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My name is Neela and I am 18 years old. Currently, I am doing 1st year of graduation. I am doing self-preparation for the examinations which are going to be held in December. I am really looking forward to this, as I will be appearing for all the 8 subjects together. I am confident that I will be able to clear these exams, but am still keeping my fingers crossed and hoping for the best.

My favourite hobby is reading books of adventure, mystery and fantasy. But

unfortunately, because of my studies, I am not able to give a lot of time to my hobby. But I do read the books which are in my syllabus like 'Pot of Gold' by Plautus, 'Macbeth' by Shakespeare, 'Dr Faustus' by Marlowe, and 'A Tiger for Malgudi' by R.K. Narayan. I really enjoyed reading them. Whenever I had some difficulty in understanding, I consulted Pranjali bhaiya and he always helped me to comprehend them. Though I am always



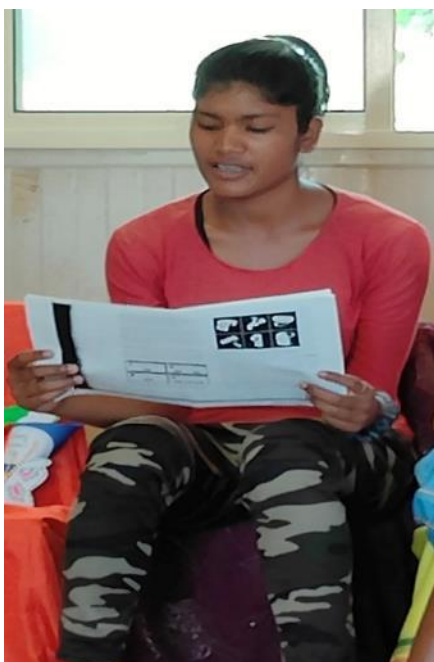
determined to do everything by myself yet there are many concepts for which I have to take the help of my teachers. I am very thankful to all the teachers who have taught me till now as they took out time from their busy schedules to teach me.



Academics

I have taken English Honours in my Graduation and am really trying hard to prepare for all the 8 papers together. I do not like to keep anything pending, so I try to solve all the questions of the assignments quickly and submit them as soon as possible. Pranjalbhaiya, Nigel bhaiya, Maya didi and Sandeep sir helped me to finish my syllabus and understand some of the more difficult course books. I really enjoyed learning

from these mentors as each one of them had their own ways of teaching us. We completed some of the course books with Pranjal bhaiya such as Indian writing in English, European classical literature and some others as well. He taught us the concepts which we found difficult by giving examples. I had many relevant and irrelevant queries but he patiently answered all of them. By studying with Pranjalbhaiya, we were able to complete our course in a short period. We sometimes had online classes when he was in Delhi and sometimes in-person classes when he came to



Kechla.

Nigel bhaiya (George) also took online classes in the evenings, I enjoyed learning with him as he explained all the concepts in detail. He taught me some chapters on Gender Sensitization. All my doubts were always cleared and I would be sure of the Chapter after he taught me. Nigel bhaiya and Maya didi (Phillip) came to Kechla for a week. Maya didi taught me some chapters of the same book which Nigel bhaiya was teaching. Her explanations were always in depth and detailed. I got to learn many new things with her. While teaching she introduced many interesting facts like test tube babies and others. It was indeed a great learning experience.



Sandeep sir (Saha) took online classes from Delhi. He taught me English Communication Skills. We completed the whole course of this book by mid-September. He taught us the content of the chapters by giving us lot of examples. After completing a chapter or two he always gave homework which I really enjoyed. We sent the completed homework through

e-mail and he used to check it and give us the feedbacks and remarks. I really enjoyed learning with him a lot.

Sudeep sir had come for some days from Assam and taught Social Science to the Humility Group and the Gratitude Group. He taught them some chapters of Geography with the help of videos. He also gave them many questions and corrected the answers.

I always take out time for myself to study because I like finishing my work on time. I study the chapters before they are dealt in the class so that when questions are asked I am always the first one to answer. If I am not able to answer them correctly the teacher helps me get the right answer. Often, I take the help of some videos to understand some concepts especially when I am studying alone. These videos help me to understand the concepts in a simpler way and so, I am able to remember them well. I tried to study my course book on Indian Society by myself. I did have some doubts, but the videos aided in overcoming the doubts.

My Contribution to Auro-Mira Vidya Mandir

I volunteered to teach the children of Auro-Mira Vidya Mandir and I enjoy teaching. I teach English and Social Science. I have been teaching these two subjects for the last three years. I enjoy teaching English more than Social Science as it is my favourite subject. I teach the NIOS syllabus of Class 10 of Social Science and English to the Gratitude Group and the Humility Group.



There are so many concepts of Social Science that need explanation, but I try my best to clear the doubts of my students. I give them tests and also check their notebooks. I



try to give more attention and encouragement to the children who are a little weak and less hardworking. I give them questions to answer to judge their understanding and based on that I mould my method of teaching.

I also teach English to these children. I find teaching English easier than Social Science. We check the

question-answers which they do from the textbook. We have completed the 1st book of NIOS and I had given them many tests on these chapters. With the help of these regular tests, we are able to find out the doubts of the children and then we are able to focus on those concepts again.

I also teach English to the Perseverance Group. I read out stories to them with expressions and put emphasis on pronunciation of difficult words. In this way the students also learn how to read stories and paragraphs with expressions. I read the story of Sri Aurobindo with them and while on this journey with them, I too learnt many new things and clarified my doubts about him. While doing grammar or checking comprehension with them, I always try to make the child understand his mistakes.



While teaching the children, I also get to learn many new things and new concepts which I



was not aware of. I try my best to give my full contribution and mould my lessons based on the concepts which the students want to learn. I will always keep on trying to improve myself so that I can be a better teacher.

Shramdaan

The children staying in the hostel are divided into five groups to perform the morning duties in Shramdaan. I am in Group A and my group consists of 15 children of mixed age group. We try to do our duties sincerely and obey whatever our instructors tell us to do. I enjoy working with my group as they are always cheerful while carrying out their duties. One can feel positive vibration among all participants. Whenever some instructors are not punctual, I take over the control of my group and divide the work amongst the children. I enjoy performing all the duties and always try to give my best performance in the work.



Celebrations

During the past six months, I performed on the stage only once- on the Independence Day. Otherwise, I just contributed by teaching the children some songs or making them practise for dramas. In these six months I helped the children of Gratitude and Humility in rehearsals for the Play that they were doing. Names of some of the plays are: 'Teamwork', 'Ouch', and 'The Life Story of Sri Aurobindo'. The children gave their full contribution while performing the plays and also during practise time. I enjoyed the rehearsals of the play 'Ouch' as it was a great comedy and the children enjoyed doing their humorous roles. They performed this Play on the special occasion of the school's birthday which falls on 5th July.



I also helped them with the play on Sri Aurobindo which they were to perform on 15th August. Their performance of the play was really good. On this special occasion, I along with my team performed a dance on the song



'VandeMataram'. I got stage fright but at the actual time of the performance, it was all forgotten and we really enjoyed it and put up a good show. Denis bhaiya who had come from Delhi for a fortnight taught us the dance. We enjoyed learning the dance under his guidance. He taught us three dances altogether. I am very thankful that I could learn dance from such an accomplished artiste.

Sports

My passion for basketball has increased during this



period. I got busy during the first round of games. So, I played in the second round

with the older students. I also enjoy playing volleyball and football but unfortunately, I am not able to play these games quite often. While playing football, I normally chose to play as a defender or sometimes as a goalkeeper. While playing volleyball, I like to stay at the back because the player mostly serves and gets lots of passes. I enjoy playing these games. During basketball, I enjoy dribbling past the players and then trying to score a basket.

I have to work harder in order to improve myself in every field. I will keep trying my best and use all my efforts.

