

# CHAPTER 17

## Nandita in Mumbai

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- 1- Select the best option.
- (i) We know that Nandita's Mama's house had electricity because
- (a) it had a lighted bulb
- (b) it had a fan which was running
- (c) his son was watching a TV programme
- (d) None of the above
- (ii) When Nandita travels by bus to the hospital she knows
- (a) where to get down from the bus
- (b) how much to pay for the ticket
- (c) how to stand in line
- (d) All of these
- (iii) When Nandita looked down from the window in Babloo's house she could not find out
- (a) her Mama's house
- (b) the street in which her Mama lived
- (c) any house
- (d) None of these
- (iv) Nandita's Mama had received the notice for leaving their houses ..... in the last ten years.
- (a) twice  (b) three times
- (c) many times  (d) never
- (v) Nandita's Mami's work is ..... in seven houses.
- (a) washing utensils  (b) cleaning the house
- (c) Both (a) and (b)  (d) Neither (a) nor (b)
- (vi) Why did Nandita come Mumbai from the village?
- (a) To visit the city
- (b) To meet her mama
- (c) To get her mother treated in a hospital
- (d) In search of some employment

- (vii) Why are there no fights for water in the village?
- (a) Because people are more understanding there.
- (b) Because they fill water in orderly manner.
- (c) Because the village pond has ample water for everyone
- (d) Because they do not need much water.
- (viii) Why did Nandita feel like vomiting?
- (a) As she had to diarrhoea.
- (b) Due to the dirty street.
- (c) Due to the dirty and foul smelling toilet.
- (d) As she was to travelling in a crowded bus.
- (ix) What was mama worried of
- (a) his illness.
- (b) the rising bus fare.
- (c) his sister's illness.
- (d) notice to move away

2- Write 'T' for True and 'F' for False statements.

- (i) Nandita travelled every day to see her mother in hospital by the local train.
- (ii) Mama's family in Mumbai had seven persons.
- (iii) Nandita came to Mumbai for her mother's treatment in a hospital.
- (iv) Nandita's house in the village has separate rooms for living, bathing and cooking.
- (v) In the village, they always fill water form the river, which is far away.

3- Match the pictures in Column A with their descriptions in Column B by drawing lines.

**Column A**

(i)



**Column B**

(a) Street in which Mama lived

(ii)



(b) Inside Mama's house

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(c) Inside Babloo's house

(iv)



(d) Filling water at the public tap

(v)



(e) View of Mama's street from Babloo's house

(vi)



(f) Nandita dreaming of visiting Chowpatti

4- Fill in the blanks.

Mama's street, Nandita's Mami, in the hospital, Nandita.s Mama, Chowpatti, bus, Chowpatti, worried, month, wife, three, mother's

- (i) The toilet in ..... is very dirty because everyone in the street uses it and sometimes there is no water.
- (ii) ..... took a long time to clean Babloo's house because it was a big house with many rooms.
- (iii) The children near where Nandita stays say that big film stars also came to .....
- (iv) ..... was worried because people asked them to move out from their houses as a big hotel was to be built there.
- (v) Nandita became worried and wondered how would she be able to visit her mother every day .....
- (vi) Nandita came to Mumbai a ..... ago for her ..... treatment.
- (vii) Nandita's mama had one room in which he lived with his ..... and ..... children.
- (viii) Nandita used to go to the hospital by a ..... to see her mother.
- (ix) Nandita could not ask her mama to take her to ..... as he was .....

### Very Short Answer Type Questions

5- Answers in one word or one sentence.

- (i) Why did Nandita close the tap in Babloo's house?  
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- (ii) Why did Nandita catch hold of her mother's hand when they reached Mumbai station?  
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- (iii) Why is Nandita's family not able to fill water for the day if they are just a little late?  
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- (iv) What work does Nandita's Mami do?  
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- (v) What facilities are there in the lift, which takes people up and down in the building in which Babloo lives?  
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### Short Answer Type Questions

6- Answer in 30-40 words.

(i) Why does Nandita's Mama have to move out from his house?

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(ii) What difficulties will Nandita's Mama and Mami face if they have to live in another corner of the city?

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(iii) What things was Nandita afraid to do when she first came to Mumbai?

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### Long Answer Type Questions

7- Answer in 80-100 words.

Describe briefly Nandita's experience of filling water at the public tap in Mumbai. How is this different from getting water for daily needs in the village?

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### Think, Find and Write

8- What kind of house do you live in? Put a (✓) mark against the right answer.

(a) Nandita's village house

- (b) Mama's one room house
- (c) Big house where Mani worked
- (d) Babloo's house
- (e) Some other type

9- Why is the building in which Babloo lives called a high-rise building?

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10- What are the differences between the house of Babloo and the house of Nandita's Mama? What are the probable reasons for this?

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11- Nandita's Mama was living in an area called a 'slum'. What is a slum? Explain briefly.

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12- Compare the house where Nandita lived in her village with that of her mama's house in Mumbai.

Nandita's house in her village	Her Mama's house in Mumbai

13- Compare and complete the following table on the basis of:

Point of difference	House in slum	House in high rise buildings
Number of rooms		
Water supply		
Electricity		
Toilet		
Any other		

14- Compare a village and a city on the basis of the points given below.

Comparison Points	 <b>Village</b>	 <b>City</b>
Size		
Population		
Area		
Streets		
Traffic		
Services		
Houses		
Jobs		

15- Answer the following questions.

(i) Name the metropolitan cities of India.

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(ii) Which is the historic railway station in Mumbai?

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(iii) What was the old name of Chatrapati Shivaji Terminus?

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16- Draw a picture of house of your choice and colour it.

