



Lesson: 2.

Family Values

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Summary

The lesson is about family and the narrator is a member of a family which has a grandfather, a grandmother a father, mother, sister, brother and herself. She emphasise the importance and influence of family over its members. Each and every family has its own standards of behaviour which are transmitted to its members from childhood and these standards or values shapes the personality of all individuals. These values include cooperation, tolerance, self-sacrifice, honesty, love and affection. Discipline is also one such value which is learned by showing respect and regard for elders and by trying not to offend them. Learning about discipline is very important because it gives us strength to stand for truth. An example is cited in this story where the narrator broke her mother's flower pot but she decided to remain silent because she was afraid of her parents. However when her mother got angry she couldn't remain silent and she spoke the truth. Her mother instead of scolding her, praise her because she had the courage to speak out the truth. In the lesson all the elder members of the family are trying to impart values to the young ones through different means and medium for example grandfather explains about honesty and what it takes to be truthful. At the same time he also explained how pride and disobedience brought about the Fall of man and Fall of Satan. Farther explained the importance of modesty and humility and why it is important to show same behaviour to everyone irrespective of their occupation. Grandmother in her own means induced these values through stories of poverty, humility, modesty and strength of Khamba and Khamnu in the Manipuri legend.

Theme of the lesson:-

There are certain standard of behaviour which we learn by being a member of a family and these standards of behavior are the family values which helps to shape a person to what he/she is.

I. WORD MEANINGS:-

1. Values - standards of behavior
2. Adoption - take into relationship as one's own child.
3. Interact - (of two people or things) do things which have an effect on each other.

- 4. Influence - the power or ability to affect someone's beliefs or action.
 - 5. Moulds - influence the development of something.
 - 6. Socialise - make someone behave in a socially acceptable way.
 - 7. Cherishes - keep a thought or memory in your mind.
 - 8. Cooperation - work together towards the same end.
 - 9. Tolerance - the ability to accept things you do not like or agree with.
 - 10. Decent - having good moral standards.
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