

English Language Year 6 : Unit 12 : Land of Glory

Handout 1 : Let's read

“Those who are inside and outside this hall please make donations to help Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al-haj to go to London for the sake of our people and nation,” said Siti Rahmah Kassim at Dewan Hang Tuah in Bandar Hilir, Melaka sometime in 1957.

That was one particular moment which the 84 year old, Datuk Siti Rahmah Kassim, an unsung hero, will not forget for the rest of her life.

Tunku Abdul Rahman was sourcing for funds to go to London to obtain the country's independence from British. Siti Rahmah was the first person to donate her gold bangle, which was a gift from her father. When she heard about it, she placed her gold bangle in a red shawl and walked around the hall asking for more donations from those present.

The men gave away their valuables including rings and gold watches. The women gave away their brooches, dress pins, and other valuables.

“When Tunku came down from the stage to collect the jewellery, tears rolled down his cheeks. Watching the touching moment, the others in the hall cried too,” she said.

Datuk Siti Rahmah Kasim who hails from Negeri Sembilan is still active in several non-governmental organisations. She said the younger generation should be inculcated with the determination and enthusiasm to serve the country.

Exercise A : Refer to the comprehension text and answer the questions that follow.

Write True or False in the space provided.

1. Siti Rahmah Kassim made the announcement to raise donations.

2. Tunku Abdul Rahman was 84 years old at that time.

Exercise B : Write your answer in the space provided.

3. Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al Haj decided to go to London. State the reason for his action.

4. Why do you think people donated their jewellery and valuables?

5. What would be the best title for this passage?

6. In your opinion, why is Datuk Siti Rahmah Kassim considered a hero?

7. Would you donate your valuables for good cause? Why?

8. What can we do to protect our country's independence and peace?
