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Class:

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PRACTICE 032

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

One morning at school, Raja's teacher, Mrs. Ho, said that the class was going to work on a community service project. Mrs. Ho asked the class if anyone had any ideas for their service project to help others in the community.

Raja's hand shot up into the air. "The children's home where my mother works needs books," Raja explained. "Everyone here has books that they've outgrown. Why don't we give the ones we've already read to children who need them? I'm sure we have books that are new or almost new," he urged.

Mrs. Ho and Raja's classmates thought it was a great idea. They also believed that it was important to inculcate the good habit of reading in children. Thus, Raja and his classmates organised a book drive to collect new or slightly new books that would interest young people.

After two months, Raja and his classmates collected 847 books. Apart From that, their families also donated money to buy shelves, tables and chairs. Soon, their community service project became so successful that they were able to set up a library in the children's home.

From the community service project, Raja and his classmates learnt that an act of kindness, no matter how small, is never wasted. Where was the mango tree?

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1. Choose the correct answer.

Why did Raja raise his hand in class?

- A. He wanted to give his books to Mrs. Ho.
- B. He wanted to work at the children's home.
- C. He wanted to explain his idea for the community service project.

2. Raja's two suggestions for the community service project were for his classmates to _____.

- Build shelves, tables and chairs
- Donate money to set up the library
- Collect books that they had outgrown
- Donate books that were in good condition

For questions 3-5, read each statement and select True or False.

	Statement	True	False
3	Raja and his classmates were going to work on a community service project		
4	Raja and his classmates collected 847 books after a fortnight		
5	The library in the children's home started because the class wanted to inculcate the good habit of reading.		

6. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to show the order in which the events took place in the story.

- _____ Raja and his classmates set up a library.
- _____ Raja and his classmates organised a book drive.
- _____ Raja shared his idea with Mrs. Ho and his classmates.

7. What value did Raja and his classmates learn from the community service project?

- Loyalty
- Curiosity
- Empathy

8. Which word has the same meaning as 'appeal to' ? Choose either (A) or (B).

Thus, Raja and his classmates organised a book drive to **collect (A)** books that were new or slightly used that would **interest (B)** young people.

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