

BANGLADESH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, (ES), RIYADH

Notes & Worksheet on English Literature

Chess – More Than a Game

Name: _____ Grade: 7 _____ Date: _____

Answer the short questions.

1. What is personal essay?

Ans: A personal essay is a rather brief discussion that uses facts to tell about a specific topic. In it the writer uses the first person pronouns like I, my, our etc.

2. What does chess teach a person?

Ans: Chess teaches a person to slow down and think about the consequences of his or her actions. Studies show that chess can improve concentration, critical thinking, and academic achievement.

3. Why is chess growing popular among young players?

Ans: Chess is growing popular among young players because in New York City, more than twenty thousand students in seventy six schools learn chess each year. Teachers report that attendance is higher on “chess day.”

Answer the long questions.

1. What skills does chess teach a person?

Ans: Chess teaches a person different skills. The beginners learn to use problem-solving strategies and deductive reasoning. Of course, self-discipline is important. There is no talking during the game, and rules of chess make sure that players treat each other with respect. Finally, if a player has the skills, age doesn't matter. It was found out that a more talented sixth grader can crush a high school player.

2. How can one learn to play chess?

Ans: The way one can learn to play chess and to get better at the game is by reading books. Books about chess have helped one begin to learn strategies players need to be successful. Another way to learn to play chess is by improving concentration and critical thinking. Moreover one has to slow down and think about the consequences of his or her actions.

Match the columns below.

S.N	Column A		Column B
1	Chess is so much more		crush a high school player.
2	A more talented sixth grader can		after-school chess club.
3	In New York city twenty thousand		their skills at these events.
4	Participating schools have		students learn chess every year.
5	Hundreds of students get to test		than an ancient game of strategy.

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate words from the text.

1. Studies show that chess can improve _____.
2. _____ a video game, no two chess games are ever the same.
3. Chess can teach us critical thinking and academic _____.
4. In chess, others can have a different _____.
5. Every four years USCF holds a _____ competition for all three grade levels.

New vocab:

strategy – a plan that is intended to achieve a particular purpose

consequences – a result of sth that has happened

concentration – the ability to direct your effort and attention on one thing.

critical – expressing disapproval of sth or sb.

academic – connected with education

achievement – a thing that sb has done successfully

suburb – an area where people live that is outside the centre of a city

rural – connected with or like the countryside

confidence - the feeling that you can trust or believe in sth or sb

pride – a feeling of pleasure or satisfaction that you get when you have done sth well

deductive – using knowledge about things that are generally true
