CLASS NOTES-ANSWERS

A) Tick the correct option.

- 1) Enrico's mother conducted him to the new class.
- 2) The school resumed after a three-month vacation.
- 3) Enrico spent the summer vacation in the countryside which had woods and mountains.
- 4) Derossi was Enrico's <u>classmate</u>.

B) Answer these questions.

- 1) Why was Enrico not too willing to come to school?

 Answer: Enrico had just returned after a three-month-long summer vacation in the country. He was still missing the country with its woods and mountains and thus unwilling to come to school.
- 2) What kind of crowd was there at the school that day and why?

 Answer: It was the first day of school after the summer vacation, and the anteroom and the stairs were buzzing with ladies, gentlemen, workmen, officials, nuns, servants, all leading boys with one hand to their new classes and holding the promotion books in the other.
- 3) Describe the situation on the ground floor?

 Answer: There were little children of the first and lowest section on the ground floor, where the divisions had already been made. They did not want to enter the classrooms and resisted like donkeys. They had to be dragged in by force. Some escaped from the benches; others, when they saw their parents depart, began to cry, and the

parents had to go back and comfort and scold them, and the teachers were in despair.

4) Why did Enrico miss his second-grade teacher?

Answer: Enrico missed his second-grade teacher for his cheerful nature. His mere appearance was quite comforting with tumbled red hair and an ever-smiling face. He was so small that he seemed to be one of the students of the class.

5) Give a detailed description of Master Perboni's appearance and behaviour?

Answer: Master Perboni was tall. He didn't have a beard; his hair was grey and long; and he had a perpendicular wrinkle on his forehead. His voice was deep, and he looked at his students fixedly, one after the other, as though he were reading their inmost thoughts, and he never smiled.

Vocabulary.

A) Match the words to their meanings.

1)	Swarming	forming a large crowd
2)	Buzzing	making a lot of noise due to a crowd
3)	Content	happy and satisfied
4)	Nun	member of a group of religious women that
		live together in a convent
5)	Merry	cheerful
6)	Beadle	a ceremonial officer of a church, college or
		similar institution

- B) Fill in the blanks with the correct words.
 - 1) The air in the <u>country</u> is far healthier than it is in the cities.
 - 2) We pushed our way through the throng.
 - 3) The farmers toil in the sun and rain to feed the nation.
 - 4) The patients had to wait in the <u>anteroom</u> before they could enter the doctor's chamber.
 - 5) For his bravery the soldier was <u>promoted</u> to the rank of captain.

Grammar.

A) Find the common and proper nouns.

Common nouns: day, school, breeze, friend, side, teacher, principal, knowledge, friends, lunch, recess, visit

Proper nouns: Kalam, Ranvijay, Hindi, French, Delhi.

- B) Write CN for concrete nouns and AN for abstract nouns.
 - 1) All Enrico could feel was loneliness AN
 - 2) The <u>bookshop</u> is closed today. CN
 - 3) I ride my <u>bicycle</u> to work every day. CN
 - 4) Indian hospitality is famous all over the world. AN
 - 5) I was impressed with his <u>honesty</u> AN
- C) Pick the correct collective nouns to complete the sentences.
 - 1) The <u>team</u> played well but lost the game.
 - 2) There was a <u>swarm</u> of bees chasing the bear.
 - 3) The leader of the gang was caught by the police.
 - 4) INS Vikrant escorted the <u>fleet</u> of merchant ships.
 - 5) The shark was chasing a shoal of tuna. Rewrite each sentence with

adjectives in the correct order.

- D) Pick the correct collective nouns to complete the sentences.
 - 1) The cute, little baby in the crib smiled at me.
 - The shiny, red racing car turned heads as it moved through the traffic.
 - 3) He fed eucalyptus leaves to the cute, tiny, brown koala bear.
 - 4) I was speechless when I entered a gigantic, brand new, white Boeing 747 for the first time.
 - 5) The scary, noisy, huge, metallic robotic bodyguard accompanying the Sultan was a technological marvel.

Punctuation

I have always depended on my Swiss watch and German camera for all my assignments. Swiss accuracy and German precision and efficiency are famous the world over. I was the official photographer for the 1988 Seol Olympics from Doordarshan, and could not afford to miss a single photo opportunity. Being in the right place at the right time is the key to success for a sports photographer.

Pronunciation

- 1) behind \rightarrow 2 be/hind
- 2) satisfying \rightarrow 4 sat/is/fy/ing
- 3) beautiful \rightarrow 3 beau/ti/ful
- 4) ancestor \rightarrow 3 an/ces/tor
- 5) ordinary \rightarrow 4 or/di/na/ry

Pronunciation

- 1) The conversation is taking place at Wellingdon Sports Centre.
- 2) The visitor to this place is Miss Rao.
- 3) The activities offered are yoga, aerobics, swimming, Zumba, salsa, Kathak and Bharatanatyam.
- 4) Swimming classes are held on Saturdays and Sundays.

Writing

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Dear Fabian

The summer vacation at your place went like a breeze. I reached home yesterday and was back to school today. The streets outside the school were buzzing with the activity of students and their parents. It took a while before we settled into our new classes. My new class teacher is tall and is very stern in his way. I miss my second-grade teacher who was like one of us; so cheerful and friendly. The periods went on and all I could think about were the woods and the mountains of Calabria, and how we hiked together through them. I couldn't wait for the bell to ring so that I could return home. This was my first day in my new class. Tell me about yours. Please give my regards to Uncle David and Aunt Mary.

Best wishes

Enrico.