Hey, welcome with the new article "Biographical sketch", it’s no matter in which class/grade/Standard you are 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, teacher or student, this may this article help you to understand completely what is biographical sketch format, how to write it etc. Here we have Solved Examples and worksheet help you to understand the topic in good way. So without wasting time let's start.

A bio-sketcho or Biographical sketch of a person contains a detailed account of his physical outlook, characteristics, nature, job profile and other relevant personal information as required. The data provided in the question is used to write a bio-sketcho or personally compiled by the writer.

What is a biographical sketch?

A bio-sketch or a biographical sketch is a brief write up that to summarize a person’s life, achievements, character, experiences, etc. It is a short description highlighting the main traits of the personality of the chosen subject.

How to write a biographical sketch?

Biography sketch: It is always written by a person other than the one who is being described. The aim of a bio-sketch is large to present a positive picture of the person concerned. It is advisable to present all the information in chronological order while writing a bio-sketch so that the reader can trace the life of the subject from the beginning to the end.

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A **biographical sketch** is always written in the third person and aims at describing the significant achievements or impressive traits of a person’s personality.

Before writing a **bio-sketch**, the writer needs to conduct a thorough research about the life of the subject he/she has chosen. This can be done by reading reliable information in journals, books, libraries or online database.

The writer can then prepare a timeline of the person’s life and decide which points he/she wishes to highlight. Since a **bio-sketch** is a brief description, it describes such **qualities, events and achievements**.

In short, the writer should be able to paint a pen portrait of the subject and convince the reader that the person was unique and worth reading about.

**Biographical sketch Solved example**

Given examples are of "essay" biographical **sketch solved example**, you have to write an essay with the help of given clues.

**Here we have two solved examples:**

1. *(Bio sketch solved example 1)*: In the first example "Write a biographical sketch on Vishwanathan Anand not more than 100-120 words".
2. *(Bio sketch solved example 2)*: In the Second example "Write a biographical sketch on Kailash Satyarthi not more than 100-120 words.

**Biosketch solved example 1**

Write a **biographical sketch** of Vishwanathan Anand - Grandmaster, a world Chess Champion in your own words in not more than **100-120 words**. Clues have been given.

- **Clues**
  - **Vishwanathan Anand**
  - Born: December 11, 1969, in Tamil Nadu
  - Nationality: Indian
  - Hobbies: Listening to music, swimming and reading
  - Also known as: Vishy or the ‘Tiger of Madras’
  - Instructor: Learnt chess from mother at the age of 6
  - Marital status: Married
  - Children: A son
  - 1. Undisputed Title of World Chess Champion from 2007 to 2013
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Vishwanathan Anand was born on December 11, 1969, in Tamil Nadu. He is an Indian chess player who won the undisputed title of World Chess Champion from 2007-2013. He learnt to play chess from his mother at the age of 6. He became the first Asian at the age of 17 to win the world chess title at the FIDE World Junior Championship in the year 1987. He has published his collection of games under the title ‘Vishy Anand: My Best Games of Chess.’ Anand is fond of listening to music, swimming and reading. He is married to Aruna Anand and has a son. He is fondly referred to as Vishy, or the ‘Tiger of Madras’ and was awarded the Padma Shri at a young age of 18 years. Besides that, he has also bagged the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, Padma Vibhushan, Arjuna and Chess Oscar.

Bio sketch solved example 2

**Question:** Write a biographical sketch of Kailash Satyarthi, a Nobel Peace Prize Honorary, in your own words in not more than 100-120 words, Clues have been given.

Kailash Satyarthi

Clues

Born 11 January 1954, Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh. India-academic qualification-Electrical Engineer-family-married, Two children-a daughter and a son-prize motivation - ‘His struggle against the suppression of children and young people and for the right of all children to
Kailash Satyarthi is a renowned Child Rights Activist. He was born on 11 January 1945 in Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh. He is married and has two children - a daughter and a son. He is an electrical engineer by profession. He left his job and started working towards the eradication of child slavery and child labour. He is the founder of the Bachpan Bachao Andolan (BBA), a movement dedicated towards eradication of human trafficking and bonded child labour. He started a journal ‘The Struggle Shall Continue’ in 1980 to create awareness about the widespread weevil of child labour. He is the Nobel Peace Prize winner for India for ‘his struggle against the suppression of children and found people and for the right of all children to education’. He is also the only second Indian winner of the Nobel Peace Prize after Mother Teresa in 1980. He has won several other awards like Defenders of Democracy Award (US) in 2009, Alfonso Comin International Award (Spain) in 2008 and the Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Award in 1995.
Worksheet for students

Here we have two worksheets read carefully.

1. **Worksheet 1**: In the first worksheet, you have a paragraph and you have to write a biographical sketch with the help of given hints or Clues in the form of a paragraph.

2. **Worksheet 2**: In the second worksheet, you have to write a paragraph/biographical sketch with the help of given clues.

**Worksheet 1**

Write the biographical sketch of Raghuram Rajan, former Governor of RBI, in your own words in not more than 100-120 words. Clues have been given: (biographical sketch example for students)

Former governor-RBI-23rd-born February 3, 1963- Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh - Tamil family - father was senior bureaucrat - graduate from IIT Delhi in 1985- management degree from IIM- Ahmedabad in 1987-doctoral degree in 1991 from MIT-HKUST (Hongkong University of Science and Technology)-vegetarian-loves swimming, squash, tennis, running-married to Radhika Puri-she is a lecturer of law-at Chicago Law School-he served as the Chief Economic Advisor to Finance Ministry- was the youngest Chief Economist- at IMF in 2003 - prestigious awards- Fischer Black Prize-Best Central bank Governor Award-Deutsche Bank Prize for financial economics

**Worksheet 2**

Write the biography sketch of Nelson Mandela, the first Black President, in your own words in not more than 100-125 words. Clues have been given.

**Full name:** Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela

**Born:** 18 July 1918, Royal family of South Africa, got an English name, Nelson, from his teacher

Local Mission school

**Education:** Methodist College at Beaufort University of Witwatersrand

Law from African National Congress

1. 1944, let peaceful protest and armed resistance
2. Protected rights of blacks
3. Convicted of overthrowing the government
4. Imprisoned for 27 years
5. Elected first black President, 1994
6. Retired from politics in 1999
7. Continued working for world peace
The Nelson Mandela Foundation, Aids awareness

**Founder:** 95 years age in 2013

**Died:**
1. Bharat Ratan in 1990
2. Nobel Peace Prize in 1993

**Awards**

Also, read:

- Notice writing
- Message writing
- Report writing