



# Arsod English Classes

Time 1.15 min

XII

Marks : 24

## Que.1 (A) Read the extract and complete the activities given below: (12)

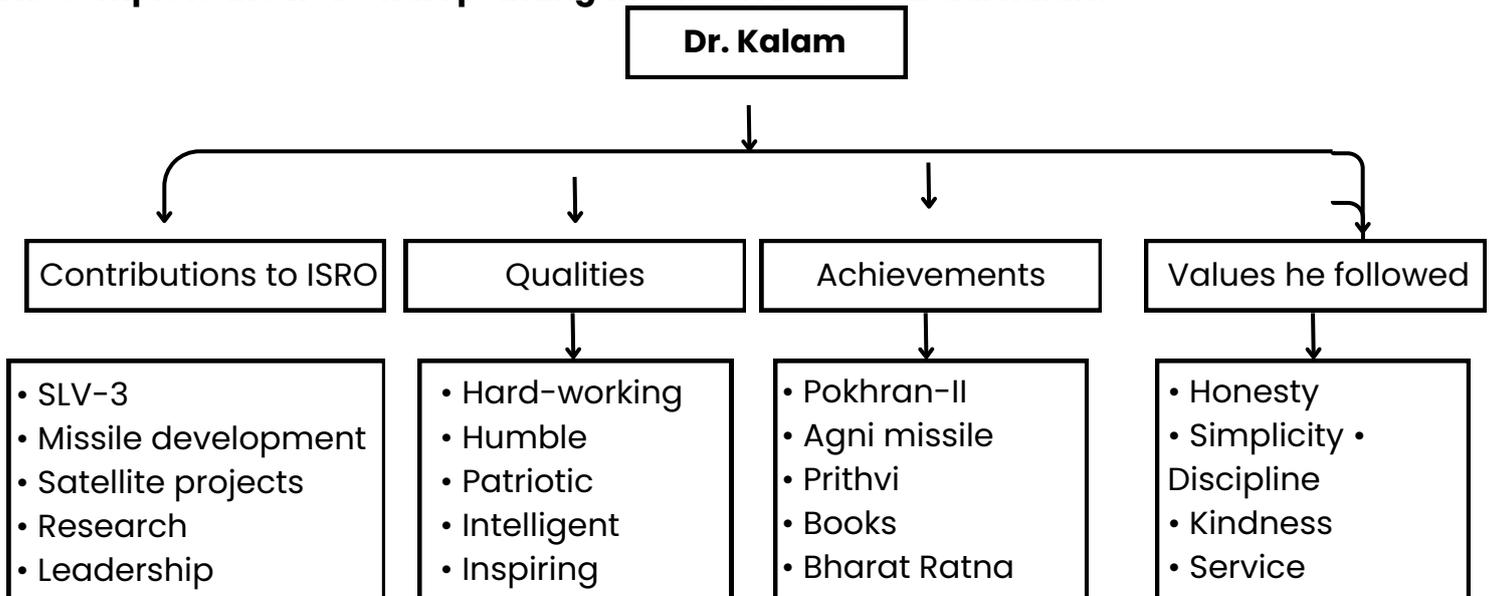
Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam was born on 15 October 1931 in Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu, in a simple and humble family. His father was a boat owner, and his mother was a homemaker. Growing up in poverty, Kalam worked hard from a young age by selling newspapers. Even in difficult conditions, he remained hopeful and curious. His childhood was shaped by discipline, honesty, and strong values. These early experiences taught him the importance of hard work and humility, which stayed with him throughout his life.

Kalam completed his schooling in Rameswaram and later studied physics at St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli. His deep interest in science inspired him to join the Madras Institute of Technology (MIT) to study aerospace engineering. At MIT, he developed a passion for aviation and dreamt of flying. Though he failed his first interview for the Air Force, he remained determined to serve the nation in another way. This determination helped him join India's Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).

Kalam later joined the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), where he played a key role in developing India's first Satellite Launch Vehicle (SLV-3). He contributed to the Pokhran-II nuclear tests and led several important missile projects like Agni, Prithvi, and Akash. Due to his achievements, he became known as the "Missile Man of India." Kalam believed in simple living and high thinking. He spent his life encouraging students to dream big and work hard. His vision was to make India self-reliant in science and technology.

In 2002, Dr. Kalam became the 11th President of India and was loved as the "People's President." He continued to teach, write, and motivate young minds even after his term ended. On 27 July 2015, while delivering a lecture at IIM Shillong, he collapsed and passed away. His death was a great loss to the nation. Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's life is a story of hard work, intelligence, patriotism, and service. He remains an inspiration for millions across the world.

### A1. Complete the web chart pointing the about Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam



### A2. Identify false statements and rewrite correcting them. (2)

- 1.Kalam was born in a rich family.
- 2.He worked at DRDO and ISRO.
- 3.He was called the People's President.
- 4.He died while giving a lecture.

False: Kalam was born in a rich family.

Correct : **Kalam was born in a simple and humble family**

**A3. Explain Kalam's contribution as a scientist. (2)**

Ans: Dr. Kalam's contribution as a scientist is great, unforgettable and made India strong in defence technology. He developed SLV-3, worked on satellite and missile projects, and played a key role in Pokhran-II nuclear tests.

**A4. Do you think Kalam is a good role model? Why? (2)**

Ans: Yes, Dr. Kalam is a very good role model because he always worked honestly and lived a simple life. He achieved great success through hard work and never stopped learning. He encouraged students to dream big and achieve their goals. His life inspires everyone to do good and stay humble.

**A5. Do as directed. (2)**

1] **Though he failed his first interview for the Air Force, he remained determined to serve the nation in another way. (Choose the correct Answer of a compound sentence)**

- a) He failed his first interview for the Air Force and he remained determined to serve the nation in another way. .
- b) Though he failed his first interview for the Air Force, but he remained determined to serve the nation in another way.

**Ans: c) He failed his first interview for the Air Force, but he remained determined to serve the nation in another way.**

- d) Although he failed his first interview for the Air Force, yet he remained determined to serve the nation in another way.

**2) At MIT, he developed a passion for aviation and dreamt of flying.**

**(Choose of sentence of " Not only ----- but also)**

- a) At MIT not only he developed a passion for aviation but also dreamt of flying.
- b) At MIT, he developed not only a passion for aviation but also dreamt of flying.**
- c) At MIT, he developed a passion not only for aviation but also dreamt of flying.
- d) Not only at MIT, he developed a passion for aviation but also dreamt of flying.

**A6. Match the following . (2)**

A	B
1) IIM Shillong	d) Place of death
2) Rameswaram	c) Birthplace
3) Agni	b) Missile
4) SLV-3	a) India's first launch vehicle

**(B) Summary Writing : (3)**

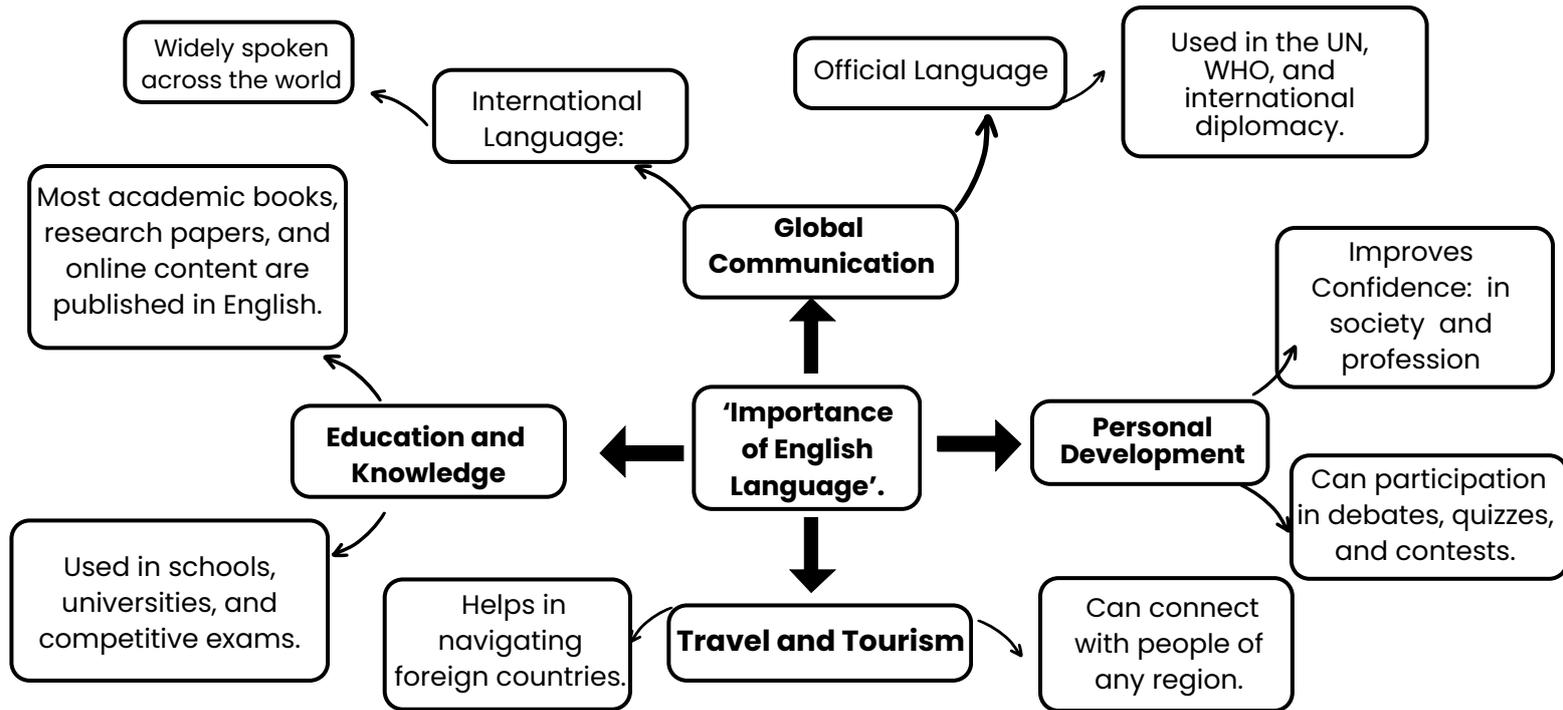
Prepare summary in 3 to 4 lines about Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam, using he following points. Give it a suitable title.

**(Early life ----- DRDO and ISRO ----- Politics ----- Qualities ----- death)**

Ans: Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam was a great scientist, leader, and inspiration to millions. Born in a humble family, he worked hard from childhood. His scientific achievements at DRDO and ISRO earned him the title "Missile Man of India." As the People's President, he motivated youth to dream big. He passed away in 2015 while addressing students. His life teaches dedication, simplicity, and service.

### Q.1 C. Mind Mapping: (3)

Develop a 'Mind Mapping' frame/design using your ideas/thoughts/concepts to illustrate/develop on the topic, 'Importance of English Language'.



### Q. 2. (A) Writing Skills

Complete the activities as per instructions given below: Attempt any two of the following: (8)

#### 1) Drafting speech: (4)

**Prepare a short speech in about 120 words to be delivered before your class on 'The Role of Youth in Nation-Building.' You can use the following points.**

- 1] Youth as the Backbone of Society.
- 2] Education and Development. .
- 3] Active Participation.
- 4] concluding the speech.

#### Drafting speech: on 'The Role of Youth in Nation-Building.' (4)

Good Morning, honourable Principal Sir, Respected teachers and my dear friends, today, as a class representative, I have come before you to express my views about "The Role of Youth in Nation-Building"

Friends, It is reality that we, the youth, are the backbone of any nation. Our energy, creativity, and passion helps in the progress of our India. With education and skill development, we can solve challenges and build a brighter future.

Friends, I think we, youth, must keep unity in our nation, though there are cultural and social divides. We should actively participate in governance, volunteering, and community development. because we can bring real change.

We all know that, today's youth have the power of technology and can solve any issues like climate change, unemployment, and inequality. As young citizens, let us pledge to contribute to nation-building by being responsible citizen of our nation. Together, we can shape a prosperous and beautiful India, fulfilling the dreams of our ancestors and inspiring future generations. let's work hard to turn this dream into reality.

Thank you very much friends for listening to me silently and carefully. I also thankful to my class teacher who has given me an opportunity to express my views here. Jai Hind

## **2] Expansion of an Idea:**

### **Expand the given idea " Time is Money" (100-150 words)**

Hints: Explain the concept, give example, illustrated the idea and give moral.

#### **Time is Money**

The proverb "Time is money" highlights the value of time. Really it is equally to the money. If we lost time, we can never regain it, just as money, if we wasted money, we cannot easily earn it back. Wise people use their time efficiently to achieve their goals and money, while those who waste it miss opportunities and fall in the problems. We can see it in the following example.

A farmer who sows seeds at the right time reaps a good harvest, but if delayed, the season is lost. Similarly, a student who studies regularly performs well in exams, while a careless one regrets wasting time later. This shows how managing time wisely can lead to success, while wasting it results in failure.

Time, like money, should be invested carefully in productive activities. The moral is simple: Treat time as a money. Use it wisely, for it is the key to achieving your dreams and building a successful life.

## **2) Compering :**

**Imagine that you are a compere of 'Teachers Day Programme' at your college. Prepare a script for the same with the help of following points.**

- 1) Introduction.
- 2) Importance of the Day.
- 3) Speech by your principal.
- 4) Different activities and felicitation of winners.
- 5) Vote of thanks.

### **Compering Script for Teacher's Day Celebration**

#### **Introduction:**

Good morning, everyone! Today, we have gathered here to celebrate a special day dedicated to our teachers. Teachers shape our future and play an important role in building a better society. Welcome to the Teacher's Day Celebration!

#### **Lighting the Lamp:**

I kindly invite our special guest, respected Mrs. Shanti Patil Madam, our principal Sir and vice-principal Sir, to inaugurate the function by lighting the ceremonial lamp.

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Thank you! With this, we officially inaugurate today's program. I kindly request our dignitaries to take their seats.

#### **Welcome Song:**

Now, let us honor our teachers with a melodious Welcome Song performed by our college music group. Let's applaud them.

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Thank you, friends, for that beautiful and heartfelt performance.

### Welcome Speech and Felicitation:

Today, we have a very special guest with us – Mrs. Shanti Patil Madam, who served in our college for 37 years and retired in 2023-24.

I request our principal Sir to felicitate her with a floral bouquet as a token of her contributions, dedication, and impact on our lives.

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Thank you, madam, for your invaluable contributions to our college and students.

### Main Events:

Now, let us move to the heart of today's celebration – the Main Events.

First, we have speeches by students expressing their gratitude and love for our teachers. Let's welcome them to share their words of appreciation.

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Thank you, friends, for those touching words that reflected the bond between teachers and students.

Now, I invite our special guest, Mrs. Shanti Patil Madam, to share her memorable experiences and valuable message with us.

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**Thank you, madam for your motivational address,**

### Vote of Thanks:

Finally, I invite our vice-principal Sir to thank everyone who made this day memorable.

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Thank you all for being a part of this wonderful celebration. Have a great day ahead, and please allow me to take your leave.

### NOVEL

Q.3 (A). Answer the following questions : (8)

(1) Match the column 'A' with 'B': (2)

A	B
a) Theme	i. philosophical statement, a central idea
b) Plot	iv. course of the events
c) Conflict	ii. the struggle in between opposite forces
d) Language, style	iii. techniques of the narration

**(2) Fill in the blanks by choosing correct alternative. (2)**

a) English word 'Novel' is derived from the Italian word \_\_\_\_\_

**(Novella, Novelle, Novellus)**

Ans: English word 'Novel' is derived from the Italian word **Novella**.

**(Novella, Novelle, Novellus)**

b) The first Indian English novel 'Rajmohan's wife' was written by \_\_\_\_\_

(Mulkraj Anand, R. K. Narayan, Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyaya)

Ans: The first Indian English novel 'Rajmohan's wife' was written by **Bankim Chandra**

**Chattopadhyaya**

c) The word 'epistolary' derives from the \_\_\_\_\_ word 'epistola'.  
( French, Latin, Greek)

Ans: The word 'epistolary' derives from the **Latin** word 'epistola'.  
(French, Latin, Greek)

d) \_\_\_\_\_ is also called a novel of manner.  
(Picaresque novel, Realistic novel, Psychological novel)

Ans: **Realistic novel** is also called a novel of manner.

**Q.3 (B). Answer the following questions in about 50 words: (4)**

**(1) Fernman brought a comic relief in the Students' Council Programme. Explain.**

Ans: A comic relief (humorous content/ मनोरंजन) is an element that creates humour in a serious situation. On the day of half-yearly report presentation, Fernman brought comic relief because his report on Physiology was presented in a funny way. He asked Welsh and Alison to bring a revolving skeleton on stage, which made everyone laugh. Many serious topics were presented before him, so his humorous act reduced tension and he brought comic relief in the Students' Council programme..

**(2) Give a brief character sketch of Denham: (4)**

Ans: Denham was initially rude and disrespectful in Braithwaite's class. However, Braithwaite's polite and patient approach changed him into a responsible and mature boy. He confidently hosted the Students' Council, behaved respectfully with senior girls, and even questioned Miss Phillips about the need for P.T. classes. He was also a trained boxer.