

LESSON 28

Congratulating

(i) For an examination result

- Teacher : Children, you all must be very eager to know your result.
- Students : Yes ma'am.
- Teacher : You have all done extremely well and I'm proud of this class.
- Students : Thank you ma'am.
- Teacher : The high point in this year's result has been Ankita and Rina's performance. You'll be glad to know that Ankita has stood first in the class. She is also the school topper. Well done Ankita. Congratulations!
- Ankita : Thank you ma'am. You were so encouraging and supportive.
- Teacher : Rina, you have stood second in the class. You have been declared the best All Rounder. Congratulations to you too. May you both continue to do well.
- Students : (to Ankita and Rina) Congratulations! We want a treat!

Word	Meaning
1. eager	keen, excited
2. high point	best part
3. encouraging	giving support, confidence
4. supportive	helpful

(ii) For a promotion

- Ravi : Good morning Sir. Heartiest congratulations!
- Manager : Thank you, Ravi.
- Ravi : Sir, it is a well deserved promotion.
- Manager : Thank you once again.

(iii) For getting admission

- Rina : Rajini you look very excited?
- Rajini : Yes, I've cleared the Medical Entrance Test.
- Rina : That's great. Congratulations!
- Rajini : Thanks.
- Rina : I hope you get admission in a college of your choice.
- Rajini : I hope so too.

(iv) For a new car

Ravi : Rakesh, when did you get this new car?
Rakesh : Just a few minutes ago. I'm driving straight from the showroom.
Ravi : Congratulations! The colour is very pleasing.
Rakesh : Thanks Ravi.

(v) For a new house

Rajesh : Hello Anil, how are you?
Anil : Very well thank you.
Rajesh : I was taking a walk through the colony and I noticed that your house is almost ready.
Anil : Yes, it is almost complete, just a few minor loose ends.
Rajesh : It looks grand. You've put your heart and soul into making it. When are you moving in?
Anil : We will move in on Saturday. In fact, that's why I'm here. I've come to invite you to the house warming party on Sunday at 12:30 p.m.
Rajesh : Thanks. We'll be there and congratulations!

Word/Phrase

1. loose ends
2. heart and soul
3. house warming party

Meaning

- work which is incomplete
with full enthusiasm
a party thrown when one is moving into a new house

(vi) For getting an award

Aunt : Sita, I hear that you've won an award in an All India competition.
Sita : Yes aunty.
Aunt : What was the award for?
Sita : I participated in the All India Essay Writing Competition sponsored by the Tata Group of Industries. I got the second prize.
Aunt : That's really great. Congratulations!
Sita : Thank you aunty.
Aunt : What was the topic?
Sita : We had to write on – 'Building a new India'
Aunt : That sounds very challenging.
Sita : Did you know that half a million students, from a thousand schools participated?
Aunt : Really!
Sita : And they were from thirty one cities across the country.
Aunt : My goodness! That's a very wide coverage.

- Sita : Sixteen essays were short listed and the President of India felicitated us at a special function at the Rashtrapati Bhawan.
- Aunt : Yes, I do remember seeing a photograph in the newspaper of some children with the President. Well done Sita. We're really very proud of you.

Word

1. challenging
2. coverage
3. felicitated

Meaning

- requiring full use of your abilities or resources
- the extent to which something is covered
- congratulated