



# INDIAN SCHOOL DARSAIT

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



WORKSHEET- 3	Topic :Unit-1 A Most Important Person	Name : _____
CLASS : VIII	Division :	Roll Number : __

<b>1</b>	<b>Reference to context</b>	
A	<i>'I wonder if you would be kind enough to come and visit the Shelley Club.'</i>	
	<p>i) Who said this and to whom?</p> <p>Ans Professor Tilden said this to Miss Lucy Quinn.</p> <p>ii) Who was <i>Shelley</i>?</p> <p>Ans Percy Bysshe Shelley was one of the major English Romantic poets.</p> <p>iii) What did the members of the Shelley Club do?</p> <p>Ans The members of the Shelley Club comprised some gifted young people who were trying to write verse.</p>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Short Answer Questions</b>	
1.	How could Miss Lucy have avoided paying the fine for parking?	
	Miss Lucy could have used her influence as the titular head of the local society or even spoken to the Judge who was a family friend to avoid paying the fine. She could have also made a call to Mr Henderson, the family lawyer to get her out of the situation.	
2.	We use 'the' before an adjective in the superlative degree, but this chapter is called 'A Most Important Person'. Why do you think so? How is Chester 'a most important person' for Miss Lucy?	
	Miss Lucy forms a special bond of friendship with Chester and he makes her realize that she need not be alone or lonely. He changes her perspective towards life. He is not the most important person in her life but he is one of the most important.	
3.	In the end, why does Miss Lucy believe that Christmas is the most important time?	
	In the end, Miss Lucy believes that Christmas is the most important time because it brings old and new friends together.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Long Answer Questions:</b>	
1	Unlike Miss Lucy, Chester is not shy at all. Give evidence from the story to support this statement	
	Chester easily makes conversation with Miss Lucy when she rescues him, accompanies her to her house, easily accepts invitation to tea, offers to bring his sister to meet her the next day and actually does. Miss Lucy on the other hand keeps to herself and thinks twice about visiting friends. All this proves that unlike Miss Lucy, Chester is not shy at all.	

2	Whom did Miss Quinn decide to have Christmas dinner with? What did they talk about?	
	Miss Quinn did not want to have Christmas dinner alone. So she asked Arthur to drive her to Professor Tilden. Professor Tilden, who was sitting alone over his book, was delighted to have dinner with Miss Quinn. All through the dinner he and Miss Quinn talked about poetry. Later he asked her if she would be kind enough to come and visit the Shelley Club. He told her that there were some gifted young people trying to write verse. He said that since she was so gracious and kind, she might be a great help to them. Miss Lucy Quinn agreed. She had got out of touch with the university since her father had died, and this seemed a very good idea to her.	
	<b><u>Portfolio (Creativity) Assignment</u></b>	
	These questions require long answers. Answers can be developed around the points that are given here below.	
1	How would you describe Chester as a person? candid, friendly, outgoing, easy to talk to, energetic, extrovert, caring	
2	What was wrong with the way Miss Lucy had been brought up? Miss Lucy had been brought up on the fixed idea that there was only a small group of people in the city with whom they might associate. One needs to reach out and interact with people from all walks of life.	
3	Do you think that this story teaches us something important about friendship? Share your thoughts Yes. It teaches us that age or class does not have anything to do with friendship. Friendship knows no barriers. Meeting new people and having friends help people live a fuller life; makes people happier. We may doubt ourselves, wonder if people like us, but at the end of the day, we just have to make an effort and be outgoing.	
	<b><u>Informal Letter (Portfolio) (Assignment)</u></b>	
1.	<b>Write a letter to a friend, telling her/him about your meeting with Miss Lucy what you think of her and about your friendship with her. (Refer MCB- Pg-31)</b>	
2.	<b>You are Parth/Puja. Your examinations are over and want to invite your friend during the summer holidays. Write a letter to your friend inviting her/him and telling her how you would entertain her/him.</b>	
3.	<b>You are Avasa/Avinash a student of Salvan Public School, Simla. You have just returned from a trekking expedition organized by your school. Write a letter to your father, giving him an account of your experiences.</b>	

