

2. Birbal's Cleverness

WORKSHEET 1

COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage carefully.

An old lady lived alone in her house. She became blind, so she called a doctor. When the doctor came, he looked at her carefully. He said that her blindness can be cured. The old lady told him that if she is cured, she will pay him a large fee. But if she was not cured, she would pay him nothing. The doctor agreed.

He began to come daily to treat her. As he looked around the house, he saw that the old lady had some very good furniture and other things in her house. The doctor became greedy. Every day, he took away some of her furniture.

One day, the doctor finally cured the old lady. She could see! The doctor asked for his fees but the lady refused to pay. She said that her cure was not complete. The doctor was very angry. He took the case to court. The judge asked the old lady why she would not pay. She said that she was not cured. She could not see her furniture.

The truth finally came out. The doctor was ashamed of his greed and his theft. The judge gave his judgement in favour of the old lady.

A. Fill in the blanks.

1. An old lady lived _____ in her house.
2. The doctor became _____.
3. She said that the cure was not _____.
4. The doctor took the case to _____.
5. The _____ finally came out.

B. Read the story and answer the following questions.

1. Why did the old lady call a doctor?
2. What did she say she would give him if she was cured?
3. What did the doctor take away from the old lady's house?
4. Why did the old lady not pay the doctor's fees?
5. Why did she tell the judge she was not cured?

GRAMMAR

A. Fill in the blanks with appropriate collective nouns from the box.

pile team swarm shoal fleet

1. A _____ of bees attacked the old man.
2. The children looked at the _____ of ships sailing by.
3. A _____ of books is kept on my table.
4. Sharat saw a _____ of football players in the ground.
5. The fisherman caught a _____ of fish in the net.

B. Circle nouns in the common gender and underline nouns in the neuter gender.

parent sun pen laptop steel patient map doctor desk friend

WORKSHEET 3

VOCABULARY AND WRITING

A. Match the words that go together.

Column A

1. brave
2. beautiful
3. crunchy
4. delicious
5. playful
6. green

Column B

- (a) lady
- (b) pizza
- (c) child
- (d) soldier
- (e) chips
- (f) trees

B. Imagine Birbal visited your class and met all the children. As the class monitor, you took his interview. Complete the interview.

You : Sir, welcome to class _____

Birbal : Thank you.

You : Sir, you are respected by all, especially by Emperor _____. Do you enjoy all the importance _____?

Birbal : Oh yes. But sometimes I get _____.

You : How do you get out of _____?

Birbal : Well, I have to _____.

You : We have heard about your _____.

Birbal : Thank you.

You : How many other trusted _____ are part of Emperor Akbar's Navratnas?

Birbal : _____

You : Do you enjoy your work?

Birbal : _____

You : What message would you like to give to the students of our class?

Birbal : _____

You : Sir, we will always remember that. Thank you for visiting our class.

Birbal : You are welcome. I enjoyed talking _____.