



Master Lesson Plan

For

The Story of Amrita

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The Story of Amrita

1. MS_Objectives_The Story of Amrita

Notes to the teacher: This asset lays down the proposed plan for transacting this chapter. It states the asset objectives of the MLP.

This asset is for teacher's reference and need not be taught to the students.

Students will be able to:

- locate Khejadali village on the map of Rajasthan
- appreciate villagers for the care they take of plants and animals
- value the teachings of their guru Jambaji
- identify the importance of trees
- learn the uses of the green cover
- learn to love parents always

Time to teach	Asset Type	Theme	SubTheme
3 Minutes	Main Script	Trees	Protecting Trees, Benefits fr Protecting Trees, Benefits fr

2. IA_Protecting and Preserving Trees

Teacher may start the session by asking students the following questions:

- Have you ever been given a special gift? Have
- you ever given a gift to anyone?
- How do you feel when you give a gift to someone?

Students can give different answers.

Possible answers:

- Yes
- We feel good to receive a gift.

King Of the desert (Khejadi tree)

This tree is a wonder tree found mainly in the Thar Desert region of Rajasthan.

- All parts of the tree are useful, so it is called Kalpataru.
- It is also known as the 'King of desert', and the 'wonder tree'.
- The fruit of the tree is eaten as sangria, cooked as a delicious vegetable.
- The dead leaves of the tree are natural fertilizers.
- Other parts are fed to the cattle as it increases the milk yield.

Teacher may then ask a few questions:

- Is nature a gift to us?
- Is it the most important gift to us? But for this gift, could we live on earth?



Teacher may summarise the answers given and conclude that nature – trees, water, air, etc. are nature's bounty and gift to us; it is our most important duty to take care of them. We have to do everything to protect and preserve them.

- Plant more trees.
- Water and nurture trees. Do
- not cut trees.
- Do not waste paper and reuse paper.

These are some simple ways by which each one of us can protect and preserve trees.



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Time to teach	Asset Type	Theme	SubTheme
5 Minutes	Interesting Asides	Trees	Protecting Trees, Protecting

3. MS_The Story Of Amrita

Note to the teacher:

The teacher may initiate a discussion to introduce the topic. The following questions may be asked for which the students can come up with various answers.

1. Is there a place near your house, school or along the roadside, where trees have been planted?

Possible answer:

- Yes, there are trees planted near our house, school. No,
- there are no trees along the roadside

2. Why do we plant trees?

Possible answer:

- Trees are planted in the gardens and along the roadsides
- Trees are planted in gardens in schools and houses because they look beautiful and provide greenery Trees also give us
- fresh air as they produce oxygen
- Trees give us food and wood
- Trees are planted along the roadside as they provide shade to the travelers during summers
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3. Have you seen anyone taking care of the trees? Who does this?

Possible answer:

- Yes, gardeners take care of trees and plants in the gardens, parks and along the roads

4. Do you think we could survive if there were no trees and animals?

Possible answer:

- No, it is not possible for us to survive without trees and animals
- Trees are very important for us as they provide oxygen for breathing. They also give us fruits, vegetables, wood and various other products
- Similarly, animals provide meat, eggs, dairy products (milk, cheese, etc.), wool etc. They are also used by humans for various other purposes such as carrying loads, protecting houses from thieves etc.
- Thus, we can say that we cannot survive without trees and animals

To explain the above points:

Teacher narrates the true story of Amrita who sacrificed her life for protecting trees.

Teacher will show the map of India and help students locate Rajasthan and Jodhpur on the map of India.

Three hundred years ago, in a village called Khejadli, lived a little girl Amrita Khejadli village is near Jodhpur in Rajasthan

- Where is Rajasthan?



- This was a village in Jodhpur and it got its name because of the Khejadi trees that grew there. The
- people of this village took great care of the plants, trees and animals.
- Animals roamed fearlessly.
- The people of the village respected and remembered the teachings of their elders who taught that we could never survive without trees.
- Every morning Amrita would get up early and greet her friends– the trees.
- She would choose a special tree every day and would put her arms around the tree trunk and whisper to her

- The other children of the village also had their special trees and would play for hours around the trees. One day
- when Amrita went to greet her trees, she saw that there were some strangers with axes (new people who you don't know) in her village.
- They were sent by the king to cut trees for wood.



- Amrita didn't allow the men to cut the tree and hugged it tightly.
- All people in the village followed her but in the process lost their lives.
- When the King got the news, he was surprised to note that people could give up their lives for trees. He was moved by this sacrifice.
- The King visited the village and ordered that in future that no trees would be cut and no animals would be harmed.
- Even today, the people of this area, the Bishnois continue to protect plants and animals.
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India Map: SSSVV Gallery (Keywords: Map)

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Time to teach	Asset Type	Theme	SubTheme
10 Minutes	Main Script	Trees	Protecting Trees, Protecting

4. SA_Benefits From Trees

Aim: Students learn the benefits we get from trees from the word search.

Materials required: Copies of word search

Setting for the Activity [Indoor/Outdoor] Indoor

Type of Activity: [Demonstration / Experiment/ Field Trip/ Project] NA

Procedure: Students work in pairs to find the words from the grid.

W	S	Q	F	O	O	D	E	F	A	S	R	E	R	F	E	S	H
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A	A	S	T	N	T	R	E	T	C	M	E	M	Y	H	E	S	A
Z	Z	C	F	S	Y	V	C	G	T	N	N	U	E	A	H	T	C

How many of these words can you find?

FOOD, SHELTER, SHADE, ENVIRONMENT, HUMIDITY, PAPER, OXYGEN, WOOD, MEDICINE, FRUITS, CARBON DIOXIDE, HEALTH

Answers

W	S	Q	F	O	O	D	E	F	A	S	R	E	R	F	E	S	H
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O	M	L	E	D	U	R	D	C	L	D	O	S	T	F	K	N	R
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A	A	S	T	N	T	R	E	T	C	M	E	M	Y	H	E	S	A
Z	Z	C	F	S	Y	V	C	G	T	N	N	U	E	A	H	T	C

Conclusion:

The students identify the words that tell us about the benefits we get from trees.

Instructions to Teacher:

Teacher can discuss the benefits of the trees

Precautions: NA

Time to teach	Asset Type	Theme	SubTheme
10 Minutes	Suggested Activity	Trees	Benefits from Trees, Benefit

5. IQ_Protection Of Trees

1. Who was an ancient Emperor who focused on the importance of trees and wildlife?

Ans. The most prominent ruler in ancient India who focused on clean environment and wildlife conservation was Emperor Ashoka.

2. Why are Bishnois one of the most interesting people in India?

Ans. The Bishnois are strong lovers of wild animals. They protect the deer and antelopes. They dedicate their lives to protect the environment.

3. How many trees are there on Earth?

Ans. Three trillion

4. What are trees called that keep their green leaves all year round?

Ans. Evergreen

5. Who sacrificed his life to protect wild animals.

Ans. Nihal Chand Bishnoi (30 years old) in 1996 sacrificed his life for protecting wildlife.

Time to teach	Asset Type	Theme	SubTheme
5 Minutes	Inquisitive Questions	Trees	Protecting Trees, Protecting

6. DD_Benefits From Trees

There are a number of benefits that we get from trees.

- Trees give us oxygen.
- They clean air.
- They help prevent water pollution.
- They provide food.
- They provide wood.



They also possess medicinal properties. Leaves, bark, flowers and fruits are used as medicine.



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Time to teach	Asset Type	Theme	SubTheme
3 Minutes	Day-to-day Relevance	Trees	Benefits from Trees, Benefit

7. VC_Always Love Your Parents

A long time ago, there was a huge Mango tree. A little boy loved to come and play around it every day. He climbed to the treetop, ate the mangoes and took a nap under the shadow. He loved the tree and the tree love to play with him.



Time went by. The little boy had grown up and he now longer played around the tree every day.

One day the boy came back to the tree and he looked sad. 'Come and play with me', the tree asked the boy.



"I am no longer a kid. I do not play around trees anymore," the boy replied. "I want toys. I need money to buy them." 'Sorry. But I do not have any money, but you can pick all my mangoes and sell them. So, you will have money.'

The boy was so excited. He grabbed all the fruits on the tree and left happily. The boy never came back for a long time. The tree was sad.

The boy now turned into a man and returned to the tree. The tree was excited. 'Come and play with me' the tree said. "I do not have time to play. I have to work for my family. We need a house for shelter. Can you help me?" 'Sorry ... but I do not have any house. But you can chop off my branches to build your house.'



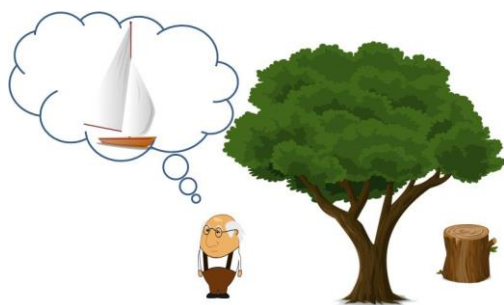
'So the man cut all the branches of the tree and left happily. The tree was glad to see him happy but the man never came back for a long time. The tree was again lonely and sad.

One hot summer day, the man returned and the tree was delighted. The man had grown old. 'Come and play with me!' the tree said.

'I am getting old. I want to go sailing to relax myself, can you give me a boat?' said the man.

"Use my trunk to build your boat. You can sail far away and be happy."

So the man cut the tree trunk to make a boat. He went sailing and never showed up for a long time.



Finally, the man returned after many years. 'Sorry, my boy. But I do not have anything for you anymore. No more mangoes for you', the tree said.

"No problem, I do not have any teeth to bite" the man replied.

'No more trunk for you to climb on.'

'I am too old for that now.' The man said.



"I really cannot give you anything, the only thing left is my dying roots," the tree said with tears.

"I do not need much now, just a place to rest. I am tired after all these years," the man replied.

'Good! Old tree roots are the best place to lean on and rest, come sit down with me and rest.'

The man sat down and the tree was glad and smiled with tears.

This is a story of everyone. The tree is like our parents. When we are young, we love to play with our Mum and Dad. When we grow up, we leave them. We come to them when we need something or when we are in trouble. But like the tree in the story, parents will always be there and give everything they can just to make us happy.

Always love your parents.

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Time to teach	Value Type	Value Sub Type	Value Attribute
5 Minutes	Love		Stories

8. QA_Trees

I. Fill in the blanks:

1. Khejadli village is near _____ in Rajasthan.
2. People of Khejadli village gave their lives to _____ the trees and animals.
3. We cannot _____ without plants and animals.
4. The number of sparrows and mynahs are less nowadays due to the _____.
5. We must protect plants and animals because they are our _____ resources.
6. People of Khejadli village are called _____.
7. _____ is the capital city of Rajasthan.

Answers

1. Jodhpur 2. protect 3. survive 4. cutting of trees 5. natural 6. Bishnois 7. Jaipur

II. Write true or false:

1. If you plant more trees, your village will be nice and green –
2. If we cut trees, we will not get enough rain -
3. We should collect only the dry sticks that fall from trees for firewood –
4. If we hunt animals, we will not be punished –
5. The Bishnois belong to Karnataka –

Answers

1. True 2. True 3. True 4. False 5. False

III. Tick the harmful effects of destroying forest.(Deforestation)

1. We will get more rain. ()
2. We cannot get fresh air. ()
3. Soil erosion cannot take place. ()

4. We get more fruits and vegetables. ()

5. Global warming will increase. ()

Answers

2 and 5

IV. Answer the following:

1. Who are Bishnois?

2. How are trees useful to us?

3. Should we cut trees? Why?

4. What will happen if people cut trees?

5. What can we do to keep our environment clean?

Answers

1. The Bishnois are a community of people in Rajasthan who take great care of plants and animals.

2. Trees give us the oxygen we breathe.

They also give us medicines, flowers, fruits, wood and shade.

Trees maintain the balance in the environment.

Trees help in the formation of rain.

Trees are the living place for many birds and animals.

3. No, we should not cut trees as they are useful to us in many ways.

Trees are our true friends.

If we cut them, we will be punished by law.

4. The animals of the jungle will have no place to live and will enter the village.

People will have less oxygen to breathe.

There will be less rain and more water problems.

5. We should plant more trees.

We should take care of plants and animals.

We should not cut trees or kill animals.

Time to teach	Asset Type	Theme	SubTheme
10 Minutes	Assessments	Trees	Protecting Trees, Protecting

9. MS_Summary_The Story of Amrita

In this lesson we learnt:

- to locate Khejadali on the map
- the importance of taking care of plants and animals
- the teachings of Guru Jambaji
- the uses of trees
- the importance of loving our parents

Time to teach	Asset Type	Theme	SubTheme
5 Minutes	Main Script	Trees	Protecting Trees, Benefits fr Protecting Trees, Benefits fr