

Chapter: From the Diary of Anne Frank

1. Read the extracts and answer the questions that follow in a line or two:

(i) To enhance the image of this long awaited friend in my imagination, I don't want to jot down the facts in this diary the way most people would do, but I want the diary to be my friend, and I'm going to call this friend 'Kitty'.

Since no one would understand a word of my stories to Kitty if I were to plunge right in, I'd better provide a brief sketch of my life, much as I dislike doing so.

- (a) Who was the long awaited friend of Anne? Why?
- (b) What did she provide in her diary?
- (c) Find a word from the extract which means the same as 'submerge'.
- (d) To write down the idea as and when it occurs in mind is ceiled

(ii) I get along pretty well with all my teachers. There are nine of them, seven men and two women. Mr. Keesing, the old fogey who teaches maths, was annoyed with me for ages, because I talked so much. After several warnings, he assigned me extra homework, an essay on the subject, 'A Chatterbox'. A chatterbox-what can you write about that ? I'd worry about that later, I decided. I jotted down the title in my notebook, tucked it in my bag and tried to keep quite.

- (a) In the passage whom does T stand for?
- (b) Who was Mr. Keesing?
- (c) Trace a word in the passage which means 'old fashioned'.
- (d) What was the topic of the 'essay'?

2. Answer these questions in 30-40 words:

- (i) Describe Anne's Feelings about having a diary.
- (ii) What does Anne Frank tell about her family in her diary?
- (iii) Describe your views about Mr Keesing as a teacher.
- (iv) What was Mr Keesing's reaction after reading Anne's poem on the third essay that he had given to her to write?
- (v) Describe Anne's love for her grandmother.

3. Answer the question in 120-150 words:

(i) "From the diary of Anne Frank' throws light on teacher-student relationship, class atmosphere and discipline.

Write a paragraph oh the values of these aspects of school and how far these values are necessary for learning and life.

(ii) How did Anne respond to the punishment by Mr. Keesing ? What light does it throw on her nature?
