

18.11.24

Tender Heart High School

Class: X

Chapter - 4 The Supreme Court

Subject: History and Civics

[Ms. Rameet]

Good Morning Students.

Today we will study the Topic of Supreme Court of India which is there in chapter 4 of your Text Book Titled Total History and Civics. Students kindly open page number 200 of your text book and also keep ready your note-book.

Children do you know what a Court is?

A Court is a place where legal cases are heard.

It is a place where evidence related to disagreements, crimes, convictions etc. are presented before a judge or a jury as in the United States of America so that decisions can be made according to the law.

The Supreme Court of India came into existence on 26 January 1950 which is alongside adoption of Constitution and declaration of India as a Republic. It is located at Tilak Marg, New Delhi. It is the highest Court of India. The Supreme Court is at the apex of the Indian Judicial System below which are the High Courts in each state or group of States. Below the High Courts are the Subordinate Courts.

Composition:-

Now children we will study the Composition of the Supreme Court of India. Composition means what it consists of. In the beginning there were seven Judges in the Supreme Court of India. Today it consists of a Chief Justice of India and a sanctioned strength of 30 other Judges.

Chapter - 4 The Supreme CourtSubject: History and Civics

[Ms. Rameet]

The Parliament of India has the power to increase the number of Judges of the Supreme Court of India if so required.

Students the First Chief Justice of India was Justice Harilal J. Kania and Sharad Arvind Bobde is the present Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India so appointed on 18 November 2019. Students this is for your information.

Qualification of Judges :-

Children now we will study the Qualifications required to be appointed as a Judge of the Supreme Court of India. A person shall be considered qualified for appointment as a Judge of the Supreme Court if he/she:

1. Is a citizen of India.
2. has been for at least five years a Judge of a High Court or of two or more such Courts in Succession; or
3. has been for at least ten years an advocate of a High Court or of two or more such Courts in Succession; or
4. Is in the opinion of the President, a distinguished Jurist.

Children a distinguished Jurist is a person who is a highly qualified law professor or someone who has expert knowledge of Law. Before we go little further, children its Question time. Please write the answers in your note-book.

Q1. Who determines the strength of the Supreme Court?

Q2. State three qualifications required to be a Judge of the Supreme Court of India?

Chapter 4: The Supreme Court

Subject: History and civics

[Ms. Rameet]

Q3. Where is the seat of the Supreme Court of India?

Q4. By whom are the Judges of the Supreme Court appointed and how?

Q5. Who is the protector and final interpreter of the Constitution?

Appointment:

Every Judge of the Supreme Court is appointed by the President of India in Consultation with the Judges of Supreme Court and of High Courts. The seniority principle is followed in the appointment of the Chief Justice of India by the President.

Appointment of Ad Hoc Judges:

The Chief Justice appoints ad hoc Judge as and when necessary. An ad hoc Judge is appointed for a specific work only.

Term of office:

A Judge of the Supreme Court shall hold office until he attains the age of 65 years. A Judge may resign his office, by submitting his resignation to the President.

Impeachment:

Supreme Court Judge may be required to remove from office this is termed as Impeachment.

The dictionary meaning of the word is to charge a public official with a crime done while in office.

A Judge can be removed or Impeached when he misbehaves or goes against the laws. Such an order should be approved by both House of Parliament with majority vote.

Chapter 4: The Supreme Court

Subject: History and Civics

[Ms. Rameet]

you all are required to do the following

Questions given below in your history note-book.

- Q1. What is the term of office of a Judge of the Supreme Court of India?
- Q2. On what grounds can a judge of the Supreme Court of India be removed from office?
- Q3. By whom are the Judges of the Supreme Court of India appointed?
- Q4. With reference to the judiciary, what is meant by the term 'Impeachment'?

X — X — X

[Last Page]