Work Sheet (Class 8)

Subject: English

Work Sheets: Chapter 1 The Tsunami (Total mark 80)

Answers

I

Q No	Answers	Mark
1	(iii) Policeman.	1
2	(ii) Katchal.	1
3	(iv) All of them.	1
4	(iii) John's wife.	1
5	(i) Guesthouse Cook.	1
6	(iv) None of these.	1
7	(iii) Both (i) & (ii).	1
8	(ii) Wooden door.	1
9	(iii) Relief helicopter	1
10	(i) Eleven.	1

II

Q No	Answers	Mark
11	British.	1
12	Ten.	1
13	Carmel Convent	1
14	Petrol pump.	1
15	Nancowry.	1
16	Christmas.	1
17	Almas grandfather.	1
18	Phuket Beach.	1
19	Log of wood.	1
20	Hospital.	1

III

Q No	Answers	Mark
21	Tsunami is a very large and powerful wave caused by earthquakes under	2
	the sea. On 26 December 2004, a tsunami hit Thailand & parts of India	
	such as Andaman & Nicobar Islands, and the Tamil 'Nadu Coast.	
22	Ignesious was the manager of a cooperative society in Katchall. His wife	2
	felt an earthquake at 6 a.m. in the morning. Ignesious carefully took his	
	television set off its table and put it down on the ground so that it would	
	not fall and break.	
23	Meghna was a 13-years old girl who swept away along with her parents	2
	and 77 other people. She spent two days floating in the sea, holding on to	

	a wooden door 11 times. She saw relief helicopter overhead, but they didn't see her. At last, she was found walking on the seashore in a daze.	
24	Almas was a little girl who spent her days on wood floating and then she fainted. When she woke up, she was in a hospital in Kamorta from where she was brought to Port Blair. She didn't talk with anyone about incident because she was still traumatised.	2
25	Tilly Smith was a British school girl. She was 10 years old and was able to save many lives when the tsunami struck Phuket beach in Thailand. That's why she was awarded a number of awards.	2
26	The Smith family from South East England was celebrating Christmas at a beach resort in Southern Thailand.	2
27	Tilly Smith sensed that something was wrong. Her mind kept going back to a geography lesson she had taken in England. She remembered that she had learnt this in class in a video of a tsunami that had hit the Hawaii; an Island in 1946. She knew that tsunami can be caused by earthquakes, volcanoes and landslide.	2
28	Tilly screamed that it is Tsunami. Even though her mother did not know what it is still they went away from the beach. Tourists of the beach also went to the 3rd floor of the hotel and this is how they saved their life.	2
29	Elephants screamed and ran for higher ground; dogs refused to go outdoors; flamingoes abandoned their low-flying breeding areas; and zoo animals rushed into their shelter. These behaviours tell us about their secret power.	2
30	At Cuddalore coast, thousands of people perished, but buffaloes, goats and dogs were found unharmed.	2

IV 3x5=15

Q No	Answers	Mark
31	When the wife of Ignesious felt an earthquake, she woke Ignesious up. Ignesious thought it just to be a common earthquake and he decided to protect his costly household appliances. He carefully took his television set off its table and put it down on the ground so that it would not fall and	3
32	break. When the tremors stopped, they saw the sea rising. In the chaos and confusion, two of his children caught hold of the hands of their mother's father and mother's brother, and rushed in the opposite direction. He never saw them again. His wife was also swept away. Only the three other children who came with him were saved.	3
33	Sanjeev was a policeman, serving in the Katchall Island of the Nicobar group of islands. He somehow managed to save himself, his wife and his baby daughter from the waves. But then he heard cries for help from the wife of John, the guesthouse cook. Sanjeev jumped into the water to rescue her, but they were both swept away.	3
34	Thirteen year old Meghna was swept away along with her parents and seventy-seven other people. She spent two days floating in the sea, holding on to a wooden door. Eleven times she saw relief helicopters overhead, but they did not see her. She was brought to the shore by a wave, and was found walking on the seashore in a daze.	3

35	When the tremors came early in the morning, the family was sleeping.	3
	Almas's father saw the sea water recede. He understood that the water	
	would come rushing back with great force. He woke everyone up and	
	tried to rush them to a safer place.	

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36	When the earthquake woke Almas's father, he tried to rush the family members to a safer place. As they ran, Almas's grandfather was hit on the head by something and he fell down. Almas's father rushed to help him. Then came the first giant wave that swept both of them away. Almas's mother and aunts stood clinging to the leaves of a coconut tree, calling out to her. A wave uprooted the tree, and they too were washed away.	5
37	Tsunamis are giant waves caused by earthquakes or volcanic eruptions under the sea. Out in the depths of the ocean, tsunami waves do not dramatically increase in height. But as the waves travel inland, they build up to higher and higher heights as the depth of the ocean decreases. The speed of tsunami waves depends on ocean depth rather than the distance from the source of the wave. Tsunami waves may travel as fast as jet planes over deep waters, only slowing down when reaching shallow waters. While tsunamis are often referred to as tidal waves, this name is discouraged by oceanographers because tides have little to do with these giant waves.	5
38	When Tilly saw the sea to slowly rise, and start to foam, bubble and form whirlpools, her mind kept going back to a geography lesson she had taken in England just two weeks before she flew out to Thailand with her family. She remembered that she had seen this in class in a video of a tsunami that had hit the Hawaiian Islands in 1946. Her geography teacher had shown her class the video, and told them that tsunamis can be caused by earthquakes, volcanoes and landslides.	5
39	Whether animals are having sixth sense is a debated matter. However the incidents during Tsunami hints at that the animals have sixth sense. The giant tsunami waves that rolled through the Indian Ocean killed more than 150,000 people in a dozen countries; but not many animals have been reported dead. Many people believe that animals possess a sixth sense and know when the earth is going to shake. Some experts believe that animals' more acute hearing helps them to hear or feel the earth's vibration. They can sense an approaching disaster long before humans realise what's going on.	5
40	The incidents show that animals sensed about Tsunami and could save themselves. Along India's Cuddalore coast, where thousands of people perished, buffaloes, goats and dogs were found unharmed. The Yala National Park in Sri Lanka is home to a variety of animals including elephants, leopards, and 130 species of birds. Sixty visitors were washed away from the Patanangala beach inside the park; but no	5

animal carcasses were found, except for two water buffaloes.	
About an hour before the tsunami hit, people at Yala National Park had	
observed three elephants running away from the Patanangala beach.	
