

3. The King and his Hawk

WORKSHEET 1

COMPREHENSION

Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

Once upon a time, there was a kind and compassionate woman who lived in a small village. One day, she found a mongoose lying outside her house. Feeling sorry for the poor creature, she took him in and cared for him as her own pet.

The woman treated the mongoose with love and affection, and soon they became the best of friends. They would play together and spend hours in each other's company.

One day, while the woman was away, a snake slithered into her house. The mongoose, seeing the snake, attacked and killed it, protecting the woman's home.

When the woman returned, she saw the mongoose covered in blood and assumed that he had attacked and killed her baby. In a fit of rage, she struck the mongoose with a stick and killed him.

Later, the woman found her baby safe and sound, and she realised her mistake. She felt guilty and mourned the loss of her dear friend, the mongoose.

A. Answer the following questions.

1. Who found the mongoose outside her house?
2. What did the woman do when she found the mongoose?
3. What did the mongoose do when the snake entered the woman's house?
4. What did the woman do when she saw the mongoose covered in blood?
5. What did the woman realise later?

B. Fill in the blanks.

1. The woman found a mongoose _____ her house.
2. The woman treated the mongoose with _____ and affection.
3. The mongoose attacked and killed the _____ that entered the woman's house.
4. The woman assumed that the mongoose had attacked and killed her _____.
5. The woman realised her mistake and felt guilty for killing her dear friend, the _____.

GRAMMAR

A. Underline the adjectives in the following sentences and write their kind.

1. Narendra is the most efficient designer. _____
2. What a magnificent player he is! _____
3. He is my elder brother. _____
4. Which cricketer do you find better? _____
5. Arvind has several friends. _____

B. Underline the adjectives and state if they are Positive [P], Comparative [C] or Superlative [S].

1. Lead is heavier than any other metal. []
2. Hari is the most handsome boy. []
3. Seema is as beautiful as Rashmi. []
4. No other person is as good as Anuj. []
5. Uttar Pradesh is more populous than Bihar. []
6. It is the most interesting book I have read. []

WORKSHEET 3

VOCABULARY AND WRITING

A. Each animal or bird has a particular sound and walk. Link them in the columns given below.

Animal/Bird	Sound	Walk
1. Snake	(a) neigh	(i) hop
2. Frog	(b) hiss	(ii) fly
3. Horse	(c) chirp	(iii) waddle
4. Bird	(d) quack	(iv) slither
5. Duck	(e) croak	(v) gallop

B. Do you like to have pets? If you had to choose between a cat and a dog, what would you keep? Write three sentences about your choice.
