



# Some Major Skills & Focus Areas

## In Gem's English Reader 1-5

“**Creativity** refers to new ways of seeing or doing things and includes generating new ideas, flexibility, originality, and building on others' ideas.”

– 21st Century Skills Handbook by CBSE



### Creativity

- BK 1 pp. 22 (K), 60 (L), 65 (I), 85 (K)
- BK 3 pp. 21 (E), 40 (F), 62 (E), 100 (D)
- BK 4 pp. 11 (K), 58 (G), 89 (K), 98 (L)
- BK 5 pp. 33 (H), 40 (K), 63 (H & I), 90 (K), 97 (K)



### Collaboration

- BK 2 pp. 41 (I), 65 (J), 74 (I), 80 (J)
- BK 3 pp. 37 (J), 45 (H), 52 (J), 69 (J)
- BK 4 pp. 20 (J), 46 (K), 89 (J), 98 (K)
- BK 5 pp. 15 (J), 70 (L), 90 (J), 97 (J)

“**Collaboration** is the ability to effectively work together with others.”

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H. Work in pairs. Look at the picture and take turns to frame sentences about it using a, an and the.

Mother is reading a newspaper. She is sitting under an umbrella.



### Critical Thinking

- BK 1 pp. 29 (K), 59 (F & I), 84 (E)
- BK 2 pp. 18 (I), 63-64 (D), 83 (D)
- BK 3 pp. 26 (E), 57 (E), 89 (K)
- BK 4 pp. 10 (E), 55 (J), 71 (E)
- BK 5 pp. 13 (D), 27 (E), 38 (F), 77 (E), 99 (C)

“**Communication** refers to the ability to express one's opinions, desires, needs, apprehensions etc., appropriately—verbally and non-verbally.”

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### Communication

- BK 1 pp. 8 (F), 34 (J), 60 (J), 72 (J), 85 (I)
- BK 3 pp. 11 (I), 46 (K), 58 (I), 75 (J), 89 (J)
- BK 5 pp. 11 (J), 30 (L), 39-40 (I), 80 (L), 106 (J)

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### Writing

picture composition

D. Look at the picture. Tick (✓) the sentences that are true. Write them in your notebook.



- It is a sunny day.
- The children are having lunch.
- One girl has a paper boat.
- They are all very sad.
- It is raining.
- The children are playing in the rain.
- One girl is skipping a rope.
- They are all very happy.

**Critical Thinking** is the ability to think clearly and rationally and understand the logical connections between ideas; to analyze facts and come to a conclusion.

Verbs in the **present continuous tense** are used to show an action that is going on in present moment.

We are packing our bags for the adventure.

Tulika is writing a story about her trek in the Himalayas.

Note that the present continuous tense is formed using *is/am/are + verb + ing*.

H. Use the verbs given in the box and make sentences in the present continuous tense about the people at the book fair.

read say ask wait explain look listen stand



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### Conceptual Understanding

refers to an integrated and functional grasp of ideas.



### Problem-solving

- BK 1 pp. 39 (C), 45 (C), 64 (E)
- BK 2 pp. 8 (D), 21 (G), 59 (G), 79 (G)
- BK 3 pp. 36 (F), 44 (E), 62 (D), 82 (D), 88 (H)
- BK 4 pp. 38 (E), 54 (F), 73 (I), 82 (C)

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