

Sasha learns to count

One day Sasha's teacher asked her to count the number of fingers she has in her hands.

Sasha's counted , "1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 and 10."

Sasha's teacher tells her, Good, you have 10 fingers."

Sasha tells her teacher-"Madam, show me your hands."

Sasha counts, "1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 and 10."

"Madam, you have ten fingers," she tells.

Sasha is happy.

Sasha returns home from school.

She runs to her mother and tells to her, "Mother, show me your hands."

Sasha counts, "1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 and 10."

"Mummy, you have 10 fingers," she tells her.

She runs to her father and tells him-'Daddy, show me your hands.'

Sasha counts, "1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 and 10."

"Daddy, you have 10 fingers," she tells him.

She runs to her Auntly and tells her, "Aunty, show me your hands."

Sasha counts, "1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 and 10."

"Aunty, you have 10 fingers," she tells her.

Next day Sasha goes to school.

She tells her teacher, "I have ten fingers. You have ten fingers. My mother has ten fingers. My father has ten fingers. My Uncle has ten fingers. My Aunty has ten fingers."

Teacher pats her and tells her, "Yes, we all have ten fingers."

Answer the questions:

Who asked Sasha to count the number of fingers in her hands?

1. Who taught Sasha to count?
2. How many fingers did Sasha's teacher have in her hand?
3. Where does Sasha go the next day?
4. Sasha counted her _____, her _____, her _____ and her _____ fingers.
5. Write another word for:
 - i. Father: _____
 - ii. Mother: _____
6. Write the other gender for: i. Father: _____ ii. Uncle: _____
7. Write the opposite of: i. sad: _____

Sasha knows to keep away her things

Sasha loves to keep her house neat and tidy. She puts all her things in their place.

She keeps her books in the book-shelf.

She keeps her clothes in the cupboard.

She puts her shoes in the shoe-stand.

She keeps her pencils and erasers in the pencil-box.

She throws the waste paper in the dust-bin.

She puts her toys in the toy-box.

Sahsha puts all her things in their places. She never loses anything.

Answer the following questions:

1. What does Sasha love to do?
2. Where does Sasha keep her books?
3. What does Sasha keep in her cupboard?
4. Where does Sasha throw the waste paper?
5. What does Sasha keep in the shoe-stand?
6. Does Sasha put her toys in her pencil-box?
7. Why does Sasha not loss anything?
8. Do you think Sasha is
9. Write the plural of:
 - i. Toy: _____
 - ii. Shoe: _____
 - iii. Book: _____
10. Write the opposite of:
 - i. Hates: _____
 - ii. Untidy: _____
 - iii. Never: _____

Sasha likes to play

Sasha is a little girl. She likes to play. She goes to the park every evening to play. She plays with her friends there.

Shasha sits on the See-saw. The see-saw goes up and down, up and down. It is fun to sit on the see-saw and go up and down.

Shasha sits on the Merry-go-round. The Merry-go-round goes round and round, round and round. It is fun to sit on the Merry-go-round and go round and round.

Shasha sits on the swing. The Swing goes back and forth, back and forth. It is fun to sit on the swing and go back and forth.

Shasha plays with a ball. The ball is thrown and caught, thrown and caught. It is fun to throw and catch the ball.

Sasha is careful while playing. She does not like to fall and get hurt. Shasha loves to play in a park. Her friends too love to play in a park.

Answer the questions:

1. What does Sasha like?
2. Where does Sasha like to play?
3. Who does Sasha play with?
4. How does the swing go?
5. What goes round and round?
6. Is it fun to sit on the See-saw?
7. What is thrown and caught?
8. Why is Sasha careful while playing?
9. Does Sasha love to play in the park?
10. Write the singular of:
 - i. Girls: _____
 - ii. Balls: _____
 - iii. Friends: _____
11. Fill in the blanks with the correct Prepositions:
 - i. Sasha goes ____ the park.
 - ii. Shasha sits ____ the swing.
 - iii. Sasha plays ____ the ball.
12. Write the opposite of:
 - i. Here: _____
 - ii. Dislike: _____
 - iii. Up : _____

I want to become

One day Sasha's grandfather shows her a photo album.

"This is your cousin brother. He is a chef. He cooks food in a restaurant."

"This is your cousin sister. She is a mechanic. She repairs vehicles."

"This is me, your Grandfather. I am a farmer. I grow crops in the field."

"This is your Grandmother. She is a writer. She writes stories for children."

"This is your uncle. He is architect. He designs homes."

"This is your aunty. She is an artist. She paints pictures."

Sasha tells her, "I want to be a photographer. I want to take such photos."

Grandfather pats her and tells her, "I will buy you a camera when you grow up."

Sasha is happy and hugs her Grandfather.

Answer the questions:

1. What does Grandfather show Sasha one day?
2. What does the artist do?
3. Who is the farmer in the story?
4. What does the chef do?
5. Who protects the country from enemies?
6. Is it Sasha's father or mother who is an architect?
7. Write the other gender of
 - i. Grandfather: _____
 - ii. Uncle: _____
 - iii. Cousin sister: _____
8. What does Sasha want to become when she grows up?
9. Who said- 'I will buy you a camera when you grow up.'?
10. _____ designs homes.

Sasha is lost

One Sunday Sasha and her grandfather plan to go to the fair. They get ready. Mummy writes down their phone number on a piece of paper and gives it to Sasha. ‘Keep it safely in your pocket’ she tells her. But Sasha thinks- I know this by-heart. I do not need this paper. She does not take it with her.

Grandfather and Sasha reach the fair. It is crowded. Grandfather tells Sasha, ‘Never let go of my hand’.

There is so much to look at in the fair. Balloons, candies, clowns, rides, ice-cream carts, jugglers and beautiful toys and dresses for sale.

Sasha suddenly realizes that her grandfather is not around. She looks here and there. But he is not to be seen. Sasha is worried.

Sasha sees a Policeman. She runs to him for help. She tells him she is lost. The Policeman asks her phone number. Sasha is not able to tell it. She has forgotten it because she is so upset. She wishes she had taken that little paper that her mother wrote for her.

She can only tell her name and her grandfather’s name to the Policeman. The Policeman takes her to the Announcement room. A lady announces in the mike- “A little girl named Sasha has been found. Her grandfather may come and take her from the announcement room.”

After ten minutes, her grandfather rushes in. Sasha and her grandfather are happy to see each other.

Answer the questions:

1. Where do Sasha and her grandfather plan to go?
2. What does Sasha’s mother write on the piece of paper?
3. Why does Sasha not take the piece of paper?
4. Who does Sasha run to for help?
5. Why did Sasha forget her phone number?
6. Where does the Policeman take her to?
7. Does Sasha meet her grandfather?
8. Write the opposite of:
 - i. Slowly: _____
 - ii. Give: _____
 - iii. Go: _____
9. Write the plural of:
 - i. Toy: _____
 - ii. Dress: _____
 - iii. Candy: _____
10. Unjumble the words:
 - i. baobnsl: _____
 - ii. umnerb: _____
 - iii. eabiuitulf: _____

Mother's Birthday

It is Mummy's birthday today.

Grandfather gives her a watch.

Grandmother bakes a lovely cake for her.

Father cooks a special lunch for her.

Sasha wants to give something special for her mother. She wants to give her a gift. She decided to make a Birthday card for mother.

She draws flowers on a paper. She draws a heart, too. She colours it.

She gives it her mother, and tells her, "Happy Birthday Mummy. I love you."

Mummy picks her up and kisses her. She tells her, "This is the best gift of all!"

Answer the following questions:

1. Whose birthday is it?
2. What does Grandmother make for Mummy?
3. Who gives Mother a watch?
4. What does Father do?
5. Does Sasha give a gift to her mother?
6. Who says-"This is the best gift of all."?
7. What does Sasha draw on the Birthday card?
8. Pick and write three action words (Verbs) from the story.
9. Pick and write three describing words from the story.
10. What is the title of the story?

Cheeku and the lost nut

Cheeku is a young squirrel. He lives in Shalimar forest with his mother. His house is a hole in a Guava tree.

One day he found a walnut. "My stomach is full, I will eat this nut another day," he thought. He dug a small hole in the ground and covered it with soil so that it remains hidden.

A week later Cheeku and his mother went to their grandmother's house in the nearby forest. They stayed with her for a year.

A year later they returned home. Cheeku remembered his nut. He searched around for it, but did not find it. He felt very unhappy. He went to his mother and told her, "I have lost my walnut."

His mother came out of the hole and looked around. She saw a walnut sapling growing nearby. She smiled and told him, "Dear, your nut has grown into this sapling."

Cheeku was confused. His mother explained, "While we were away it must have rained. Your nut must have absorbed the water and grown roots and leaves. The tiny leaves must have made food using Carbon dioxide and Sunlight and the water the roots sent to them. Your little walnut has grown into a sapling now. It will keep growing and become a tree after a few years. It will grow several nuts and feed many." Cheeku listened in wonder to all this.

His mother told him, "You have added a tree to the forest. Congratulations!" Cheeku felt proud of himself, "I will burrow many more nuts, Mummy", he said. "I will grow food for all."

Cheeku's mother hugged him and told him, 'You are very kind and good'.

Answer the questions:

1. Who did Cheeku live with?
2. What did Cheeku find one day?
3. Where did Cheeku's grandmother live?
4. Why did Cheeku feel unhappy?
5. How do seeds grow?
6. Do you growing trees is good?
7. How do the leaves make food?
8. Pick up other gender for:
 - i. He: _____
 - ii. Grandfather: _____
9. Pick the opposite of:
 - i. Old: _____
 - ii. Unkind: _____
10. What is the moral of the story?
11. Find the word that means:
 - i. Sad: _____
 - ii. come back
 - iii. very small

The Lion and the Puppy

A lion lived in the Gir forest in Gujarat. A wolf and a puppy lived with him in his den. The lion liked the wolf more than the puppy because the wolf was stronger.

One day the lion did not return to his den. The wolf and puppy got worried. They began searching for the lion and soon found him lying wounded near a river. With great difficulty the wolf and the puppy brought him back to the den. The lion was in great pain and could not move. He was weak and hungry, too. From that day, the wolf went hunting for food to feed the three of them.

The puppy stayed in the den with the lion. He guarded the cave. He licked the lion and kept his wounds clean. He played tricks and made the lion laugh. He cleaned the den and kept it free of mice and insects. The lion started liking the puppy, too.

In two weeks the lion's wound healed. He was well again. He called the wolf and puppy and thanked them. He thanked the wolf for feeding it and the puppy for caring for it. He now liked them both equally.

Answer the questions:

1. Where is Gir forest?
2. Who did the lion live with?
3. Why did the lion like the wolf more than the puppy?
4. Where was the lion found?
5. Who played tricks and made the lion laugh?
6. In how many days did the lion's wound heal?
7. What did the lion do after he was well again?
8. The young one of the dog is called_____.
9. The lion lives in a _____.
10. Pick past tense of:
Find _____
Bring _____
Keep _____
11. Complete the spelling:
Beca__se
Diffi__ulty
12. Did you like this story?

The Right to Education

It was a bright afternoon in April. Six-year old Ratna was returning from her school. Near her house she saw five-year old Ammu. She asked Ratna in her sweet voice, “Take me to your school with you, Didi.” Ratna was very fond of Ammu. They played in the evening together. But, little Ammu was from a poor family. “They wouldn’t be able to pay the school fees,” thought Ratna sadly.

Ratna reached home and shared her disappointment with her mother, ‘Mummy, Ammu is so good and clever. It is sad that she cannot study in my school.’

Ratna’s mother said, “Why not? Don’t you know that she will be joining your school from tomorrow?”

Ratna was surprised. “But Mummy, the fees in my school is very high. Ammu’s parents will be unable to pay it?”

Ratna’s mother said, “Don’t you know about the Right to Education? According to this, every child in India has to go to study in a school till the age of fourteen. If they are poor and can’t pay the fees, the school has to provide education to her free of cost.”

Ratna clapped with joy. “This is so good! Now Ammu can come to my school,” she said.

Answer the questions:

1. Where was Ratna returning from?
2. How old was Ammu?
3. Who said this-“Take me to your school with you, Didi?”
4. When did Ratna and Ammu play?
5. Why did Ratna think Ammu cannot join her school?
6. What is the “Right to Education”?
7. Will Ammu be able to study in Ratna’s school?
8. Pick the opposite of:
 Rich _____
 Able _____
 Low _____
9. Write the contraction of:
 Would not _____
 Do not _____
 Can not _____
10. Fill in blanks with a describing word:
 _____ Ammu was from a _____ family.
11. Write one word for:
 Father and mother: _____
 The day after today: _____
12. Correct the mistakes in the names:
 ammu : _____
 ratna: _____

Dhruv the discoverer

One day Dhruv's Mother planted a seed in a pot, in the garden. "I will take care of this," Dhruv told his mother. His Mother agreed.

After a few days a small plant grew from the seed. Dhruv was happy. He watered the plant regularly and watched it grow.

One day he thought, "It is so sunny outside, my plant must be feeling hot". So he took the pot inside his room and kept it under his table. It was very dark there. After a few days Dhruv noticed that the plant's leaves had become yellow. It was also not growing well. He took the plant outside again. In a few days the plant's leaves turned green. It was now growing well.

He went to his Mother and told her, "Plants need sunlight to grow." His Mother felt proud of him. Dhruv had discovered this by himself.

Answer the following questions:

1. Where did Dhruv's mother plant the seed?
2. What grew from the seed?
3. Why did Dhruv keep the plant inside his room?
4. Without sunlight what happened to the leaves of the plant?
5. Do plants need sunlight to grow?
6. To whom did Dhruv tell, 'Plants need sunlight to grow.'?
7. Why did Dhruv's mother feel proud of him?
8. Who said this-"I will take care of this."?
9. Write the past tense of:
 - i. Think: _____
 - ii. Tell: _____
 - iii. Feel: _____
10. Fill in the blanks:
 - i. The seed was _____ the pot.
 - ii. The pot was kept _____ the table.

Tidy up, Dhruv

Five years old Dhruv was playing with his toys in the hall. A toy car and many building blocks lay around him. Just then his friend Naved called him out to play. Dhruv got up and ran out to play. But his Father saw him going out and said, “Dhruv, keep your toys away and then go.” Dhruv was in a hurry but he had to listen to his Father. So, he came back and put his toy-car in the toy-box. Then he began to go out. But again his Father called out to him, “Dhruv, why don’t you remove your building blocks also from the way?” Dhruv was angry. “Why was everyone asking him to keep his toys away?” he thought. But he knew he had to listen to his Father. He came back and picked up all his building blocks and put them in his toy-box. Then he went out to play.

Outside he saw Naved playing in the garden with a red kite. He had also brought his cricket bat and ball to play. They were lying in the path near the garden-gate. Just then Dhruv’s Grandfather came back from his walk. He opened the gate and entered the garden. But he tripped on Naved’s bat and fell down. Dhruv ran to his Grandfather and helped him to get up. Luckily Grandfather was not hurt. But, his clothes had become dirty and his glasses had broken. Dhruv told Naved angrily, “You should not leave things in the way. People may trip and fall.”

Answer the following questions:

1. Where was Dhruv playing?
2. Who called Dhruv out to play?
3. Why was Dhruv angry?
4. Did Dhruv listen to his Father?
5. Where were Naved’s bat and ball?
6. What did Grandfather trip on?
7. Who helped Grandfather get up?
8. Was Grandfather hurt?
9. Who said this to whom, ‘You should not leave things in the way. People may trip and fall.’?
10. How old was Kripal?
11. What is the title of the story?
12. Write the opposite of:
Clean: _____
Went: _____

Doing things together is fun

It was Sunday. Dhruv wanted to play with his sister- Suma. But Suma refused to play with him. She said, “I cannot play with you until I complete my Project.” Dhruv went to his Mother and complained, “Mummy, I am feeling bored but Suma refuses to play with me.” His mother told him, “Suma has to do her homework, dear. Why don’t you try helping her?”

Dhruv reluctantly went to Suma’s room. She was sitting surrounded by a big pile of newspaper. Dhruv asked her, “Shall I help you?” Suma was surprised at this offer of help. She said, “I am searching for five pictures on the topic – ‘Traffic in the city’ from the newspapers for my project.”

Dhruv joined the picture search. Soon he found a picture of a traffic jam in a newspaper. ‘This is just what I needed,’ said Suma happily. Dhruv felt very proud of himself. He said, “This is like a treasure hunt. The pictures are the treasure and they are all hidden somewhere among the pages of these newspapers. This is really interesting.” Suma replied, “I too thought it was boring. But searching for the pictures with you is really fun.” Very soon they found a picture of a Traffic Jam, a Truck, an E-Rickshaw and a traffic light. Dhruv helped Suma to stick the pictures in her Project book and then also helped her to tidy up the place. When they had finished Suma said, “Thank you, Dhruv. I finished my project in half an hour thanks to your help. Come, now it is time to go to the park.”

Happily Dhruv and Suma ran outside with a football.

Answer the following questions:

1. Who was Suma?
2. Why did Suma refuse to play with Dhruv?
3. Where was Suma searching pictures from?
4. How many pictures did Suma want?
5. What was the first picture that Dhruv found?
6. Who said, “This is like a treasure hunt,”?
7. Did Suma thank Dhruv?
8. How much time did they take to finish the project?
9. Where did Suma and Dhruv play football?
10. Pick the past tense:
 - i. Find: _____
 - ii. Tell: _____
 - iii. run: _____
11. Pick the plural form of: i. this: _____ ii. is: _____

The caterpillar

One day Dhruv was playing in the garden. Suddenly, he saw a hairy worm-like creature on a leaf.

He hurriedly called out to his Grandfather-“Look at this Grandfather, it is so ugly. Shall I kill it?” Grandfather replied- ‘Dhruv, this is a caterpillar. It is a baby insect. Why do you want to harm it?’

“Grandfather it is so ugly. It must be bad,” replied Dhruv.

Grandfather laughed and said-“Do you know what this caterpillar will change into?”

‘Something big, hairy and very ugly?’ asked Dhruv.

Grandfather pointed to a small brown thing stuck to the end of a nearby leaf and said, ‘This is what the caterpillar will change into after sometime.’

Dhruv was surprised. He poked it with a small stick and said, “This looks like it is made of wood. It does not even move.”

Grandfather said, “This is called the Pupa. It does not need to eat.”

Dhruv said, “Wow, this Pupa is so different from the caterpillar.”

“Yes it is,” said Grandfather, “and it will change into a Butterfly after sometime.”

Dhruv asked in surprise, “A beautiful butterfly that can fly? “

“Yes, you are right,” said Grandfather.

“So, the caterpillar is a baby butterfly!” Dhruv thought as he watched a butterfly flying among the flowers.

Read the passage and answer the questions:

1. Where did Dhruv see the caterpillar?
2. Who did Dhruv call out to?
3. Why did Dhruv want to kill the caterpillar?
4. What does the caterpillar change into?
5. Can the Caterpillar fly?
6. What does the Pupa look like?
7. What does the Pupa change into?
8. Who said this, “So, the caterpillar is a baby butterfly!”?
9. Write the opposite of:
 - i. Beautiful: _____
 - ii. Big: _____
 - iii. Before: _____
10. Write the past tense of:
 - i. Reply: _____
 - ii. See: _____

Manja thread

It was January. Many people were flying kites.

Dhruv said to his mother, “Mummy, I too want to fly a kite.”

His mother said, “Come, let’s make a kite first.”

Dhruv clapped his hands in excitement. He loved to make things.

His mother asked him, “Do you want a blue kite or a red kite?”

Dhruv thought for a while and said, “I want a red kite.”

His mother said, “Okay, bring a red colour sheet from your shelf. Also bring a scissor, glue stick, a scale and your sketch pens. I will bring some sticks.”

Together Dhruv and his mother made a red kite. Dhruv made a long red tail for the kite and stuck it on the kite. The kite looked really beautiful.

“Mother, come let us go to the market and buy Manja thread. I want to cut many kites with my kite,” said Dhruv to this mother.

They both got ready and went to the market. On the way, Dhruv saw a bird with a wing stuck in a manja thread hanging from a tree. His mother explained as she set the bird free, ‘Manja thread is very sharp. Flying birds are unable to see the manja thread of a flying kite. They get injured and sometimes even get killed.’

Dhruv did not want to hurt birds. He told his mother, “I don’t want Manja thread. I will fly my kite with normal string.”

Answer the following questions:

1. In which month were many people flying kites?
2. What did Dhruv want to do?
3. With whom did Dhruv make the kite?
4. What was the colour of the kite?
5. Why did Dhruv want Manja thread?
6. Where did Dhruv and his mother go to buy the Manja thread?
7. Where was the bird hanging from?
8. Who freed the bird?
9. Why did Dhruv decide to fly the kite the normal string?
10. Do you think Dhruv is a good boy?

Rain water harvesting

Dhruv had gone to visit his Grandparents in Rajasthan in the month June.

One day he saw his grandparents sweeping and mopping the roof thoroughly. Grandmother explained to him, “Dhruv the rainy season is going to start soon. We need to clean the roof before that.”

Dhruv was surprised. He asked her, “Why is that?”

His Grandmother showed the water outlet in the corner of the roof and asked him, “Do you know what this is?”

Dhruv replied, “Yes, I know this hole is attached to a pipe. The pipe carries all the rain water that falls on the roof downstairs in to the drains.”

Grandmother laughed, “Your answer is only half correct. The rain water is carried into the underground tank through this pipe and not into the drains.”

Dhruv was surprised, “You mean you are collecting the rainwater in the underground tank? Why?”

His Grandmother explained, “As you know in Rajasthan there is very less rainfall. In the summer all rivers and streams will dry. So, we collect and store rainwater for use in the dry seasons. This is called Rainwater Harvesting.”

Dhruv hugged his Grandmother and said, ‘You are very smart.’

Answer the following questions:

1. Where did Dhruv’s Grandparents live?
2. Who were sweeping and mopping the roof?
3. True or False: Rajasthan gets lot of rainfall. ()
4. Where was the rain water being collected?
5. What is Rain water harvesting?
6. Dhruv said this to whom, “You are very smart.”?
7. What is the title of the story?
8. Write the opposite of:

i. After: _____	ii. End: _____
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9. Write the past tense of:

i. See: _____	ii. Carry: _____
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10. Pick another word that means:

i. Carefully: _____	ii. Clever: _____
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Rainbow

One day Harmeet returned from school looking very unhappy. “I was in the library when a rainbow appeared in the sky. I could not see it. All my classmates got to see it,” he said sadly. His Father, Mr.Singh heard him and suggested, “Why don’t we make a rainbow for ourselves?” Harmeet asked in surprise, “Is it possible to do so?”

Mr.Singh assured him, “Yes why not? Now, first tell me when do we see rainbows in the sky?”

Harmeet thought and replied, “Rainbows are seen soon after it rains in the sky, Daddy.”

“You are right. Now, do you see them in the dark or when there is bright sunlight?” asked Mr.Singh.

Harmeet thought a little and answered, “A rainbow never appears when it is dark.”

“So we need raindrops and sunlight to make a rainbow. Look, it is sunny outside. Let us go out,” said Mr.Singh.

“But Daddy, it is not raining,” said Harmeet as he followed his Father to the garden.

“But, we can use the water hose to create some artificial rain, can’t we?” asked Mr.Singh smiling.

Mr. Singh attached the water hose to the tap and opened the tap. He closed the opening of the hose slightly so that the water would spray out and held it in the sun.

And right in front of Harmeet’s eyes a rainbow appeared in the falling water.

“So, here’s your rainbow. Beautiful isn’t it?” asked Mr.Singh to Harmeet.

Harmeet nodded happily. He now knew how to make a rainbow. All he needed was water drops and sunlight.

Answer the questions:

1. Why was Harmeet unhappy?
2. What was Harmeet’s father’s name?
3. Does a rainbow appear in the night?
4. Who taught Harmeet to make a rainbow?
5. What did Grandpa use to create artificial rain?
6. Complete the sentence: Water drops and sunlight is needed to make a _____.
7. Write a suitable title for the story.
8. Pick up two naming words from the passage.
9. Add ‘ing’ and write: i. smile: _____ ii. Fall: _____
10. Write two words that end with ‘ly’.

Dhruv goes shopping

One evening, Dhruv was playing outside his house. Just then his mother called out for him and said, “Dhruv, can you please go to the vegetable shop for me. I need half a kilogram of beans to make curry for dinner.”

Dhruv agreed but pleaded, “Mummy, shall I buy a packet of chips for myself and Suma didi.”

His mother agreed and gave him a cloth bag and Forty-five rupees, Thirty-five rupees for the beans and ten rupees for the chips packet.

Dhruv reached the vegetable shop and asked the vendor to weigh out half a kilogram of beans. When the vendor began weighing the beans, Dhruv noticed that the beans didn't look fresh. He also noticed that the Ladies finger in the basket near the basket of beans looked very fresh. “Mother can make curry with the ladies finger instead of beans,” he thought.

“What is the price of half a kilogram of ladies finger?” he asked the vendor.

“It is Forty rupees,” replied the vendor.

“He will return only five rupees to me. I can't buy the chips,” thought Dhruv sadly.

He asked the vendor to weigh out half a kilogram of ladies finger and paid him the money. The shopkeeper gave him half a kilogram of ladies finger and Five rupees.

Dhruv bought two candies from a candy shop on his way back home and returned home.

His mother was surprised to see ladies finger instead of beans in the bag. But when he told her what had happened, she said, ‘You are growing smarter by the day.’

Answer the questions:

1. Where did Dhruv's mother want him to go?
2. Why did she want half a kilogram of beans?
3. How much money did his mother give Dhruv?
4. Why did Dhruv not buy beans?
5. What is the cost of half a kilogram of ladies finger?
6. How many candies did Dhruv buy?
7. Do you agree that Dhruv is smart?
8. Pick the opposite of:

i. Sell: _____	ii. Far: _____
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9. Write the missing letters:

i. F__rty	ii. Surpr__sed
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10. Write the contraction of:

i. Did not: _____	ii. Cannot: _____
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Solving a Problem

One evening, Dhruv and Naved went to the park to play. They could play for one and half an hour before going to their homes to study.

Dhruv had brought his Football. He wanted to play Football. Naved had brought his Cricket ball and bat. He wanted to play cricket.

They began fighting. They stopped talking to each other and didn't even want to look at each other. Both were feeling sad and angry with each other.

Thirty minutes passed like this. Suddenly, Naved got an idea. He went to Dhruv and said, "Let us not waste time in fighting. Let us play Football for half an hour and Cricket for half an hour."

Dhruv thought this was a good idea. He agreed. He said to Naved, "Yes, fighting is so silly. Your idea is good. Let us do as you said."

They were friends again. They both felt very happy again. They played together for the next one hour.

Answer the following questions:

1. Where did Dhruv and Naved go to play?
2. Who had brought Football to play?
3. What did Naved want to play?
4. How did Naved and Dhruv feel after fighting?
5. Who said this, 'Let us not waste time in fighting.'?
6. How many minutes did Naved and Dhruv play for?
7. When did they feel happy again?
8. Pick two feeling words from the story.
9. Write the past tense of:
 - i. Bring: _____
 - ii. Stop: _____
 - iii. Go: _____
10. What is the moral of the story?

Being Right

One day all the students were taken to the Audio-visual room for a Movie show. Sasha was the last to leave the classroom. On the way out she saw a black pen lying near Ronit's desk. Sasha thought that the pen belonged to Ronit and dropped it in Ronit's bag.

After the movie show all the children were told by the teacher to return to the class. Sasha took the teacher's permission and went to the toilet.

When she returned to the classroom she saw the teacher scolding Ronit.

She asked her classmates what the matter was. They said that the teacher had lost a black pen and had searched everybody's bag. The pen had been found in Ronit's bag. The teacher thought that Ronit had stolen the pen.

Sasha was shocked. It was she who had put the pen in Ronit's bag thinking it belonged to him. Should she keep quiet or tell the truth to the teacher?

She went up to the teacher and told her, "Excuse me!" and told her what had happened.

The teacher said "Sorry!" to Ronit.

Answer the following:

1. Why were all the children taken to the Audio-visual room?
2. Who was the last one to leave the class?
3. Why did Sasha drop the black pen in Ronit's bag?
4. Where did Sasha go after the movie show?
5. Why was the teacher scolding Ronit?
6. Do you think Sasha did the correct thing?
7. Who said sorry to 'Ronit'?
8. Pick the word that means:
 - i. Silent: _____
 - ii. Reality
9. Encircle the correct spelling:

i. Permision	Permission	Permiton
ii. Movy	Movi	Movie
10. Pick the opposite of:

i. Far: _____	ii. first: _____
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To the Rescue

Dhruv liked to watch Doraemon on television. He was a big fan of Doraemon and his magical gadgets.

One day he was returning home with Suma in the evening after playing in the nearby park. Suddenly the current failed and it became very dark.

Dhruv had a small torch with him. He switched it on and both he and Suma made their way home carefully. Suddenly they heard someone shouting, “Help, help!” They realized that the voice was coming from inside a pit on the side of the road. Dhruv shined the torch inside the pit and peeped in. A little boy had fallen into the pit. There were no ropes or ladders around to help the little boy. Dhruv prayed to Doraemon to help the little boy with his magical gadgets. But Doraemon did not come.

Suddenly an idea stuck Suma. She removed her chunni dropped it into the pit. She asked the little boy to hold it tightly. Then Suma and Dhruv pulled up the boy slowly.

They had together saved the little boy.

Answer the following questions:

1. Who was a big fan of Doraemon and his magical gadgets?
2. Where were Dhruv and Suma returning from?
3. Why did it become suddenly dark?
4. Who had a torch?
5. Where had the little boy fallen?
6. Did Doraemon come to help the boy?
7. Who saved the little boy?
8. Pick up word ending with ‘ing’ from the story.
9. Correct the sentence:
Suddenly an idea stuck suma
10. Pick up and write the word that means:
 - i. quickly: _____
 - ii. Devices: _____

When the Fish wanted to sing

One day Ratna returned home from school looking very sad. Her mother asked her the reason for her sorrow. Ratna replied with tears in her eyes, “Mummy, there was a singing competition in our school and I didn’t win any prize in it.”

Her mother hugged her, wiped her tears and said, “It’s okay, dear!”

But Ratna kept crying, “Suma got the first prize. Gurmeet got the second prize. Their voice is so good. Why can’t I sing like them? I am so ashamed of myself.”

Ratna’s mother, smiled and said, “You are very good in swimming. Are Suma and Gurmeet good at swimming?”

Ratna stopped crying and said thoughtfully, “No. They can’t. Nobody in my class can swim as well as I can.”

“So if there was a swimming competition, who would win a prize?” Ratna’s mother asked her.

Ratna replied confidently, “Of course, I will win the prize.”

Ratna’s mother said to her, Suma and Gurmeet’s talent is singing. Your talent is swimming.

“You are right, mother,” agreed Ratna thoughtfully.

Ratna’s mother explained to her, “My dear, you are like a fish that can swim. Should a fish worry that it cannot sing like a Koel?”

Ratna started laughing, “Yes, you are right. If my voice is not good, it doesn’t matter. My talent is swimming. I will practice well and win a prize in swimming.”

Answer the following:

1. Why was Ratna sad?
2. Who got the second prize in the singing competition?
3. Why did Ratna not get any prize in the singing competition?
4. Are Suma and Gurmeet good at swimming?
5. Who will win the prize in the swimming competition?
6. What does Mother compare Ratna to?
7. Give another word for:
 - i. Sadness: _____
 - ii. Ability: _____
8. Write the opposite of:
 - i. Lost: _____
 - ii. Wrong: _____
9. Pick up two words from the story that end with ‘ly’.
10. Pick and write two contractions from the story.

Suma's exams

Grandfather, Suma and Dhruv always watched Television serial after eating dinner every night. They all enjoyed the serial a lot and never missed it.

Suma's exams were going to start in a week. She was preparing for it. After dinner, Dhruv wanted to switch on the Television to watch the serial, but Dhruv's Grandfather called Dhruv for a walk in the park.

Dhruv reluctantly agreed and joined his Grandfather. In the park Dhruv asked his Grandfather, "Grandfather, why are we not watching T.V today? We are going to miss our favourite T.V serial."

Grandfather replied, "Have you forgotten Suma is preparing for her exams? She would have been disturbed by the T.V's sound."

Dhruv said, "It is her exams and not ours. It is not fair that we should not watch T.V."

Grandfather smiled and said, "We should not be selfish."

Dhruv asked, "What is 'selfish', Grandpa?"

"It means thinking about one's own needs without caring for other's needs," replied Grandfather.

"What is wrong in that?" asked Dhruv.

"If Suma and I were to watch television during your exam, would it be right?" asked Grandfather.

Dhruv thought for some time and said, "No."

"If Suma is not able to study properly because of us and fails in her exam, would we be happy?" asked Grandfather.

Dhruv was silent for some time and said, "No."

"So you see if people around us are unhappy, we can't be happy, too. Selfish people make others unhappy and so are unhappy themselves." explained Grandfather.

Answer the following questions:

1. When do we eat dinner?
2. What did Grandfather, Suma and Dhruv do after dinner?
3. When were Suma's exams going to start?
4. Where did Grandfather take Dhruv?
5. Why did Grandfather not let Dhruv watch T.V?
6. What is the full form of T.V?
7. What is the meaning of 'Selfish'?
8. Can we be happy, if people around us are not happy?
9. Write the plural of:
 - i. was: _____
 - ii. is : _____
10. Write the opposite of:
 - i. Unselfish: _____
 - ii. Happy: _____

The best colour

Whitie and Blackie were two rats. Whitie was white in colour and Blackie was black in colour. Whitie was very proud of its white colour. It thought white was the best colour.

One day, Whitie and Blackie were searching for food near some bushes. It saw Blackie and boasted to it, "Look, I am so fair and beautiful. You are dark and ugly."

Suddenly, they heard the scream of an eagle in the sky. Both rushed into the bushes to hide from the eagle.

Blackie was perfectly hidden in the shadows of the bushes due to its black colour. The eagle could not see it.

Whitie was clearly visible in the shadows. The Eagle picked Whitie and flew away.

Answer the following questions:

1. What was the colour of Whitie?
2. What were they searching for?
3. Who was black in colour?
4. Who was proud of its colour?
5. Who did Whitie say this to, "You are dark and ugly."?
6. Which bird's sound is called a 'Scream'?
7. Where did both rush to hide?
8. What saved Blackie from the eagle?
9. Why was Whitie caught by the eagle?
10. Write the past tense of:
 - i. Fly: _____
 - ii. Hear: _____

Mr. Chips and Ms. Chocolate

There was a man, who liked to eat food fried in oil like crunchy chips all the time. All people called him Mr. Chips. He had grown very fat. He had a weak heart and so would grow tired easily.

In the same city lived a woman who liked to eat sweets like chocolates all the time. All people called her Ms. Chocolate. She too was very fat. She had diabetes and so couldn't see very well.

One day Mr. Chips and Ms. Chocolate went for a walk in the park. A dog began chasing them.

Both began running. Mr. Chips was huffing and puffing very soon and had to stop running. The dog came and bit him.

Ms. Chocolate ran but could not see ahead of her and fell into a ditch.

They both went to the doctor. The doctor gave them medicines and advised them to quit eating junk food and instead eat nutritious food. He also told them to do exercise every day.

Answer the following:

1. What did Mr. Chips like to eat?
2. Why did Mr. Chips grow tired easily?
3. Who ate sweets all the time?
4. Why was Ms. Chocolate not able to see very well?
5. Where did Mr. Chips and Ms. Chocolate go one day?
6. Who began chasing them?
7. Who did the dog bite?
8. Where did Ms. Chocolate fall?
9. What did the doctor advise them to do?
10. Pick and write three pronouns from the story.

Who will clean?

Dhruv and Naved studied together in class second. They were very good friends. Koel too, studied in their class. It was Koel's birthday. During recess, she distributed chocolates to all her classmates.

The teacher told all the students, "Children, throw the chocolate wrappers in the dust bin only!"

Dhruv and Naved ate their chocolates and threw the wrapper in the dustbin.

But, some irresponsible students threw the wrappers on the floor of the class.

When Dhruv and Naved came back, they saw a wrapper lying on the floor near Naved's desk.

Naved bent down, picked up the wrapper and threw it in the dustbin.

Dhruv was angry with Naved. He asked him, "Naved, why did you throw the wrapper in the dustbin? It was not you who had dropped it there."

Naved replied, "I don't like to sit in a dirty place."

Answer the following questions:

1. In which class did Naved and Sasha study in?
2. Why did Koel distribute the chocolates to all her classmate?
3. When did Koel distribute the chocolates?
4. Who told the students to throw the wrappers in the dustbin only?
5. Was a wrapper lying near Naved's bench?
6. Why was Dhruv angry with Naved?
7. Why did Naved pick the wrapper and throw it in the dust bin?
8. Write the opposite of:
 - i. Clean: _____
 - ii. Responsible: _____
9. We should throw the chocolate wrappers in the _____ only.
10. Write the past tense of:
 - i. Throw: _____
 - ii. Study: _____

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Dear Sana,

Hope this letter finds you in the best of health.

Yesterday, I went to Sonipat with my parents to attend a wedding.

On the way, in Ghazipur, I saw a big mountain. The place was stinking badly. I was shocked when my mother told me that the mountain was entirely made of garbage from Delhi.

This is so worrying. If we do nothing, there will be more such mountains everywhere. I have decided to recycle and reduce the garbage that our house produces. Hope, you agree with me.

Convey my best wishes to your parents.

Lovingly yours,

Suma

Suma

Read the letter and answer the questions:

1. Who wrote this letter?
2. Who is this letter written to?
3. What is the writer's address?
4. When did Suma go to the wedding?
5. On which date was this letter written?
6. What is the topic of this letter?
7. Where is the 'Mountain of Garbage'?
8. What does Suma plan to do to reduce garbage that her house produces?
9. Write another word for: i. Giving out bad smell: _____ ii. Waste: _____
10. Make corrections and rewrite: i. shalimarbagh: _____ ii. sonipat: _____

Where can we learn from?

It was Pongal, the harvest festival of Tamilnadu.

That day, early in the morning Harmeet saw his neighbour, Ms. Jaishree Iyer, making Rangoli on the floor in front of her door.

He walked up to her and watched fascinated. Iyer had a small bowl with white rice flour powder. She would pick a little of the powder with her thumb and fore finger and would put a little of the powder to make small dots on the floor. Then she would join the dots to make beautiful patterns.

Harmeet asked her, “Aunty, did you learn to make these beautiful designs at your school?”

Ms. Iyer said, “No, dear, I learnt it by watching my mother, grandmothers and aunties making these designs and then practicing them myself”

Harmeet asked. “Really, can one learn this without going to classes, without teachers and textbooks?”

“Yes,” said Ms. Iyer, “You can learn many new things just by watching or listening. But, it is important that you should have interest and practice continuously, then, you too, will be able to this as well as I.”

Answer the following questions:

1. What is Pongal?
2. Who was Ms. Jaishree Iyer?
3. Where was Ms. Jaishree Iyer making the Rangoli?
4. What powder was she using to make the Rangoli?
5. Which fingers did she use to make the Rangoli?
6. From whom did she learn to make Rangolis from?
7. Do we always need classes, teachers and textbooks to learn things?
8. What is important to learn new things?
 - i. Pick two ‘Doing words’ (Verbs) from the passage: i. _____ ii. _____

9. Write a Describing word (Adjective) for: i. _____ dots ii. _____ patterns
10. Write the plural of: i. this: _____ ii. Aunty: _____

Good touch! Bad touch!

Suma travelled to and fro her school in the school van every day. The van driver was a friendly person. He cracked jokes and made the children laugh.

One day he made Suma sit near him in the van. He asked her about her school and gave her a chocolate. Then slowly he put his hands on Suma's thighs and began caressing it.

Suma did not like it. It made her uncomfortable. She remembered her teacher had told her that her body was hers and she can refuse to let others touch it.

So, she pushed his hand away and quickly moved away from him and told him loudly, "Stop! Don't touch me!"

The other children in the van heard her and asked her what the matter was.

The driver laughed and asked her, "What is wrong in that? Do your parents not touch you?"

Suma replied loudly and angrily, "Any touch I do not like is Bad touch!"

The other children in the van asked the van driver to stop the van.

They made Suma sit with them.

Once Suma reached home, she told her parents what had happened. Her parents told her that she had done the right thing. They decided to complaint against the van driver in the school.

Answer the following questions:

1. How did Suma go to and fro her school?
2. How was the Van driver?
3. What did the Van driver give her?
4. Where did the van driver touch Suma?
5. Can you touch others body even if they do not like it?
6. What did Suma do when she felt uncomfortable with the driver's touch?
7. Who said this to whom, "Any touch I do not like is Bad touch!"?
8. What did the other children in the van do?
9. Did Suma tell her parents what happened in the van?
10. What did her parents decide to do?

The most important job

Today is fourteen November. It is Children's day. The school is organizing a Fancy dress competition. The theme for the fancy dress is- 'The most important occupation.'

All the children have come prepared for the fancy dress.

Dhruv has come dressed as a doctor. He says that he will treat patients, cure diseases and save lives.

Harmeet has come dressed as an engineer. He says that he will make machines and make people's life easy.

Sana comes dressed as a teacher. She says she will teach students in schools.

Suma comes dressed as a wrestler. She says she will win medals for the country.

Naved comes dressed as an astronaut. He says he will go into space in a rocket and study space.

Ammu comes dressed as a soldier. She says she will save the country from enemies.

Ratna comes as a farmer. She says she will grow food and feed everyone.

Everyone agrees that all jobs are important but the farmer's job is most important of all.

Answer the following questions:

1. When is Children's day?
2. What was the theme for the Fancy dress competition?
3. Who came dressed as a doctor?
4. What did Harmeet dress as?
5. Where does a teacher teach?
6. How do astronauts' go into space?
7. What does a soldier do?
8. Who grows food and feeds everyone?
9. Write the plural of:
 - i. Enemy: _____
 - ii. Child: _____
10. A _____ is person who wrestles.

