

Sub: Social Studies

Grade: VI

Read the Chapter Introduction to Community and Society and do the activity given below.

Lesson 1

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY AND SOCIETY

Lakpa is a student of grade six. He is a confident speaker and can speak in front of a big crowd easily. Today, in the morning assembly, he is going to speak on the topic "Introduction to Community and Society". Do you want to know what he said? Let's listen to him.

"Respected principal, teachers and my dear friends, today I, Lakpa Sherpa, representing class six, am going to deliver a short speech on the topic "Introduction to Community and Society".

First of all, I would like to define what a community is. All of us live in a family. When many families live together in a place, it is called a neighbourhood. Similarly, many neighbourhoods living together, helping and co-operating with each other forms a community.

Human beings are social animals. So they cannot live alone. They need help from each other to satisfy their needs. We can fulfill all our needs only in a community. Our life becomes easier and comfortable when we live in a community. Let me tell you how a community satisfies our needs.

People of different occupations live in a community. There are farmers, doctors, tailors, teachers, cobblers, engineers and so on. Doctors treat us when we are sick. Farmers grow crops and provide food for us. Tailors make our uniforms. Cobblers makes shoes for us whereas teachers give us education. It is not possible to do all these things by ourselves. We feel more secure in a community than living alone. So, the community is very important in our daily life. Culture, art, music, literature, etc develop in a community. Language, thought and behaviors of the children are greatly influenced by the community and its environment. So a community plays a vital role in shaping the mind of a child.



A community is also necessary to protect our interests and rights. The government might not pay much attention to an individual's demands. But when the same demands are made by a community the government has to take action towards fulfilling those demands. Thus, we can preserve our rights and interests through a community.

Now, I would like to talk about the society.

Key Term

Accountability	: responsibility
Assembly	: a regular gathering of teachers and pupil at the start or end of the day
Goal	: target, main objective
Influence	: the capacity of having an effect on a person's character and behaviour
Secure	: feeling of safety and protection
Vital	: absolutely necessary

We and Our Society



1. What is community? What do you learn from your community?
2. What is a community? Why life becomes easier and comfortable in a community?
3. What is society? What are the advantages do people get from the society?
4. Write the difference between society and community. Any four points.
5. Find out the major problems of your community and also write their solutions.
6. Write word meaning. a. Vital b. Goal c. Secure d. Influence