

English-302

Chapter - 16 I must know the truth

Summary

Aradhana was a Bharatanatyam dancer. She was preparing for the Kamala Devi School of Dance and Music's inaugural dance ceremony. Aradhana's mother, grandmother, and Aunt Pramela all attended the inauguration. She was getting ready backstage when Aunt Pramela disclosed that Aradhana was adopted and that her parents should prepare her for reality. Aradhana was upset since she did not want to perform during the inauguration. Aradhana's mother tried to console her by giving her a necklace to wear to the performance. Aradhana performed just for her mother since she was sure that her mother's love was irreplaceable.

Important points from the text:

- This story is about a girl named Aradhana, a talented dancer who was asked to perform at the inauguration ceremony of the Kamala Devi School of Dance and Music.
- Simmi Aradhana's younger sister, embraced and appreciated her greatly during the ceremony.
- Aradhana with a pleated saree, blouse, long hair, flowers on hair, and gold jewellery piqued her interest. She went on to say that Aradhana was stunning.
- Aradhana's grandmother, mother, and aunt Pramela came to watch Aradhana's wonderful dance performance. Aradhana disliked Aunt Pramela so much that seeing her at the event made her unhappy and sensitive.
- Her mother had purchased her a necklace for her eighteenth birthday, something she could wear that evening. Meanwhile, Pramela mentioned that Aradhana was thin and black when her mother brought her, and that Aradhana should be informed of her adoption.
- Aradhana became agitated after hearing everything. After hearing about her past, she went pale, but her mother tried to comfort her. Her mother handed her the necklace, telling her that her parents had purchased it for her birthday and that she should concentrate on her performance.
- Aradhana refused to dance following the revelation and refused to perform at the wedding. Her mother attempted to soothe her, telling her that she adored her and that they had shared all of their joys and sorrows for the last 18 years.
- She attempted to persuade Aradhana that being with her for 18 years was more significant than carrying her for nine months in the womb. After listening to her mother's plea Aradhana danced for her adopted 'Mother'.
- She danced for her mother, not her teacher or the audience. She danced for one person only, who followed every movement she made with bright, burning eyes.

Important words from the text:

- Commenced: begin/to start off
- Rheumatism: any disease marked by inflammation and pain in joints
- Despair: hopelessness/depression
- Muffled: quieter or less distinct

- Fierce: ferocious/ untamed
- Whimpered: low sound
- Trembled: shaking involuntary
- Aggressively: angry/hostile

Evaluate yourself:

1. What was Aradhana dressed up for?
2. “Nothing has changed today, nothing at all!”Who says this?What had not changed?
3. ‘She danced for one person only.’Who was this person? Why did she dance only for her?
4. Did she wear the necklace her parents had given her? If so, why do you think she did so?

Do you know?

Phrasal verbs are action-indicating phrases. They are most commonly found in spoken English and casual writings. Turn down, come across, and rush into are examples of such verbs.

Phrasal verbs are verbs that combine a verb with a preposition, an adverb, or both, and functions as a verb with a meaning that varies from the combined meanings of the individual words.

Verb	Preposition/adverb
get	up
go	through
write	down
take	after
looks	after

Extend your horizon.

Requesting Leave Letter to Principal, Application to Principal for Certificates, many more reasons have existed for students to draft a letter to the principal. So, here is a sample letter to help you to know that what should be included in the letter.

The Principal
 Sunrise Senior School
 Sector-21, Noida
 Uttar Pradesh, India

2nd September 2021

Respected Ma’am,

I am writing to you to seek permission for approval of the tree planting project that my club members and I talked to you about in our last meeting. The school's Environment Club is determined to preserve the environment and make our school beautiful and a good space to be in.

I humbly request that you look into the matter as soon as possible because we are almost at the end of the term and wouldn't like to end it without achieving our aim.

I am looking forward to a positive response from you ma'am.

Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,

Arjun Mathur

Class 10th

section-B

Read the above mentioned letter and try to draft a formal letter on your own.