
- 2.The tallest trees are mountain ashes.
- 3.We can know the age of the tree by counting the rings in it's trunk.
- 4.If there were no trees the world would be bleak.
5. Some of the substitutes invented by man for tree products are concrete , steel, glass, plastics etc.
- 6.In present times the demand for the tree products has increased.
- 7.When animals breathe and things burn carbon dioxide is produced.
- 8.Plants n trees make starch by carbon.
- 9.Starch is used by animals as food.

10. Trees help in the control of floods.

11. Our ancient rishis were attracted to the forest because they got peace to their mind.

12. Rabindranath Tagore started a school named Shantiniketan.

13. Forests give out a lot of water vapour and this helps to keep the air cool.

14. There are rocks under the surface of the earth .

15. Cattle dung can be used to maintain the fertility of land.

16. The air remains polluted because there are not enough trees to treat all the carbon dioxide produced by man.

A.3. Answer the following questions :

1. For what different purposes were trees used by man in ancient times?

Ans In ancient times trees were used by man for clothing, seeds were used as ornaments, utensils were fashioned from calabashes, coconuts and other fruits. Medicines, dyes, tanning material and spices were also obtained from the trees.

2. How do trees purify the air for us?

Ans. Trees supply the atmosphere with oxygen which purifies the air for us and absorb all the carbon dioxide.

3. What are the disadvantages of deforestation?

Ans. The disadvantages of deforestation are pollution, soil erosion, global warming, floods and drought.