

# Al- Noor Center of Education

## MY HOBBY

The word “Hobby” is derived from the “Hobby horse” which is a stick attached to the wooden horse on which small children ride for their amusement. Hobby is a work which can be taken up during leisure time. So, hobby means a useful activity in which one takes interest and derives pleasure by doing it in a spare time without any momentary benefit. It is like occupation apart from the regular work.

Today, man lives in a world where struggle and effort is necessary for survival. He has to toil from dawn to dusk. Physical and mental exertion leave him utterly exhausted and enervated after the whole day’s work. The constant drudgery of his daily life routine rusts his talent and efficiency. He wants some pleasure activity to lighten the burden of his monotony. He needs extra and spare hours to soothe his perturbed feelings and troubled soul. Hobby is the cheap source of entertainment and amusement. It is the way of recreation from the exhaustion and fever of life.

Different people do different things to this effect. There are various kinds of hobbies like gardening, reading, walking, stamp – collecting and coin – collecting etc. which one adopts according to one’s taste. Though there are various things I do at the moment of leisure time but the thing that attracts all of my attention is gardening. Francis Bacon in his essay, ‘Of Garden’ says,

**“God Almighty first planted a garden.**

**And indeed it is the purest of human pleasures”**

So, this hobby of mine is ultimate source of joy and recreation for me.

Hobby is an activity which one does at spare time for the sheer sake of delight and recreation. It invigorates both our body and mind. It breathes new life into lethargic and lazy body. So hobby is a felicitous activity which refresh our body and mind.

**“Absence of occupation is not rest A mind quite  
vacant is a mind distressed”**

Today, we are living in a world where life is too much mechanical, dull and dreary. I need some recreational activity to get rid of this tedious and boring life style. For this purpose I have made lawn in front of my house and garden at back of my house. I have Planted mango, lemon, orange and banana trees. I also grow many colourful flowers. They present a bright, colourful and vivid scene and spread aroma all around us. Green fruit trees, lush grassy lawn and thick

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mistletoe covering the front wall of my house enhance beauty of my house and add colour to the surrounding. The clean brown soil of beds of flowers presents a sharp contrast to lush green garden. The trunks of the trees are white – washed approximately upto four feet.

Green leaves

**“Fluttering and dancing in breeze happy- happy boughs that  
can not shed leaves  
Nor even bid the spring adieu.”**

These leaves impart a soothing effect to the eyes. A little fountain is also present in the heart of the garden. When it sprinkles, it looks charming. Then water from the fountain flows subterraneously to the bed of flowers and trees. This scene is very enchanting and I become very happy to see this blessing of Allah. As it is said,

**“One is near God’s heart in garden  
Than anywhere else in world”**

My garden looks very beautiful and this is the proof of my devotion and dedication to my garden.

I devote two hours daily for the maintenance of beauty and loveliness of my garden. I water the plants regularly and prune the rose plants. Sometimes, I apply the manure to the plants to enrich the growth of garden. I also white – washed the trunks of trees. I have also placed flowerpot on the both sides of gate and along the walls of my house. My garden is perfect in all respects. I have also advised my friend to make the lawns and gardens. I wish to work and sit there. This hobby provides me a real relishment and source of joy and recreation.