

**ENGLISH LITERATURE CHAPTER 2 NOTES TO BE
WRITTEN IN LITERATURE COPY.**

1. DRAW A DRAWING OF DR. APJ ABDUL KALAM.

2. WRITE WORD MEANINGS.

barge : to enter a place interrupting others *orthodox* : holding conventional views; conservative

embedded : fixed *fascinate* : attract *enamoured* : liking something a lot

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episode : incident *inspiration* : motivation *pious* : holy, full of virtues *priest* : one who
presides over the performance of religious ceremonies *conservative* : one who tries to maintain

old rituals and customs

English -5



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feast : a special meal *quest* : search *emergency* : urgent situation *declare* : to announce

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Comprehension

A. Read the following sentences and answer the questions.

1. “ Ammi! I’m going to the Shiva temple in the morning.”

a. Who said these words and to whom ?

Ans. Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam said to his mother.

b. What did the speaker propose to do after this ?

Ans. He proposed to offer Namaz after that.

c. What reply did he get ?

Ans. His mother said that he could go to the temple first.

2. “Abdul, come into the kitchen and eat dinner with us here.”

a. Who said these words and to whom?

Ans. Science teacher’s wife said to Dr. Abdul Kalam.

b. Was there any change in the speakers behavior?

Ans. Yes, there was a big change in her behavior.

c. How can you say so?

Ans. First time when Kalam went to their home for dinner he was told to sit outside the kitchen and have his dinner. Second time when Kalam went to their house, the science teacher's wife called him inside the kitchen to have dinner with them.

d. How did the listener respond to this?

Ans. The seeds of secularism were embedded in Dr. Kalam's mind.

B. Answer these questions:

Q 1. When and where was Abdul Kalam born?

Ans1. Abdul Kalam was born on 15th October 1931 in a small village of Rameshwaram, Tamil Nadu.

Q 2. Write the full name of Abdul Kalam?

Ans 2. The full name of Abdul Kalam was Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam.

Q 3. What did Kalam learn from his parents?

Ans 3. Kalam learnt to give importance to human values from his father and he learnt good nature and simplicity from his mother.

Q 4. Why did Kalam choose to become a scientist?

Ans 4. Kalam was greatly fascinated by the mysteries of the sky. He used to spend hours staring at the sky wondering at the mysteries of it.
So, he grew up to become a great scientist.

Q 5. When did Dr. Kalam become the President of India?

Ans 5. Dr. Kalam was elected as the President of India in 2002.

C. Think and answer.

Q1. How do we know that Dr. Kalam's parents were broad-minded?

Ans 1. We can say that Dr. Kalam's parents were broad-minded by following two incidents:

1. The priest of the Rameshwaram temple used to visit Kalam's house very often.
2. Kalam was allowed to visit Shiva temple before offering the namaz.

Q2. Why was Dr. Kalam so popular among the people?

Ans 2. Kalam was very popular among the people all over the world because of his values and unique personality.