

1. The Ant and The Cricket

- A.** 1. b 2. b 3. b
- B.** silly, spring, complain, cupboard
- C.** 1. The cricket sing all through the summer and spring. 2. Cricket faced starvation and famine. 3. He asked a miserly ant for help. 4. No. 5. Ant asked her to dance now too. 6. Do it yourself.
- D.** night : a time of day between sunset and sunrise
knight : a soldier who served his king;
sing : to make musical sounds, sink : to go to the bottom; wait : to stay in a particular place, weight : how heavy something/someone is ; maid : female servant, made : to create something; feet : part of a body use to walk, run or dance, feat : extraordinary act or achievement; pale : light air colour, pail : a bucket
- E.** Do it yourself.
- F.** 1. feather 2. lion 3. snow 4. grass 5. tortoise

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Do it yourself.

2. A Cure for The King

- A.** 1. a 2. b 3. c
- B.** 1. F 2. T 3. F 4. F 5. T
- C.** 1. Even the greatest doctors in the kingdom could not find anything wrong with him. 2. The king said that he will reward anyone who will cure him. 3. He went to a shop which sold sherbet and bought a jar of the sweet red liquid. Then he went to the palace and asked to see the king. 4. The stranger told the king to not think of an elephant while taking the red medicine otherwise he will not be cured. 5. The more he tried not to think about elephants, the more he thought about them. Images of Ganesh, charging rogue elephants, and little baby elephants following their mothers crowded into his mind. He could think of nothing else. And because he thought of elephants he could not take the Red Medicine. 6. Because he was not able to think about anything other than elephants so he couldn't feel any aches and pains.
- D.** 1. Assertive 2. Interrogative 3. Interrogative 4. Assertive 5. Exclamatory 6. Affirmative 7. Imperative 8. Affirmative
- E.** 1. nails –all are sense organs 2. hair –all are internal organs 3. heart –all are prints 4. water –all are body parts

F., G. and H. Do it yourself.

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A and B. Do it yourself.

C. 1. c 2. e 3. b 4. a 5. d

3. Mother's Day Gift

A. 1. b 2. c 3. a

B. 1. two 2. a book of poems 3. picture frame 4. shabby 5. home

C. 1. Priya was excited as she got into the school bus because she had made a Mother's Day card for her mother herself. She had spent two whole nights cutting, painting and decorating. 2. She had made a picture of a mother hugging a daughter and stuck it on the front. 3. Her father noticed the sadness in her eyes and looked at her questioningly. But Priya just looked away. As soon as they got home. He led Priya firmly to her room and enquired her. 4. He said that "It's certainly not. It's unique because it has been made with your own hands and with a lot of love. So what if you couldn't buy one from a shop. You've made it yourself for your mother, and that certainly makes it priceless. Do you think your mother is so petty that she'll judge your love by the cost of your gift?" 5. Do it yourself.

D. Subject : 1. Supriya 2. Peter 3. He 4. We 5. Gagandeep 6. The Gemini Circus 7. Rohit 8. Sheroo

Predicate : 1. sings sweetly. 2. is a very good bowler. 3. is in the school cricket team. 4. did not go to see the match yesterday. 5. wants to become a computer engineer. 6. is in town today. 7. got an award for honesty. 8. is a naughty dog.

E. 1. spacious 2. comfortable 3. reversible 4. foolish 5. victorious 6. speedy 7. childish 8. tricky 9. rainy 10. sleepy

F. and G. Do it yourself.

H. old, tall, beautiful, pretty, grey, black, short, fat, wheatish

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A. and B. Do it yourself.

C. 2. dusty, duster 3. exploring, explore 4. forgot, forgotten, forgetful, forgetting 5. factual 6. aquarium, aquatic, aqueous, aquariot

4. The Brave Little Raindrop

A. step, quench, wink, trying, raindrop, surely

B. 1. The first rain drop asking from others that who will quench the thirst of the earth first. 2. Because they knew that who ever will go would vanish deep

into the earth. **3.** The earth was all dried without rain. **4.** The brave raindrop said that he would go first to quench the thirst of earth. **5.** The lesson is no matter you are big or small, fat or thin, you can always be a source of inspiration for others.

- C.** black, blue, indigo, rainbow, red yellow
acrobat, circus, clown, seal, tent, tiger
ant, captain, chameleon, danger, develop, handle

D., E. and F. Do it yourself.

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A. Do it yourself.

- B.** 1. le 2. le 3. el 4. el 5. le 6. al 7. el 8. le 9. le 10. al 11. le 12. le 13. al 14. al 15. el 16. le 17. le 18. el 19. le 20. le

5. The Demon and The Dancer

A. 1. c 2. b 3. c 4. b

B. 4, 1, 7, 2, 3, 9, 12, 5, 6, 11, 8, 10

C. 1. The demon of ashes. 2. Bhasmasura went mad with his power. He first went around the forest touching animals on the head and reducing them to ashes. Then he began to touch every living being on the head, turning them to ashes. 3. Yes, she was very clever. He started dancing as gracefully as the young woman. The dancer whirled around and bent down and so did he. She touched her feet and straightened up. He did the same. She did all kinds of actions and Bhasmasura copied each one of them. Then she put her hand on her head and twirled around. Bhasmasura did the same and at once turned to ashes. 4. Foolish, because he was caught in the trick of the dancer.

D. 1. is– transitive 2. smells– intransitive 3. dusts– intransitive 4. showed– intransitive 5. stopped– intransitive 6. moved– transitive 7. scored– intransitive 8. bought– intransitive

E. and F. Do it yourself.

Enrich Your Skills

A. and B. Do it yourself.

C. 1. cry 2. dirty 3. lose 4. right 5. start 6. limp

6. The Bitter Medicine

A. 1. b 2. b 3. b

B. 1. She knew that if she told them, they would immediately take her to the doctor. And she was very afraid of doctors. The doctor would give her injections and make her drink bitter medicine. 2. Do it yourself. 3. When

Revathi's parents came home from work in the evening, they were surprised that Revathi had not rushed to open the door. They hurried to her room where they found her asleep. Suddenly they noticed that her face was red and puffy and there were red marks all over her arms. **4.** She was surprised to find that it was not bitter at all. In fact, it was sweet.

- C.** **1.** "They" are parents and "her" is Revathi. **2.** Because she was unconscious and her face was puffy and there were red marks are over her face. **3.** She told them about what had happened.
- D.** **2.** I am studying hard these days so that I can do well in my exams. **3.** These days, I play with my friends for only an hour in the evening so that I can spend more time in preparing for my exams. **4.** After my exams are over, I am going to join a sports club so that I can learn how to play tennis. **5.** I want to play tennis well so that one day I can become a famous player. **6.** I want to take part in tournaments so that I can win medals for my country.
- E.** **1.** Dolly was a small pup. **2.** Because the boy himself couldn't run as he had an artificial limb and so as the puppy. **3.** Yes, the boy was right in doing so because he very well could understand the plight of puppy as compared to any one else.
- F.** Do it yourself.

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A. and B. Do it yourself.

- C.** fail — succeed, lose — find, retreat — attack, stop — start, slow — fast, encourage — discourage, repair — damage, whisper — shout, untie — tie, curly — straight, drop — catch

7. The Train

- A.** **1.** c **2.** c
- B.** train, passengers, Carrying, precious, frail
- C.** **1.** Over the mountains, Over the plains. Over the river, Here comes the train. **2.** Precious items. **3.** Through day and darkness, Through dusk and dawn. **4.** 'Dusk' is semi-darkness before night, 'dawn' is the time of the day when light first appears as the sun rises.
- D.** **Land :** Train, Car, Bicycle, Truck **Air :** Aeroplane, Helicopter **Water :** Ship, Boat, Steamer
- E.** Do it yourself.
- F.** **1.** dislike **2.** disallow **3.** unable **4.** unfair **5.** unhealthy **6.** uneven **7.** unpack **8.** unemployed **9.** disqualify **10.** unfamiliar
- G.** There were many people at the station. There were many tea stalls there. We bought tickets and boarded the train. As soon as we took our seats the train started. I sit on the window seat and enjoyed the scenes outside. There were

rivers, hills and big and small trees. There was a loud whistle and the train stopped at our station.

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A. and B. Do it yourself.

- C.** 1. Sensible –She is a sensible girl. 2. Eligible –He is eligible for the contest.
3. Incredible –Our country India is incredible.

8. Cake Bake

A. 1. b 2. a 3. a

B. 1. cake 2. toys, kitchen 3. dishes 4. pieces 5. messy 6. furious

C. 1. Riya planned to bake a cake for her mother. 2. She broke her mother's favourite set of dishes. She broke the honey jar and its pieces scattered everywhere. 3. No 4. Mama looked at the messy kitchen and Chotu crying, her face was furious. Riya quickly put the cake in front of her and said, Happy Birthday Mam! Mama's frown turned into a smile. She hugged and kissed Riya. 5. Do it yourself.

D. 1. future 2. present 3. past 4. future 5. present 6. past 7. past 8. future

E. 1. India 2. Ganga 3. Monday 4. Baichung Bhutia 5. Indian foodie 6. New Delhi
7. Diwali 8. November 9. Narendra Modi 10. Venus

F., G. and H. Do it yourself.

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Do it yourself. **A. and B.** Do it yourself.

- C.** 1. FINISH 2. LITTLE 3. SPREAD 4. STEADY 5. START 6. GRAND

9. The Unlucky Face

A. 1. a 2. b 3. a

B. 1. Hirachand 2. Akbar 3. Doctor 4. Guard 5. Birbal

C. 1. Hirachand's punishment was to be hanged. No, it was not right. 2. Hirachand asked Akbar to forgive him. 3. Hirachand said that his fate was more worst than Akbar because he had to die after seeing his face. 4. Do it yourself. 5. When Hirachand told Akbar that his face is worse than that of Akbar then Akbar realized his mistake. 6. Do it yourself.

D. merchant, summoned, mercy, listen, wailed

E. stale meal, already not well, delay in eating, acidity, food poisoning

F. Do it yourself.

G. Hirachand : Look at these gifts I've brought for you.

Mani : What are these papa?

Hirachand : Emperor Akbar has given these gifts to me.

Mani : Oh, Great! Papa.

Hirachand : You like these gifts?

Mani : Very much.

H. reached, came, understood, forgot, asked, happened

I. Do it yourself.

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A. and B. Do it yourself.

C. 2. c 3. a 4. e 5. d

10. The Voice of The Grass

A. 1. Because the grass creeps on the ground. 2. On the sunny hillside, Close by the noise brook, In every shady nook.

B. 1. The grass grows by the dusty roadside. 2. Because children can play and aged poor people can sit in the grass. 3. Yes 4. Yes 5. roadside-hillside, brook, door, play, coming, night

C. 1. away 2. off 3. out 4. up 5. out

D. 1. rises 2. came 3. saw 4. is studying 5. bring

E., F., and G. Do it yourself.

Enrich Your Skills

A. Do it yourself.

B. 1. f 2. c 3. e 4. a 5. b 6. d

11. Heidi Meets Grandfather

A. 1. b 2. c 3. b 4. a

B. 1. She thought it was a beautiful place. She peeped into a shed near the house. She went around the hut to the fir trees. A strong breeze was blowing through them. 2. Uncle, tired; Heidi, kind. 3. Because the woman thought that uncle Alm can't take care of Heidi. 4. Mother's father. 5. Yes, Heidi was very happy.

C. **Underline** : 1. Five sea gulls 2. The children 3. Shahid 4. Everyone in the stadium 5. The microwave **Circle** : 1. flew in the sky 2. built a sand castle on the beach 3. played basketball with Amar 4. cheered after the race 5. became hot

D. 1. looked at the sea carefully. 2. flew the aircraft steadily. 3. was washed by him. 4. is very beautiful. 5. is my mother.

E. 1. A child 2. The boy 3. The dress 4. She 5. He

F., G. and H. Do it yourself.

Enrich Your Skills

A. and B. Do it yourself.

C. Aardvark, Anteater, Antelope, Armadillo

Peacock, Penguin, Porcupine, Puffin

Giraffe, Gnu, Gozelle, Guinea Pig

12. Toy's Escape

A. 1. a 2. b 3. c 4. a

B. 1. T 2. T 3. F 4. F

C. 1. They were trapped in a box in SUNDAY BAZAAR! 2. One of the toy told Springy Rat to nibble the hole and make it big enough for all of them to get out. With a swift move, they were out of the box. 3. A lady came with her grocery bag and the minute she put it down, the toy signalled everyone to run. And the next minute they were in the bag. After a while she picked up her bag, sat in a rickshaw and they were on an unknown journey. 4. Suddenly the toy saw the sweet mart, the butcher and the market just next to Sudha's house. His heart leaped with joy. Without wasting a second, he pulled everyone out of the rickshaw and raced towards the tree next to Sudha's room. He helped everyone climb. Then Huga wrestler and Dino helped him open the window. 5. Do it yourself.

D. 1. glad –gloomy 2. wet –dry 3. big –small 4. soft –hard 5. cold 6. cloudy –sunny

E. and F. Do it yourself.

Enrich Your Skills

A. Do it yourself.

B. 1. Butterflies fly from flower to flower. 2. All insects not hide. 3. The boy bought a new bicycle. 4. I like sweets very much. 5. Raju plays cricket in the evening.

13. The Naughty Boy

A. 1. b 2. c 3. a

B. 1. The naughty boy ran to scotland to see the people there. 2. Then he found that the ground was as hard, That a yard was as long, That a song was as merry, That a cherry was as red, That lead was as weighty, That four score was as eighty, That a door was as wooden 3. From England. 4. That he stood in his shoes.

C. her, our, her, hers, my, Their, our

D. and E. Do it yourself.

Enrich Your Skills : A. and B. Do it yourself.

C. 1. right, write 2. serial, cereal 3. rode, road 4. threw, through 5. stair, stare

14. Sindbad's Second Voyage

A. 1. a 2. b 3. c

B. 1. F 2. F 3. F 4. T 5. T

C. 1. They gave their goods to the people of the islands in exchange of their goods. 2. He climbed a tall tree and looked around to see if I could find any signs of life. 3. While his companions wandered here and there gathering flowers and fruits, he sat down in a shady place and having had a hearty meal, soon fell asleep. 4. As he sat puzzling near the object, a huge black cloud darkened the sky and a sound like rushing water filled the air. He looked up and saw an enormous bird flying down from the sky towards him. 5. The bird left Sindbad in the valley of diamonds which was protected by large and dangerous snakes.

D. 1. drank, are drinking 2. ate, is eating 3. walked, is walking 4. went, is driving 5. got, is still sleeping, is not working

E. 2. scary, terrified, shocked 3. isolated, alone, abandoned 4. angrily, brutally, furiously 5. injured, bruised, damaged

F. Do it yourself.

G. Hope you are fine. Let me tell you about my second voyage. We reached an island to take some rest but I was left alone by my companions. I wandered alone there. Suddenly I saw a huge bird in the sky who swooped down to sit on its egg. I had an idea. I tied my turban to one of the bird's feet and flew with him in the sky. The bird dropped me in a valley of diamonds which was protected by dangerous snakes. I managed to escape from there any how with the help of some merchants and reached home safely. Do write me about your experience, if any. Sindbad

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A. Do it yourself.

B. 1. TRAVEL 2. VEHICLE 3. RIDE 4. WHEEL 5. FLIGHT

15. Birbal and The Washerman

A. 1. b 2. c 3. a

B. 1. d 2. a 3. b 4. e 5. c

C. 1. Because a jealous courtier told Akbar that the washerman had got heat from the light of Akbar's palace. 2. Because Birbal was cooking khichdi. 3.

Birbal was cooking khichdi by sitting near a fire on the ground. Far above it, balanced on tall sticks, is a cooking pot. **4.** Because the pot of the khichdi was tied so high above the ground that the flames of the fire were hardly reaching it. **5.** Birbal was trying to convey this thing that if the flames were not able to reach the pot that was just a few metres away then, how could the washerman receive warmth from the king's palace which is further than this.

- D.** 1. will write 2. will arrive 3. shall go 4. will teach
- E.** 1. The boy was climbing a tree. 2. The cat chased the mouse. 3. She was eating an apple. 4. Lata was learning dance. 5. Her friend did not like dancing. 6. The teacher wrote on the blackboard.

F., G., and H. Do it yourself.

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A. and B. Do it yourself.

- C.** 1. This room is bright, clean and tidy too. 2. Monkeys, bears and dogs like to scratch themselves. 3. No error. 4. No error. 5. Virat, the captain of the team, was injured in the game.

16. The Mountain and The Squirrel

- A.** 1. b 2. a 3. a 4. a
- B.** 1. Mountain 2. Squirrel 3. Mountain 4. Mountain cannot crack a nut while square cannot carry forests on its back. 5. A squirrel can crack a nut while mountain can't. 6. We should not consider other creatures inferior to us all have their own importance.
- C.** 1. quarrel 2. year 3. big 4. place 5. spry 6. back 7. year 8. nut
- D.** 1. untidy 2. unable 3. dislike 4. impossible 5. disappear
- E.** Do it yourself.
- F.** Mountain : Mountain makes a very pretty squirrel track. They can carry forests on their back. Squirrel : The squirrel is a wise animal. It can crack even very hard nuts. Its also helps in the reproduction of new plants.

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A. and B. Do it yourself.

- C.** a. field b. weight c. chief d. friend e. being f. relief g. shriek h. ceiling

17. My Letters, My Memories

- A.** 1. b 2. c 3. b
- B.** 3, 1, 4, 2, 6, 5
- C.** 1. He told him that he can recall those happy moments of his life only through

these letters. Those memories are still alive in them. These are his treasures of happiness. He will never ignore them. A phone call may keep them happy at the moment, but these memories are ever lasting. **2.** He would feel as if his whole world has come to an end. **3.** He realised the hidden love and care in those letters. **4.** Do it yourself.

- D.** 1. insulted 2. jealous 3. sad 4. scared 5. angry 6. happy
- E.** 1. request, ability 2. ability, request 3. request, ability
- F.** Do it yourself.
- G.** Grandpa, your loving grandson, importance of letters, Kaushik

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A. and B. Do it yourself.

- C.** masculine gender – king, uncle, bull
feminine gender – princess, lady, mind
neuter gender – arrow, carrot, picture, rainbow, train, pen, water

18. Yuuki and the Tsunami

- A.** 1. b 2. b 3. b 4. c
- B.** 1. grandfather 2. Tsunami 3. rice
- C.** 1. F 2. F 3. T 4. T
- D.** 1. His grandfather because they were preparing to celebrate the rice festival that day and it was Yuuki's grandfather who taught them how to grow rice. 2. Now I remember what Grandfather had said! The sea would turn black and run away from the shore just before....just before.... a tsunami. 3. There was an earthquake and the sea turned black. In this way Yuuki came to know about the Tsunami. He burnt the rice crop so that the villagers climb the mountain. 4. The sea turned black and pulls away from the land just before a Tsunami.
- E.** "Mother, father" Neelam said, "I have got a fire engine." "What's this?" called mother, somewhat confused by the noise. "We got a fire engine, mother, come and see it."
- G. and H.** Do it yourself.
- F.** a. toys b. ladies c. churches d. tomatoes e. watches f. keys g. puppies h. berries i. flies j. ponies