## PSBB LLA, BANGALORE

## CLASS 8

# Topic – Article Writing

#### Classwork

An article is a written work published in a print/electronic medium.

It is written with the following objectives-

- 1. It brings out the topics or the matter of concern in the limelight.
- 2. It provides information on the topics.
- 3. It offers suggestions and pieces of advice.
- 4. It influences the readers and urges them to think.
- 5. It discusses various stories, rising-issues, technical developments etc.

The format of an article writing is divided into three parts:

- 1. Part 1- Heading
- 2. Part 2- By line
- 3. Part 3- Content
- Part 1 **Heading** The heading of the article should be engaging and it should not exceed more than 5 to 6 words. Make sure your heading doesn't have any spelling mistakes or grammatical errors. Usage of unnecessary punctuation marks should be avoided.
- Part  $2 \mathbf{By}$  line By line is nothing but the name of the person who is writing the article.
- Part 3 Content The body of the article consists of 2-3 paragraphs.
- \*\*\*para1- It is the introduction paragraph. Precisely explain what the article is talking about. Use quotations and facts to arouse interest among the readers. Keep the language simple.
- \*\*\*para 2&3- Write about the problems, consequences, actions to be taken and a conclusion.

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**Sample** - You are Radhika/Raghav, a strong believer in the theory that one must eat healthy food to live well. However, you are disturbed by the fact that your friends are junk food addicts. What is worse, are the advertisements that make eating junk foods practical, easier and cheaper. Write an article in about 150-

200 words for your school magazine 'Awaaz' pointing out the consequences of unhealthy eating. Give a suitable title to your article.

# Say goodbye to junk food

-Raghav

"The food you eat can be either the safest or the most powerful form of medicine or the slowest form of poison."-Ann Wigmore

In modern day society, eating habits have completely changed from what they were in the past. Eating junk food regularly can cause many negative repercussions including weight gain, obesity, cardiovascular diseases, and diabetes. Even though junk food tastes good, it is not nutritionally balanced and can affect a person's health negatively, primarily by excessive weight gain, illness, and health issues.

Andre F. Smith, author of Encyclopedia of Junk Food and Fast Food, defines junk food as, "those commercial products, including candy, bakery goods, ice cream, salty snacks, and soft drinks, which have little or no nutritional value but do have plenty of calories, salt and fats." People of all ages are shifting towards the junk food market because it makes an easier lifestyle for many people because it is hassle free, easy to make and attractive. Additionally, junk food can skew the academic performance of students in schools by altering memory and learning abilities. So, eating healthy food is necessary for good health. Fibre rich diet helps maintain the functions of the brain and body. So, we must say goodbye to junk food and hello to a healthy diet!

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## Now attempt this...

The Delhi administration has launched a drive against the use of crackers because of the increased levels of air pollution especially during Diwali due to the bursting of crackers, the adverse health impacts and the employment of child labour in the fireworks industry, which leads to many accidents. The objective should be- let Diwali be a glowing festival of the year and not a noisy, polluting and a chaotic event. You are Abhinav/Akanksha, write an article to be published in your school newsletter expressing your views on the need to "Say No to Crackers." Give a suitable title to your article. (word limit 150-200)