



CLASS IX & X
ENGLISH GRAMMAR
PART II
LESSON 16
CONCORD

NOTES

1. In the construction of English sentences, there are certain rules which bind the different components of the sentences. There is agreement between the different components of the sentences.

The agreement between two or more parts of the sentence in person, number, gender and tense is called Concord.

Example:

- i. Reena loves her mother.
- ii. When I went to Joseph's house, he had already left for Delhi.

Note: In the first sentence, 'Reena' and 'her' agree in person, number and gender.

In the second sentence also, 'Joseph' and 'he' agree in person, number and gender. Also, the tense of the Subordinate Clause and the Principal Clause has agreement. Both the clauses are in the past tense. This is called **Concord in Tense**.

These agreements are generally referred to as:

- i. **Concord of Person**
- ii. **Concord of Number**
- iii. **Concord of Gender**
- iv. **Concord of Tense.**

2. In certain cases, **agreement is according to the idea or notion expressed.**

Example: The Parliament have been divided on the Bill.



