

CBSE Class 10 English Communicative

Sample Paper - 10

CODE: 101

TIME - 3 HOURS

MAXIMUM MARKS- 80

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- The question paper is divided into three sections :
 - SECTION A: Reading 20 MARKS
 - SECTION B: Writing and Grammar 30 MARKS
 - SECTION C: Literature 30 MARKS
 - All questions are compulsory.
 - You may attempt any section at a time.
 - All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.
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SECTION A: READING

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Now your TEARS will produce electricity

London, Oct 3: In a finding that could lead to a non-toxic way to power biomedical devices, scientists have discovered a way to produce electricity from tears.

The researchers observed that crystals of lysozyme, which is a model protein that is abundant in tears as well as in the egg whites of birds, saliva and the milk of mammals, can generate electricity when pressed.

The discovery, detailed in the journal Applied Physics Letters, may have wide reaching applications and could lead to further research in the area of energy harvesting and flexible electronics for biomedical devices.

Future applications of the discovery may include controlling the release of drugs in the body by using lysozyme as a physiologically mediated pump that scavenges energy from its surroundings.

The ability to generate electricity by applying pressure -- known as direct piezoelectricity -- is a property of materials such as quartz that can convert mechanical energy into

electrical energy and vice versa.

Bone, tendon and wood are long known to possess piezoelectricity, the researchers said. "The extent of the piezoelectricity in lysozyme crystals is of the same order of magnitude found in quartz. However, because it is a biological material, it is non-toxic so could have many innovative applications such as electro active, anti-microbial coatings for medical implants," said lead author Aimee Stapleton, a postgraduate student at the Bernal Institute, University of Limerick (UL) in Ireland.

Being naturally bio compatible and piezoelectric, lysozyme may present an alternative to conventional piezoelectric energy harvesters, many of which contain toxic elements such as lead, the researchers noted.

Attempt any eight of the following questions on the basis of the passage you have read. (1MX8=8M)

- i. What is the theme of this passage?
- ii. Name the Irish University mentioned in the passage?
- iii. Explain the term Quartz?
- iv. Give any two areas of applications where we use applied physics?
- v. What is available in the milk of mammals?
- vi. Define direct piezoelectricity?
- vii. What are the two things compared in the passage?
- viii. Synonym for the word "comsi comsa" from the passage.
- ix. Which materials possess piezoelectricity?

2. Read the following passage and answer the questions below: (12 Marks)

1. There is sudden panic in the media and political circles about the Indian Economy. Private investment is not picking up in India. This, is the crux of the problem and this needs to be resolved to revive the Indian Economy.
2. The Indian 24×7 news channels, especially the Indian English news channels have gone into a frenzy about the gloom in the Indian Economy, ever since the growth rate for the 1st quarter of 2017-2018 have been published. They are amply supported by some ex FMs of India who through their columns have magnified the problems in the Indian Economy to scary proportions.
3. Demonetization and GST, two of the reforms of the present Union government of India, have suddenly become the antagonists of the economic story as per the Indian Media. A few months ago, these two reforms were the protagonists of the Indian

Government as per the same media. So how did the protagonists become the antagonists within a span of months.

4. This is the result of "Lazy Economics" a term that was put forward by Surjit Bhalla a well known Economist, who is now a part of the new Economic Advisory Council (EAC) constituted by Prime Minister Modi in September 2017. Yes, this indeed is nothing but "Lazy Economics", cause even after hours of debates and columns after columns, none of these celebrity journalists or ex FMs have been able to substantiate with facts, the "Huge" impact of demonetization and GST on the Indian Economy.
5. Anyone who has been observing the Indian Economy even casually will notice that the GDP figure has been dipping for about 6 quarters now, which means it's been dipping even for 3 quarters before demonetization. As for GST, the irony is that, it wasn't even implemented in the 1st quarter of this FY 2017-2018, for which, this so called "dismal" GDP growth figure of 5.7% was published and triggered this frenzy about the gloom in the Indian Economy. This is proof enough of how ignorant these celebrity journalists and how "Consciously ignorant" the ex- FMs are about the effects of demonetization and GST on the Indian Economy.
6. The lack of jobs growth or jobs creation is another indicator that is screamed out loud in these "Gloomy Economy" debates and columns. Even a lazy glance through Indian Economy over the past 6 years will show that jobs creation in India was low even when the GDP growth figure was above 7%.
7. This is where I want people to notice the crux of the problem in the Indian Economy, which is Private Investment especially MSME Investment. Observing the Indian Economy over the past 6 years will reveal that Private Investment especially MSME Investment dropped to sharply by 2013 and hasn't picked up much since then. The other indicator that explains this drop and no-growth in private investment is the figure on lending growth in India. Lending to MSMEs is at dismal levels, almost at 1992 levels. So what does this tell us and what is the problem in the Indian Economy and can it be revived and if yes how.
8. The reality is that most of the private sector, especially the MSME sector in India are dependent on banks, nbfc and other lending institutions for funds. If lending isn't going to grow meaningfully, then it just implies that Private Investment especially MSME Investment isn't going to grow meaningfully. Unless MSME segment grows, jobs are not going to be created in India. Public spending can never be a substitute for

private investment especially in a country like India whose growth over the past 2 decades has been primarily driven by private investment. So for robust and sustained growth, private investment has to grow meaningfully in India and for this lending to MSMEs has to grow significantly from present levels. So what has led to this tremendous pessimism in lending. The NPAs and resulting caution and suspicion of banks about the private sector especially the MSME sector has caused this. I must honestly admit that I am not an authority in banking, but from what I know, the banks have more than one means of restructuring the NPAs of MSMEs and infrastructure companies into long term diminishing loans. This along with a solid backing of the frontline branch managers by the government, the kind of backing this union government has given to the defence establishment including the frontline soldiers needs to be given to the bankers. This I feel will revive lending significantly and I am convinced that unless lending to MSMEs revives in India, Private Investment isn't going to grow significantly. The MUDRA scheme is an excellent scheme; however the implementation of this has been far from ideal. This scheme is supposed to benefit the tiny Establishments and very small entrepreneurs who did not have access to traditional bank lending. However, bankers already living under fear of past NPAs, and constantly under fear of investigative agencies are not lending to the actual target of this MUDRA scheme. So the implementation of the MUDRA scheme too needs to be given a turbo push. These above-mentioned suggestions will definitely push up lending which in turn will revive the private investment and which in turn will revitalize the jobs creation and Economy growth.

9. Now, would demonetization and GST have no impact on the Indian Economy. No, demonetization and GST according to me are great structural reforms of the Indian Economy. So what do we mean by structural reforms. The Indian MSME segment and as a result the Indian Economy was largely an informal Economy. There have been several estimates, but it can be safely said that more than 70% of the Indian MSME segment has been informal, which means that it was running on cash and without bills. That explains the more than necessary currency in the system before demonetization. So demonetization and GST have increased the cost and risk of being in the informal Economy and thereby forcing the MSME sector to become a part of the formal economy. This has indeed hit the profitability of the MSME sector which is already grappling with lack of funds due to decrease or lack of lending. Based on a

math by Surjit Bhalla, he said that a company in India is totally taxed roughly ₹70.00 for every ₹100.00 he makes as against ₹40.00 in Bangladesh for every ₹100.00 an entrepreneur in Bangladesh makes. So along with structural reforms like the demonetization and GST that push the MSMEs from the informal to the formal economy, the government should also needs to rationalize total taxation of MSMEs in such a way that they are taxed lesser than MSMEs in competing nations.

10. So turbo push lending to MSMEs and infrastructure companies and also turbo push implementation of the MUDRA scheme, along with this rationalize taxation of MSMEs. This I am convinced will turbo push the Indian Economy and jobs in India. The present Union government of India has the will and the capability to do what needs to done to revitalize the economy. The time is ripe and I look forward to their implementation now.

2.1 On the basis of your reading of the passage, fill in any four of the following in 30-40 words each. (2M x 4 = 8M)

- a. Define the term “Lazy Economics”. Justify from the passage point of view?
- b. Give the major reason for the two protagonists being changed to antagonists? Name them.
- c. How to revive lending and increase the Private investment in India?
- d. How to transform the informal Indian economy to a formal economy?
- e. What is Gloomy Economy?

2.2 On the basis of your reading of the passage, fill in any two of the following blanks with appropriate words/phrases. (1M x 2 = 2M)

- i. The word in the passage that means more sitting and little physical exercise is _____.
- ii. India lacks in _____.
- iii. Demonetization and GST are _____.

2.3 Attempt any two of the following find out the word which mean the same as under. (1M x 2 = 2M)

- i. 'crux' (Paragraph 1)
- ii. 'Gloomy' (Paragraph 6)
- iii. 'implementation' (Paragraph 8)

SECTION B: (WRITING and GRAMMAR) 30 Marks

3.

- a. National academy of sports management, Mumbai has recently introduced a course in Bachelor of Business Administration(Sports management). The prospects of this course are not clear to your mind. Write a letter to the head of the department of the college enquiring about the future prospects of this course and requesting him to send a prospectus, if any. You are Chaman/Chanchal, 25 Ashirwad Apartment, Kolhapur. (8 marks)

OR

- b. You are Sarla/Deepak of 39, Lajpat Nagar, Varanasi. Your family is planning to hold the marriage of your elder sister in Delhi. Write a letter to the manager of the community hall in Rohini, Delhi inquiring about the rent and other arrangements to be done at the time of your sister's wedding.

4. **Write a story in 150-200 words based on the input given below: (10 marks)**

Hari drove fast. He was already late for his office. He had got up late and it was his first day of work.....

OR

It was dark, when we got down from the train. The place was totally strange to us. Gopi who had promised to be at the station was nowhere in sight.....

5. **Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the help of given options: (4 marks)**

This is (a)_____ poem. Not a short story. Don't let that stop you. Frost uses (b)_____ 1,010 words to teach you something about the complexity of life, death, marriage, longing, loss, and parenthood. Take note (c)_____ the emotional and physical position of the characters (d)_____ relationship to one ____ (e) ____ over the course of the poem.

- a. (i) the (ii) an (iii) a (iv) on
b. (i) across (ii) about (iii) some (iv) around
c. (i) are (ii) by (iii) were (iv) of

- d. (i) at (ii) is (iii) in (iv) by
- e. (i) another (ii) other (iii) by (iv) on

6. **The following paragraph has some words omitted. Find the word. (4 marks)**

	Before	Word	After
One thing we all must do to co-operate	A_____	_____	_____
with police and pay heed to their advice.	B_____	_____	_____
They warn us not touch unidentified,	C_____	_____	_____
unclaimed suspicious objects like transistors,	D_____	_____	_____
brief cases etc. We follow their advice.	E_____	_____	_____

7. **Rearrange the following words to make meaningful sentences. Do any four. (4 marks)**

- a. are/the/below/the/steps/change/speech/direct/into/to/reported
- b. reported/try/change/reporting/to/verb/as/per/the/the/speech
- c. the/ commas/ conjunctions/ and /remove /replace/ them /with /replace
- d. pronouns /speech/ in/ personal/ reported/ change/ the
- e. punctuality/a necessary/habit/is/all civilized societies/i

SECTION C: (LITERATURE READER) 30 Marks

8. Read the extract and answer the following: (4 X 1 =4)

- i. 'I said quietly. "They ended up at the Computer Fair. And we bought them."
 - a. Who was the speaker of this statement?
 - b. Name the paraphernalia that is being referred to.
 - c. To whom did that originally belong to?
 - d. Why did Michael go to the Computer Fair?

OR

- ii. Patol Babu was literally surprised by the news at the start of the day. As per his thoughts, it is insane to get an offer to act in a film at the age of 52
 - a. Replace the word insane.
 - b. What was the news all about?

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- c. What made him to think so?
 - d. Did Patol expect such news?

9. Answer the following questions: (4 X 2 = 8)

- a. How do you compare and contrast the first game with the second game?
- b. How was the snake treated initially?
- c. Why is the poem “The ancient mariner” told in the point of view of a surviving person?
- d. Why did the ghost organize “The Writer’s Inspirational Bureau”?

10. Answer the following in detail (150 words) (1 X 8 = 8)

Did the family of the boys have a comfortable life before war? What made them impoverish?

OR

Pick out instances from the story that point the fact that the author was trying to make fun of Mrs. Packetide, Loona etc.

11. Answer the following in 200 – 250 words: (10)

A. The Story of My Life

Describe the struggles and achievements of Helen Keller through her autobiography?

OR

Explain the painful process Helen went through to learn reading and writing?

B. The Diary of a Young Girl

Describe the theme of 'The Diary of a Young Girl' with its motifs and symbols.

OR

Give a character sketch of Peter Van.

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Answer

1.
 - i. Producing electricity through tears
 - ii. University of Limerick
 - iii. Quartz is a mineral composed of silicon and oxygen atoms
 - iv. Applied physics is physics which is intended for a particular technological or practical use. It is usually considered as a bridge or a connection between physics and engineering. Technology, science, engineering etc...
 - v. crystals of lysozyme, which is a model protein
 - vi. The ability to generate electricity by applying pressure -- known as direct piezoelectricity
 - vii. "The extent of the piezoelectricity in lysozyme crystals is of the same order of magnitude found in quartz.
 - viii. i) implants ii) Harvesting iii) vice versa
 - ix. Bone, wood and tendon.
2.
 - a. "Lazy Economics" means the lack of steady growth in the economics. This indeed is nothing but "Lazy Economics", cause even after hours of debates and columns after columns, none of these celebrity journalists or ex FMs have been able to substantiate with facts, the "Huge" impact of demonetization and GST on the Indian Economy.
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e. When there is lack of jobs growth or jobs creation, then that economy is gloomy economy.

2.2

i. lazy

ii. jobs growth

iii. structural reforms of Indian economy.

2.3

i. crux- core

ii. Gloomy- depressed

iii. implementation- execution

3.

25, Ashirwad Apartments

Kohlapur

18th December, 2017

The Head of Department

National Academy of Sports Management, Mumbai

Subject: Enquiry about the Bachelor of Business in Sports Management course

Sir,

My name is Chanchal and I am studying in class 12th. I am planning to study Bachelor of Business Administration in Sports Management at National academy of sports management.

I am a commerce student and have played sports throughout my school life. As sports is my passion, so I want to be connected to this field my whole life. I would like to have some of my queries regarding admission and application answered. Having said that, I would very much appreciate it if you could help me clarify the following queries:

1. What are the prospects of doing this course in India ?
2. Are the admissions rolling?
3. What is the eligibility criteria?
4. Career Guidance for Students
5. Scholarship options.

Please send the prospectus of this course at the given address and I will pay the fees of the prospectus by cheque or online payment.

Thank you very much for your assistance and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Sincerely

Chanchal

OR

39, Lajpat Nagar,
Varanasi
18th December,2017

The manager, Community Hall
Rohini, Sector-3
Delhi

Subject: Enquiry about the community hall for wedding

Sir,

We need spacious community hall for my sister's wedding. The date of sister's wedding is 11th May, 2018. The total number of guest will be three hundred. I assume that your hall is well maintained and air-conditioned. I have some queries regarding the community hall. I would very much appreciate if you could help me clarify the following queries:

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1. What is the rent of the hall for 24 hours?
 2. Is there any parking area or not?
 3. The cost of decoration of your hall on that day?
 4. Will you provide the dance floor?
 5. Will you arrange the food caterers, if yes, what will be the amount incurred per plate?

Thank you very much for your assistance and I look forward to hear from you.

Yours Sincerely

Sarla

4. Hari drove fast. He was already late for his office. He had got up late and it was his first day of work. He had set the alarm but it didn't ring in the morning, so he woke up late. He got ready in a few minutes. He decided to leave for his office as it was already late. He started driving very fast. Suddenly a bike came in front of his car from the wrong side. Hari slammed the breaks of his car at once. A young boy was riding the bike. When Hari's car hit his bike, he fell off. The boy wasn't wearing a helmet also. Hari got down from his car and went to see the young boy. There was a deep cut on his forehead and blood was gushing out of that cut. Hari at once picked up the boy and took him to the nearest hospital. The doctor stitched the cut. Hari took the number of the boy's father and called him. His father immediately reached the hospital. He started shouting at Hari. But the young boy told his father that it was not Hari's fault. It was he who was driving the bike recklessly. His father apologised to Hari and thanked him for not leaving his son on the road. Hari left for his office and vowed to himself that he would get up more early daily. He also decided that he would not drive very fast again in his life.

OR

It was dark, when we got down from the train. The place was totally strange to us. Gopi had promised to be at the station was nowhere in sight. I had come along with my daughter to stay with my brother's family for a few days. My husband could not accompany us because he had some important work to do. I was waiting for my brother, Gopi, to come and receive me at the station. I was frightened at first when I did not find him at the platform after getting down from the train. We waited for him there for a long time. I could not reach his home because I didn't have his full address. I noticed that some miscreant people started

standing near us as we were now alone at the platform. I was worried about me and my daughter's safety. I then gathered my courage and started moving towards the main gate of the station with my luggage. They started following us also. I saw a railway official standing over there. I told him the whole incident. He assured me and warned that miscreant people. He then ushered us to the main office. He offered us some water and told us to relax. He then started making announcements on the microphone regarding us. I heaved a sigh of relief when I saw my brother standing over there after some time. He approached us and apologised that he was so late. He explained that there was a traffic jam on the way because of an accident. We then thanked the officer who helped me. We then went to the brother's home afterwards.

5. a) an b) about c) of d) in e) another

6. a. do is to

b. with the police

c. not to touch

d. ___ and unclaimed

e. we should follow

7.

a. The below are the steps to change direct into reported speech

b. Try to change the reporting verb as per the reported speech

c. Remove the commas and replace them with conjunctions

d. Change the personal pronouns in reported speech

e. Punctuality is a necessary habit in all civilized societies.

8.

i.

a. Michael was the speaker of this statement.

b. Psycho Drive games are the paraphernalia which are being referred to.

c. These games originally belonged to Sebastian Shultz.

d. Michael's father was a geek and he was crazy about new gizmos and so was his son. So both of them were regular visitors as well as customers of the Computer Fair.

ii.

a. madness

b. the news is an offer to act in a film

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- c. Because he was 52
 - d. No

9.

- a. The second game is quite different different from the first one as it involves more radical changes and sudden surprises when compared to the first game. Moreover the second game has to be played with more rigour and sudden reflexes than the first game. The second game was played with more intense after getting some experience from the first game.
- b. The snake was initially treated as a guest. The boy stood quietly and waited with his pitcher for the snake to quench its thirst.
- c. The poem is told from the view point of the survivor because there is no one else alive to tell the story.... it is the Ancient Mariner's story who is the sole survivor of the total crew.
- d. The ghost organized "The Writer's inspirational Bureau" to help the writers like our author and to satisfy it's own happiness as the ghost loves writing stories but dead now.

10. Yes, the family was living a cultured and comfortable life. Their father had been a well known singer and their sister Lucia had also been training as a singer. They had been living a peaceful life until the war between Germany and Italy which took their happiness. In this war, because of the bomb blast their father was perished and because of the smoke of that bomb their sister was suffering from the deadly tuberculosis of the spine. After this war Nicola, Jacopo and their sister Lucia was left alone and know one was there to take care of them. Then Lucia was admitted in hospital at Poleta. Nicola and Jacopo were working too hard to pay the medical fee to their sister. Nicola and Jacopo are the boys who show the real love to their sister and they are ready to do any sort of job for money. But, the narrator was kind enough to help the boys which made his the discover that they were the true "Gentlemen of Verona"

OR

Yes, the writer is trying to make fun of the main characters in the story. Mrs. Packletide wanted to kill a tiger because of her jealousy and a desire to outshine Loona. Loona was a lady of boastful nature. She also grew jealous when she saw Mrs. Packletide's photo in the newspaper.

She refused to attend the lunch party arranged in her honour by Mrs. Packletide. Miss Mebbin was very manipulative, shrewd and materialistic lady. She adopted a protective elder-sister attitude towards money. Moreover, the shooting of an old and weak tiger, who has lost his strength and ferociousness is also very humorous. Its death due to heart failure instead of a bullet arouses laughter.

11.

A. The Story of My Life

Helen Keller's famous autobiography 'The Story of My Life' explores the challenges she faced as a deaf and dumb child and her struggles of communicating with the world. The autobiography was dedicated to Alexander Graham Bell. He had taken a personal interest in Helen's blindness and deafness. Helen Keller also shows her gratitude to her wonderful teacher Miss Sullivan.

Bell advised her parents to contact Perkins Institute for the Blind. The advent of Miss Sullivan was the most important event in her life. Anne Sullivan arrived in Keller's house in March, 1887. She immediately began to teach Helen to communicate by spelling words into her hand. Gradually, she learnt from Miss Sullivan the names of all the familiar objects in her world. The autobiography describes graphically Helen's herculean efforts to get an education. She entered The Cambridge School for Young Ladies before gaining admittance to Radcliffe College in 1890. She graduated from Radcliffe at the age of 24, in 1904. She was the first person to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree. One of Keller's earliest pieces of writing was 'The Frost King' (1891) at the age of eleven.

Helen Keller had a sixth sense – 'a soul sense' which could see, hear, feel all in one. She loved to visit museums and art stores. Music and theatre thrilled her. In the end, the autobiography describes the important persons whom she valued more than anything else in life. They were Bishop Brooks, Henry Drummond, Dr. Everett Hale, Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, Mrs. Hutton, Dean Howell's and of course, Mark Twain. These were the persons and friends who had made the story of her life. They turned her limitations into beautiful privileges and achievements.

OR

It was really 'a slow and often painful process' through which the deaf and blind child Helen Keller acquired the key to 'all language'. Children who can hear can acquire

language without any special effort. The first word that her teacher, Miss Sullivan spelled into her hand was “d-o-l-l”. In the days that followed she learned to spell many words like “pin”, “hat”, “cup” and a few verbs like “sit”, “stand” and “walk”. At that time she even didn’t know that everything has a name. Then she realised that a wordless sensation was called a ‘thought’. She understood that everything had a name and each name gave birth to a new thought. Miss Sullivan had taught her to find beauty in the fragrant woods and in every blade of grass. She linked Helen’s earliest thought with nature. She made her feel that ‘birds and flowers’ and she herself were ‘happy peers’.

Helen Keller’s ideas were vague and her vocabulary was inadequate. But as she learned more and more words her field of inquiry broadened. One morning she asked Miss Sullivan the meaning of the word “love”. Miss Sullivan put her arm gently round her and spelled into her hand, “I love Helen”. “What is love?” she asked. Miss Sullivan drew her closer and pointing to her heart said, “It is here”. Once Helen was finding difficulty in stringing beads of different sizes. She was puzzled. Miss Sullivan touched her forehead and spelled the word with decided emphasis, “Think”. In a flash Helen knew that the word was the name of the process that was going in her head. Miss Sullivan had a wonderful faculty for description. Helen was not interested in the science of numbers. But Helen learnt from life itself. When Miss Sullivan came, everything about her breathed of love and joy and full of meaning.

B. The Diary of a Young Girl

One of the leading themes of Anne’s diary is the loneliness of adolescence. Anne constantly feels of being lonely. She has also developed a thinking that she is constantly being misunderstood, ignored or snubbed by others, particularly the adults. She doesn’t seem to come to terms with the adult world. She has problems with her mother who lacks understanding and fails to give her emotional support. She is not very friendly with her elder sister Margot. She doesn’t like Mrs. Van Daan and Mr. Dussel as she finds them vain and selfish. She adores her father and looks towards him for emotional support. Anne finds her diary ‘Kitty’ which can act as a confidant. She can share her innermost thoughts with ‘Kitty’.

Another very important theme of the diary is the Holocaust or the persecution of the Jews in Germany, Holland and other parts of Europe. Anne displays a rare maturity in understanding the political conditions prevailing in Europe during the World war II.

She writes about the constant air-raids, persecution of the Jews and the fear of the Gestapo. She hopes that the war will end and the Jews will have a new dawn of peace, prosperity and freedom.

The struggle between the “two Annes’ and the inward versus the outward self is another important theme of the diary. Anne struggles with her two selves throughout the diary. She considers herself a German but has lost her citizenship. She considers Holland her second home but find people there turning against the Jews. Being a Jew, she feels alienated and isolated from the mainstream of the outer-world. Only her faith and belief in God consoles her.

OR

Daan is a self-conscious sixteen-year-old boy. Peter is of a quiet and reserved disposition. He doesn't let himself open out to others easily. He generally keeps his thoughts and feelings only to himself. He is obedient, brave and dependable. Her performs his patrol duties in the secret annex quite well. He is kind and tender even to animals.

Peter is rather a shy adolescent. He does like the company of Anne Frank and also enjoys the relationship but peter goes stronger, she changes her opinion about him. He starts appearing quiet, timid, honest and sweet to Anne. In spite of Anne's attraction, Peter Van Daan doesn't share her strong convictions. Neither Mrs. Edith Frank nor Mrs. Van Daan approve of Peter's intimacy with Anne. Even Mr. Frank cautions Anne to restrain her self in this matter.

Peter is the only person in the annexe who can talk freely of sex and sexuality with Anne. Peter kisses her on her left cheek and ear and Anne cherishes that pleasant moment. He is the only confidant of Anne and source of her affection and attention in the annexe.

The young boy dies on May 5, 1945 at a concentration camp at Mauthausen, only three days before the camp was liberated.