



Online Class Supporting Materials

Malappuram Educational District

WORKSHEET

Std 10
ENGLISH

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Break  the
Chain

WEAR MASK



VIRUS

ONLY U CAN BREAK THE CHAIN

KEEP DISTANCE



STAY HOME STAY SAFE

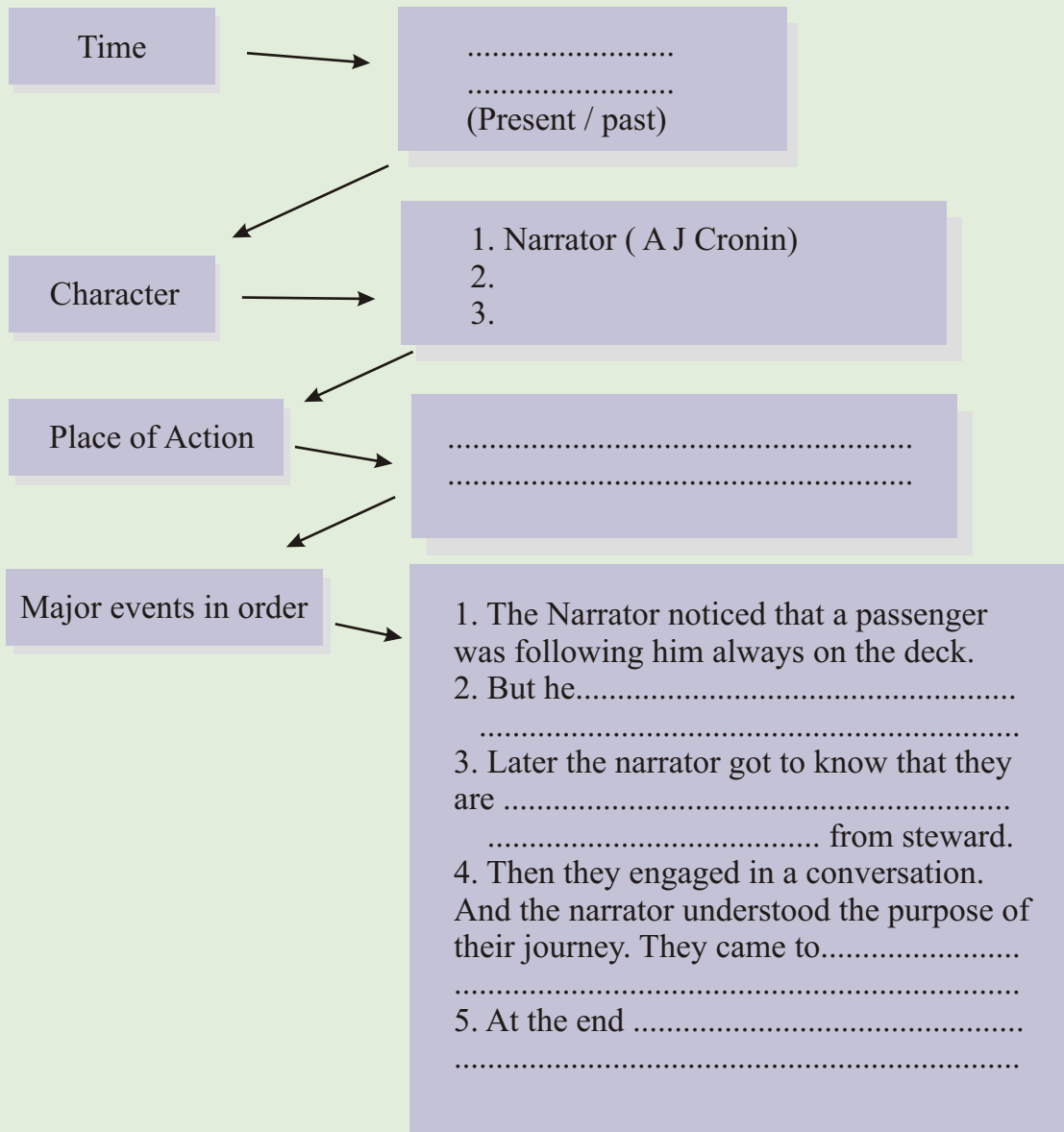


THE BEST INVESTMENT I EVER MADE

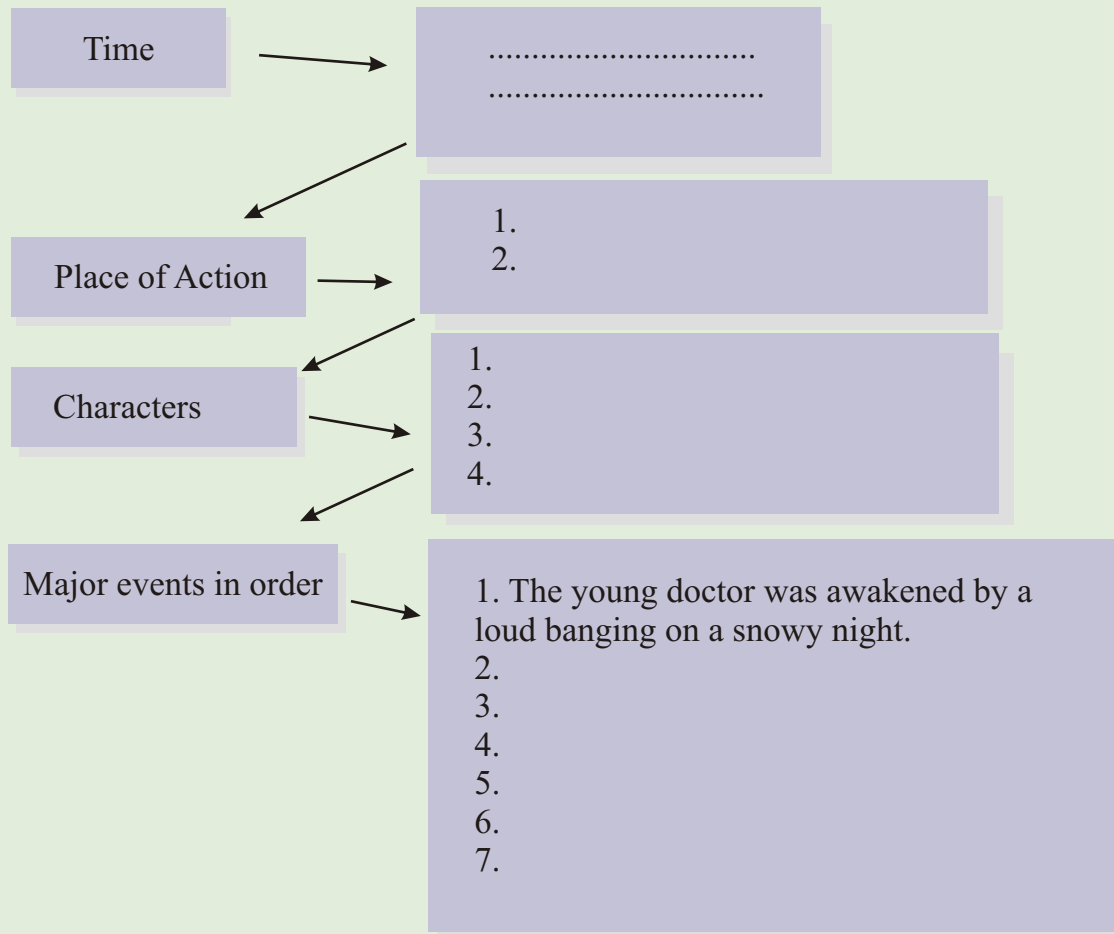
Activity 1

The story 'The Best Investment I Ever Made' develops through three stages. The following graphic organizers give you the major ideas of each stage. But they are incomplete. Revisit the story and complete them

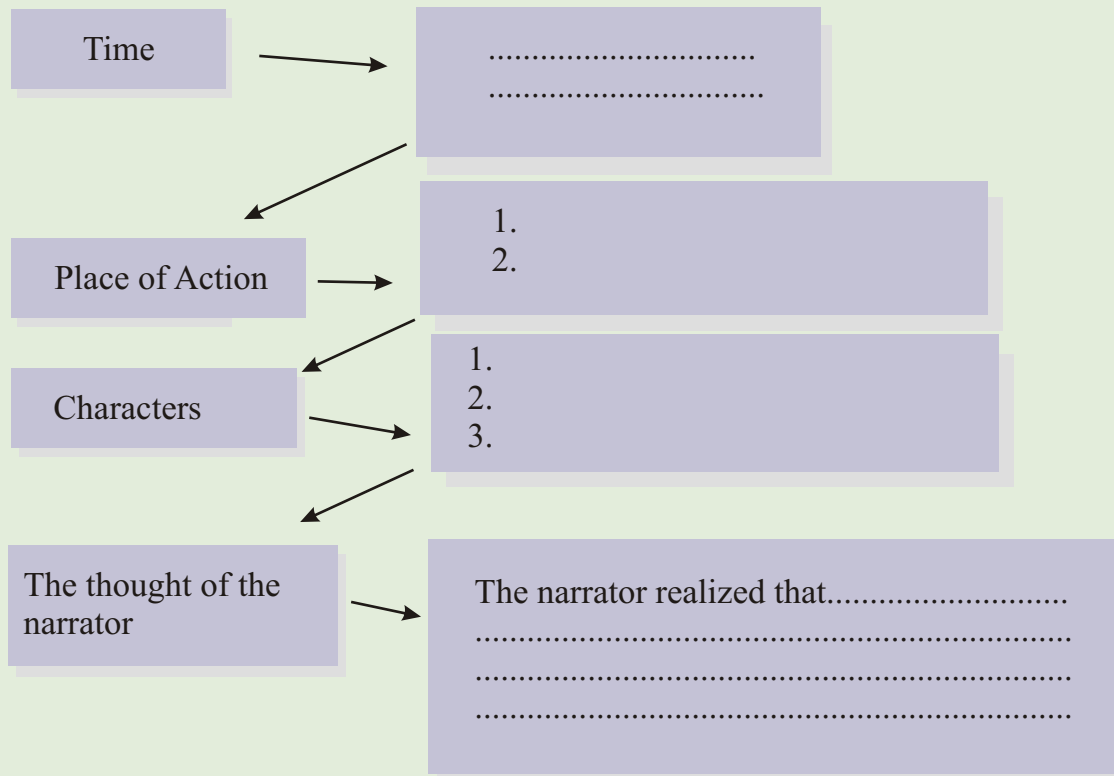
Stage 1 (Paragraph 1-9)



Stage 2 (Paragraph 10-16)



Stage 3 (Paragraph 17)



Activity 2

Read the relevant paragraphs of 'The Best Investment I Ever Made' and answer the following questions.

1. Which word in paragraph 1 gives you the idea that the narrator is travelling in a ship?
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2. Why do you think that the narrator disliked ship board contacts? (para-1)
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3. What did the narrator learn about the man from the steward? (Para-3)
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4. Find out two polite expressions from paragraph four?
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5. What impression do you get about Mr John from the words "he spoke almost breathlessly....."? (Para 4)
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6. Comment on the purpose of Mrs and Mr John's visit to America?(Para-5)
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7. Why do you think that the work of Mr John is a work of redemption?(para7)
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8. How did the doctor try to bring back the life of the young man? Did he he succeed in his attempt?
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9. How did the doctor, policeman and the landlady help the young man?
.....
- 10 What, according to the narrator , was the best investment in his life ?why does he think so?
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Activity 3

Character sketch

We have seen many wonderful characters in the story ' The best investment I ever made'. Mr John is a character who attracts the attention of any reader. He came back to life and leads a noble life after the suicide attempt. Prepare the character sketch of Mr John.

Let's analyse the features of the character sketch.

- ✎ Title(use of catchy words, include the features of the character, short)
- ✎ Name of work and of the character
- ✎ Mention the role of the character in the story
- ✎ State the physical features of the character
- ✎ Main ideas of the story with relate to the character

John: From falsehood to Nobility.

Mr John is the pivotal character in the story, 'The best investment I ever made' written by the illustrious writer A J Cronin.

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Activity 4

Write-up

The story, Thebest investment I ever made, deals with the issue of maladjusted youth. Mr John is a typical example for a youth who tends to fall into the pit of loose society. Prepare a write up on the topic 'the bad elements in the society and the youth' based on the life of John.

Activity 5

Questionnaire

You are really thrilled by the change in the life of Mr John. You want to conduct an interview with John. Prepare 6 questions to interview John

1.?
2.?
3.?
4.?
5.?
6.?

Activity 6

Match The Words With Their Meaning

Tedium	a state of being saved from the power of evil
Redemption	showing a tendency to commit crimes
Muffle	in a bad condition
Gruffly	boredom
Derelict	asking for things many times in a way that is annoying
Delinquent	to make a sound quieter or less clear
Importunate	deep, rough and unfriendly

LANGUAGE ELEMENTS

Activity 7

Edit the following

There were (a) in his voice and manner, indeed in his whole personality, a genuine enthusiasm who (b) was disarming. I find (c) myself liking him instinctive (d).

- (a) (b)
(c) (d)

Activity 7

Report the following dialogue

AJ Cronin : Is it a holiday trip?
Mr.John S : No. It's an inspection of many of the summer recreational camps.

You may begin like this

AJ Cronin asked

Mr.John S replied



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