

Experiential Learning
Lesson: Iswaran the Storyteller

Activity Name	The Art Of Storytelling
Level	IX
Skill	Reflect, Create, Share, Connect
Time	2 sessions of 40 minutes
Grouping of Students	Groups of three
Material	Pens and paper

Learning Outcome: The students will be able to:

- read and comprehend the stories.
- learn that story telling is an art that can be used to one's advantage.
- make textual connections and comment on the style and purpose of writing of the author.

Stages:

- Setting up (giving instructions – guidelines, objectives, rules, time limit): 5 minutes
- Writing time: 20 minutes
- Presentation: 10 minutes
- Discussion and feedback: 5 minutes

Teacher's Activity: The teacher will:

- read the story to the class.
- ask students to recall that all of us have had that one storyteller in our lives who has enthralled us with his/her stories. Be it our grandparents who would be ever ready with their bedtime stories or a friend who would brighten our gatherings with their gripping tales.
- share the extended activities and the worksheet with the students.

Students' Activity: The students will:

- read the story 'Iswaran the Storyteller' in the class and the other story at an individual level.
- share personal experiences about story tellers who have captivated them with their tales.
- complete the extended learning activities and the worksheet.
- share their responses with their friends and the teacher.

Extended Learning Activity:

1. Students will read another riveting story written by Ruskin Bond, 'Pret in the House' along with 'Iswaran the Storyteller.' They can find the book in their library or online. They will reflect on the storytelling strategies done by the writer to hold the attention of

his readers. Students will try to find the similarities or differences the style used in both the stories. A discussion about the same will be carried out in class.

2. Students will think of some real-life situations where they can use the skill of storytelling. They will share their views in the class.

Extended Worksheet

3. Find the words in the story, 'Iswaran the Storyteller' that mean the same as given below: Complete this worksheet and paste it in your notebooks.

1. A large artificial hole in the ground where stone, sand, etc. is dug for use as building material. _____
2. A short amusing or interesting story about a real incident or person. _____
3. A place that is empty and not attractive, with no people or nothing pleasant in it. _____
4. To make something good, especially food, quickly and in a skillful way. _____
5. The state of being in someone's power, or of having great power over someone. _____
6. To spread the arms and legs out carelessly and untidily while sitting or lying down. _____
7. To pull something heavy slowly and with difficulty. _____
8. Damage or destruction. _____
9. In a way that suggests the presence of danger; threateningly. _____
10. Wrinkled and shrunken, especially as a result of loss of moisture or old age. _____