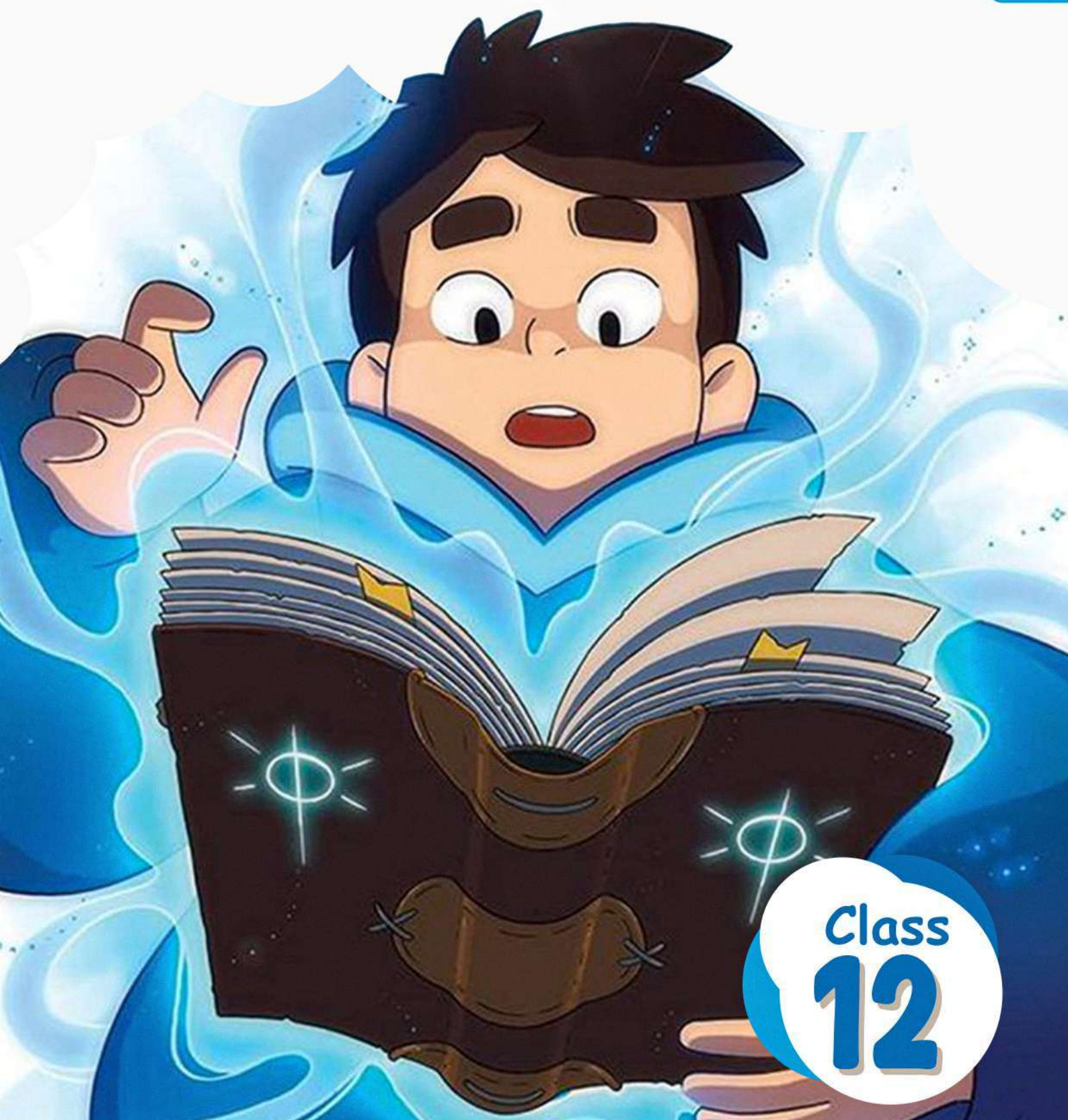




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## Topic = Unseen Passage

1. Read the following passage given below and answer the questions that follow : [9M]

Every man that is born in this world has a desire to live well. The life has various aims for various people. To some life is an empty dream without a motive. They eat and drink and continue to exist for the sake of living. They have no ideal, no mission for which to struggle and fight. Their ideal is to eat well, to make merry and enjoy the material things of life. Their activities aim at amassing the wealth by hook or by crook and using that wealth for the sake of luxury and comfort and pleasures.

The life is, however, not so easy at present. Even to make money for the sake of comforts and luxuries you have got to work hard and perform the social duty before the society can allow one to earn lot of money and amass the wealth. Modern states work under certain principles of social behaviour and do not allow people to go about making money without caring to perform certain duties which are useful to society. A businessman or an industrialist must pay to his labourers well so that the labour does his duty honestly and diligently and enable the enterpriser to make profits from the goods produced. The only easy way of making money is cheating or stealing which have consequences of their own. Law has prescribed imprisonment for the robbers, thieves and the cheats.

Life is complicated in modern life. It needs to be well planned if you want to achieve anything worthwhile. Whether your mission or ideal is materialistic or spiritual you have got to plan. To make life worth living you must work hard towards the object of your mission. A life without mission is a life lost. A life without planning is a life wasted. Discipline, mission and hard work are important virtues of a successful man. If you are a patriot and desire to be a politician to earn name and fame in the service of society, you must plan exactly what you want. If you want to do the service to the people and to represent their cause in elected assemblies, you must win over the support of the voters by giving them honest account of services. You must fight for their interest, show great achievements before you can enjoy the popularity of the masses. It is not simply slogan mongering that matters in politics now-a-days. A successful public man has to be a qualified administrator who can fight out practical issues with the authorities and win practical benefits for the people.

- (i) What is the desire of every man in this world ?
  - (ii) What is the ideal of majority of people ?
  - (iii) Why do they act in this world ?
  - (iv) What is needed to achieve anything worthwhile ?
  - (v) Write the important virtues of a successful man.
  - (vi) How can a man reach up to assemblies ?
- Find out a word from the passage which means —
- (vii) useful enough.

(viii) purpose of doing something.

(ix) phrase expressing a political or advertising message.

(RBSE 2013)

2. Read the following passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

[9M]

All round development of man is the true aim of education. It should train not only the head, but also the hands and the heart. But our present system of education has miserably failed to achieve this aim. It suffers from many grave defects. The present system of education was founded by the British for their own convenience. Lord Macaulay was the father and founder of this system. He wanted it to produce clerks to help the British in running their administration. Today the English have gone but the same old system of education still continues. We are free but we are still slavishly following the system evolved by the British. This system of education has many defects. It must be changed and overhauled.

The greatest defect in our present system of education is that it is too theoretical. An educated man has only bookish knowledge. He knows nothing about practical things. He finds that his education has not made him fit to do any useful work for his society. The present system of education does not teach us the dignity of labour. A student is not taught or trained to do things with his hands. Manual or physical labour finds no place in education. Educated young men are fit only to be clerk in offices. They look down upon manual labour. They consider it below their dignity to work with their hands in fields or factories.

Vocational education is the need of the hour. We need more and more technicians, engineers and doctors. But the number of vocational institutions — Engineering and Medical colleges, Polytechnics and I.T.I's — is limited. A large number of young men and women, who can do well as technicians, are deprived of technical or vocational knowledge.

The present system of education gives too much importance to English. At many places, it is the medium of instruction. English may be an international language. It may have rich treasures of science and literature. But it can never be our national language. Education must be imparted in the mother tongue. This will save much talent of the country from going waste.

A number of commissions have been set up since the dawn of independence to plan afresh the country's system of education. After much thought, the 10 + 2 + 3 system was introduced. It was designed to divert the students to different fields and vocations according to their talent and the needs of the society. But different states have taken to it only half-heartedly. As the things stand today, the 10 + 2 + 3 system has become a riddle. No one knows what exactly it is.

Meanwhile, our education system is as rotten and muddy as it used to be. Students find it purposeless. Therefore, they feel restive and go on strikes. They take no interest in their studies because they know that after finishing their education, they will only join the army of unemployed. There is an urgent need that the present system should be overhauled and made purposeful.

(i) What is the true aim of education ?



- (RBSE 2014)

[9M]

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1. You have received an invitation letter from the Principal and staff of Govt. Senior Secondary School, Alwar. You have to attend Career Day function on 15th February, 2013 at 2.00 p.m. as Chief Guest of the function. Write a refusal to the invitation owing to your being busy in an important meeting .  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2013)
2. D. K. International is looking for a receptionist for the school. Write an advertisement on behalf of the administrative officer in the classified columns of the local newspaper giving necessary details. Draft an advertisement in not more than 50 words.  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2014)
3. You have constructed a new house. You want to let out a portion of that house. Write an advertisement to be published in the 'To Let' classified columns of a local newspaper.  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2015)
4. You are the Editor of your school magazine. Draft a notice for your school students and staff members inviting articles, sketches etc. for your school magazine. Sign as PQR of Govt. S. S. School, Sitapur.  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2015)
5. As the principal of your school you are going to organise a science fair in your school. Write a notice inviting the names of the students who want to participate in charts, models and Quiz competition.  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2016)
6. Mr. Rajveer Gupta is looking for a bride for his son. Write an advertisement to be published in the 'Matrimonials' column of a local newspaper.  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2016)
7. You are Govind/Chharu studying in Govt. Sr.Sec. School Kota. Your school is organising a blood donation camp in your locality. Draft a notice in not more than 50 words informing the students of class XII.  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2018)
8. You are Ajay/Sunita. You have received an invitation from your friend Gopal/Chitra to join his/her birthday party. But as you have an urgent work so you are unable to attend it. Write an informal reply to decline the invitation.  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2018)
9. You have been transferred to Jaipur from Mumbai. You want to sell your house in Mumbai along with furniture. Prepare an advertisement for it for a classified column in not more than 50 words.  
[4M]  
(RBSE 2019)



## Writing = 2.Report

1. An N.G.O. is going to organise a 'Free Eye Operation Camp' in your locality. Compose a report with the help of the given hints in about 100 words.

An N.G.O.— Free Eye Camp — Dr. Sudheer — inaugurate — beds — social workers — first day — admit patients — operation—patient — discharge — doctors and nurses — duty — thank. [7M]  
(RBSE 2013)

2. You are the monitor of your class. You organised and conducted a quiz competition in your class. Write a report of it to be published in the school magazine in about 100 words. [7M]  
(RBSE 2014)

3. You are Mukesh, reporter of Rajasthan Patrika. Write a report in about 100 words on assembly elections held in your city. [7M]  
(RBSE 2014)

4. Your club organised a blood donation camp in your city. Write a report in about 100 words. [7M]  
(RBSE 2015)

5. Write a report in about 100 words on the topic 'The Prize distribution function'. [7M]  
(RBSE 2016)

6. Write a report in about 100 words on the topic "Science and Culture fair". [7M]  
(RBSE 2018)

7. A heavy flood takes seven lives in your neighbouring village. Write a report on it with the help of given outline in about 100 words.

(Continuous rain - dam - broke - people - homeless - houses - collapsed - electricity - failed - cattle - drowned - relief work - ambulance - rescue team) [7M]  
(RBSE 2019)

8. Your school celebrated a two days 'Van-Mahotsav' programme last week. Write a report on it in about 100 words. [7M]  
(RBSE 2019)

9. Yesterday, two robbers robbed the Punjab National Bank of your city. Write a report on it in about 100 words. You may use the following outline. [7M]

(PNB – robbed – two robbers – 11.30 a.m. – customers – cash counter – Manager – pistol – guard – injured – telephone line – masks – safe – fifty lakh rupees – police – investigation) [7M]  
(RBSE 2020)

10. Write a report to be published in a newspaper on the Annual Function of your school. Here is given outlines for your help. [7M]  
(RBSE 2020)

## Grammar :

### 1.CLAUSES

1. (i) He was born in the caste of bangle makers. He has seen nothing but bangles. (Who) [1M]  
(ii) I want to live happily with my books. Their company gives me strength. (Whose) [1M]  
(RBSE 2022)
2. (i) Vipin sold the painting. He painted it overnight. (Which) [1M]  
(ii) She put off the lights. The children had slept. (When) [1M]  
(RBSE 2023)
3. (i) Kishore built a new house. He used marble tiles in it. (Where) [1M]  
(ii) Manisha taught English. She was a good teacher. (Who) [1M]  
(RBSE 2024)
4. Join the following sentences using the word given in bracket : [2M]  
I have found the pen. I lost the pen. (Which)  
(RBSE 2025)

### 2.SYNTHESIS

5. Combine each set of sentences into one sentence as directed : [2M]  
(i) Sushil was punished. Sushil was fined. (Compound sentence)  
(ii) The earth is round. Everyone knows it (Complex sentence)  
(RBSE 2023)
6. Combine each set of sentences into one sentence as directed : [2M]  
(i) Lencho wrote a letter to god. He wanted god to help him. (Use infinitive)  
(ii) Usha worked very hard. She stood first in class. (Make a compound sentence)  
(RBSE 2024)
7. Combine set of sentences into one sentence as directed : [2M]  
Night came on.  
The room grew dark. (Make a compound sentence)

### 3.PHRASAL VERBS

8. (i) My car\_\_\_\_\_ on the way. (broke down/broke up) [1M]  
(ii) All parents\_\_\_\_\_ their children with love and care. (bring up/bring to) [1M]  
(RBSE 2022)



9. (i) Priyanka opted for mathematics group. She \_\_\_ with her decision. (gets out/ gets on/ gets along) [1M]  
(ii) I must \_\_\_ my visit till next week. (put out/put off) [1M]  
(RBSE 2023)

10. (i) The genie \_\_\_\_\_ all his master's orders without a question. (carried out/carried up)  
(ii) The wanted criminal managed to \_\_\_\_\_ from the police. (get along/get away.) [2M]  
(RBSE 2024)

11. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct phrasal verbs given in the brackets :

- i) The burglars \_\_\_\_\_ the house. (broke into/broke down) [1M]  
ii) He \_\_\_\_\_ early in the morning. (gets up/gets under) [1M]  
iii) He \_\_\_\_\_ his departure for a week. (put on/put off) [1M]  
(RBSE 2025)

#### 4.CONJUNCTIONS

12. (i) \_\_\_\_\_ the guests arrived, the function began. (As soon as/As/Because) [1M]  
(ii) The man is \_\_\_\_\_ rich \_\_\_\_\_ help you. (enough-to/so-as/so-that) [1M]  
(RBSE 2023)

13. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct conjunction given in the brackets : [2 × 1 = 2M]  
(i) Arpit \_\_\_\_\_ Archana jointly scored the top marks. (and/so)  
(ii) The recorder asked me \_\_\_\_\_ I was comfortable. (that/if)  
(RBSE 2024)

14. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct conjunctions given in brackets :  
i) Birds fly \_\_\_ fish swim. (so/and) [1M]  
ii) He was sleeping I was reading a book. (while/as) [1M]  
iii) Raju is an intelligent boy a good player. (as-as/not only-but also) [1M]  
(RBSE 2025)



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## 1.THE LAST LESSON

- ## 2.LOST SPRING

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(RBSE 2014)

(RBSE 2016)

(RBSE 2022)

[1M]

- (RBSE 2022)

(RBSE 2024)

(RBSE 2025)

(RBSE 2013)

(RBSE 2015)

(RBSE 2019)

(RBSE 2021)

(RBSE 2022)

*OR*

(RBSE 2016, 2022)

## 5. INDIGO

32. Who led Gandhi to Champaran and why ? [2M]  
(RBSE 2013)
33. Why is Rajkumar Shukla described as being resolute ? [2M]  
(RBSE 2015)
34. How did British landlords compel poor peasants? [2M]  
(RBSE 2018)
35. Why did Gandhiji scold the lawyers ? [2M]  
(RBSE 2020)
36. Describe the difficulties faced by Gandhi at Champaran.  
OR  
Describe the difficulties faced by Gandhiji in Champaran episode. [4M]  
(RBSE 2014, 2021)
37. What was the long term contract ? [2M]  
(RBSE 2022)
38. Gandhiji decided to urge the departure of the British. It was in \_\_\_\_\_. [1M]  
(A) 1917 (B) 1947  
(C) 1948 (D) 1913  
(RBSE 2022)
6. POETS AND PANCAKES

## 6. POETS AND PANCAKES

39. Describe the role of Subbu in Gemini studios. [7M]  
(RBSE 2013)

40. What does 'The God that failed' refer to ? [2M]  
(RBSE 2014)

41. Why was Kothamangalam Subbu so popular and important in Gemini studio? [7M]  
(RBSE 2016)

42. Write down some qualities of Subbu. [2M]  
(RBSE 2023)

(C) one minute

(D) one second

(RBSE 2022)

### 3. A THING OF BEAUTY

11. What role does a beautiful thing play in our life ?

[2M]

(RBSE 2014)

12. What beautiful things are depicted in the poem 'A Thing of Beauty'?

(RBSE 2023)

13. List the things of beauty mentioned in the poem.

[2M]

(RBSE 2015, 2025)

### 4. A ROADSIDE STAND

14. Why do some car owners stop at the stand ?

[2M]

(RBSE 2013)

15. What is the 'childish longing' that the poet refers to ? Why is it vain ?

[2M]

(RBSE 2014)

16. What was the plea of the folk who had put up the Roadside Stand ?

[2M]

(RBSE 2015)

17. What does frost want to convey through the poem 'A Roadside Stand'?

[4M]

(RBSE 2024)

18. Write the theme of the poem 'A Roadside Stand'.

[3M]

(RBSE 2025)

### 5. AUNT JENNIFER'S TIGERS

19. How is Aunt Jennifer surrounded by ordeals ?

[2M]

(RBSE 2013)

20. What is suggested by the image 'massive weight of uncle's wedding band' ?

[2M]

(RBSE 2014)

21. Why is Aunt Jennifer's fingers fluttering through her wool?

[2M]

(RBSE 2016)

22. Who is the poet of the poem 'Aunt Jennifer's Tigers'?

[1M]

(A) Robert Frost

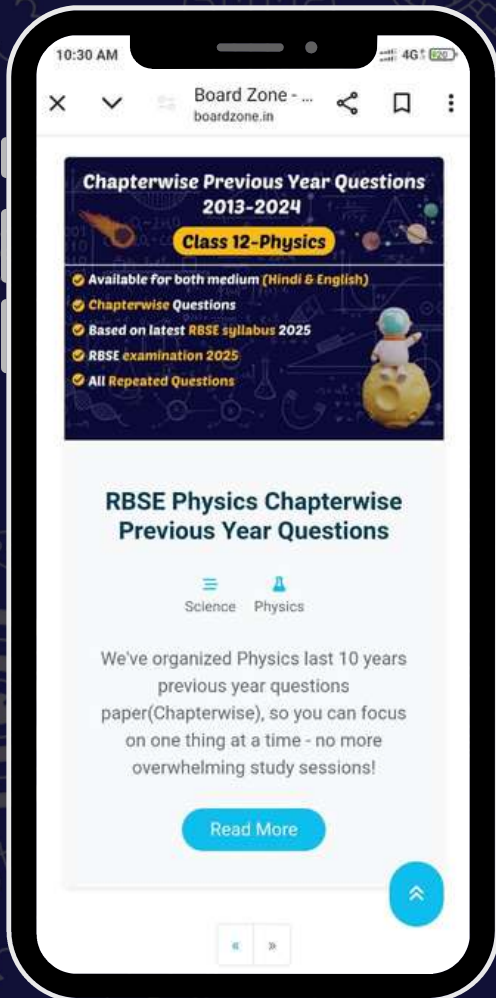
(B) John Keats

(C) Adrienne Rich

(D) Pablo Neruda



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