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**Unit- Third :(Remedial English Grammar and Vocabulary Building)**

**Parts of Speech-(Verb)**

In this unit, I will focus on the construction of the verb its kinds and various examples of the verb so that we would be able to understand the verb and its functions:

- A verb is a word that tells or asserts something about a person or thing. Verb extracts from *verbum*, a word.
- A verb consists of more than one word; as,

1. The boys were playing.
2. He has learnt his speech.

Kinds of Verb:

1. Transitive Verb
2. Intransitive Verb

Transitive verbs structure:

Subject+ verb+ object

Intransitive Verb:

Subject+ verb

Examples:

1. She spoke the truth.( Transitive)
2. She spoke haughtily. (Intransitive)

## **Chapter-Word Formation-**

In this section, we will come to know about the various forms of word's construction(s) namely compound nouns, compound adjectives and compound verbs.

Concept: Words which are not extracted or compounded or developed from other words are called primary words.

Compound words are those words which are formed by two or more simple words( Oxford Dictionary).

Structure:

Compound Nouns-

Noun+ Noun

Moonlight (Example)

Adjective+ Noun

Sweetheart

Verb+ Noun

Cutpurse

Verb+ Adverb

Lock-up

## **Compound Adjectives:**

Noun+ Adjectives

Ear-piercing

Adjective + Adjective

Whit-black, Green-blue

Compound Verbs:

Adverb+ Verb

Overhear, undo, outdo, overdo

## **Chapter- Common Expressions of foreign languages used in English:**

Foreign Words( Expressions as well as Languages) and their meanings:

Culpa- culprit

Dominus- dominant

Capio- I take

Civis- civil

Unus- one

Pello- I drive

Liber- free

Locus- location, a place, locative word

Vivo- one who lives

Theos- Omnipotent

Chole- choleric or having some bile(s)

As you can see the words and their meaning in which some of the words are from the Latin and some of them are from the Greek origin. Students should prepare such type of words.

### **Chapter- Letter Writing:-**

Find some model of Letters for your preparation:

**Question:** You are XYZ from Uttar Pradesh. You have been worried by the reported Malaria deaths in the state. Write a letter to the Editor on the need for care and alertness to ensure that the disease does not take a greater toll.

Format-

Your own address

XYZ

2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2020

The Editor

The Hindu

New Delhi

Dear Sir/Madam

Through the reputed columns of your newspaper, I want to create some public awareness about the spread of malaria fever in the state.

Due to uncertain of change of weathers and natural calamities, we are facing this problem. Though we have controlled certain fatal disease but malaria fever has caused so many deaths in the state. To some extent we can avoid the spread of this disease. We must remove water from our coolers. We must prevent water to stagnate as it provides a good breeding place for the mosquitoes. The spraying of insecticides should be preferred at intervals.

Side by side we can use mosquito nets and other insect repellents. In case there is any likelihood of fever, we must consult the nearby health center or doctor for our safety. I hope people will care themselves in saving from malaria fever.

Yours sincerely,

XYZ

Q.2. Write a letter to your friend:

Your own address

3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2020

My dear Yogendra,

It is your birthday on Monday, so-many happy returns of the day! I am sending you a watch to celebrate the event, as I know you are keen on your competitive examinations, and hope you will find it useful.

With all best wishes for the best of luck from your friend.

Your loving friend,

Ramesh