

The Monkeys go on a Fast

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- Enjoying humour
- Reading, listening and understanding the lesson
- Answering questions orally and in writing
- Vocabulary—Words, meanings, spellings, pronunciation and crossword puzzle
- Grammar—Learning about different kinds of nouns
- Learning to converse

WARM UP

- First, let the students do the activity given in Warm Up.
- Explain what a fast is and how it is beneficial for us.
- Ask the children to name the favourite food of monkeys.

Outcome: Learning what a fast is.

READING

- Ask the students to read aloud the lesson in turns.
- Correct their pronunciation.
- Explain the lesson.
- Ask questions like, “Was the method of keeping fast by the monkeys right?” “What element do you find most humorous in the story?”

Outcome: Read aloud, listen and understand words, meanings, spellings and pronunciation.

READ AND UNDERSTAND

- Let the students do Exercises A and B on their own. Announce the correct answers so that the students can check and correct their answers.
- Discuss Exercise C. Write the correct answers on the blackboard after discussion. The students can transcribe the answers in their notebooks.
- HOTS—Discuss the question. Ask the students if they have ever kept a fast.

Outcome: Reading and understanding, and answering questions orally and in writing.

GRAMMAR IS FUN

- Explain nouns—Recall what has been learnt earlier regarding proper and common nouns.
- Explain with the use of blackboard and given examples that proper nouns are written with capital letters because they are special to a particular person, place, etc. Also, explain countable and uncountable common nouns.
- Explain collective nouns for groups of one thing/person/animal/bird, etc. Some examples are given in the text. Teachers can access more from a thesaurus or the internet.
- Explain abstract nouns are used for those ideas, thoughts, feelings, qualities, experience or states which are intangible.
- Exercises E, F, G, H and I. Do each exercise orally first and then ask the students to mark the correct answers in their notebooks. Announce the correct answers so that the students can correct their answers.

Outcome: Learning proper and common countable and uncountable, collective and abstract nouns and their usage.

LET'S SPELL

- Let the students identify the correct spellings and circle them.
- Announce the correct spellings so that the students can check and correct them.

Outcome: Learning correct spellings, meanings and pronunciation.

WORD POWER

- Make four groups in the class. Let each group answer one question of the crossword puzzle.

Outcome: Solving a crossword puzzle.

LET'S LISTEN

- Read the questions twice. Let the students tick (✓) the correct answers.
- Announce the correct answers so that the students can check and correct their answers.

Outcome: Listening attentively, understanding and answering questions.

LET'S SPEAK

- Read the words aloud.
- Explain the pronunciation of *z* clearly as this is a common mistake in India.
- Ask the students to follow each word aloud. Correct them wherever required.

Outcome: Differentiating between *z* and *z* sounds.

LET'S CONVERSE

- Select two students as Rini and Mini.
- Enact the conversation in the class.
- Involve the class in assessing and correcting the enactment.

Outcome: Learning to converse—pronunciation, pause, emphasis and inflexion correctly.

WRITING SKILLS

- Help the students in writing the lines. Some students may not have kept a fast. Let them imagine and then write.

Outcome: Enhancement of one's writing skills.

ACTIVITY/PROJECT

- This is a very humorous poem. The students would love it. Let them recite in the class.

Outcome: Recitation of poem.