

# 5. The Magic Paintbrush

## Worksheet 1

### COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Mela Ram was a painter who lived in a village. He painted pictures on the walls of the village houses and did minor repair jobs. He was paid a small amount for this. The villagers did not pay much attention to him as his work was not considered important. One day, however, a car broke down near the village. A well-dressed man and a lady came into the village with their driver as they needed help to repair the car. Mela Ram was painting and they stopped to ask him. But suddenly, the lady stepped forward and asked him, "What is your name?" Mela Ram turned around and gave his name. He asked them what they wanted. The driver explained their problem and Mela Ram said he would take a look. Soon he had fixed a loose wire in the car and it was ready to move. But the lady began to ask him about his paintings. He showed them some of the houses he had painted using vegetable dyes and earthy colours. The couple went away but returned the next day with lots of materials - canvas, paint, brushes and easel. They gave Mela Ram painting work, and today he is famous for his wonderful work. He is also fairly rich now because people buy his paintings. But he is happiest because the villagers now treat him with great love and respect!

**A. Select the words from the passage that mean the following.**

- |             |       |              |       |
|-------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| 1. Artist   | _____ | 2. Small     | _____ |
| 3. Repaired | _____ | 4. Came back | _____ |

**B. Answer the following questions.**

1. What work did Mela Ram do?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Why did the man and the lady come into the village?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What did Mela Ram do for them?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Why did they return the next day?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. What made Mela Ram happiest?

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**C. Complete the sentences.**

1. The villagers did not \_\_\_\_\_ to him as his work was \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Soon he had \_\_\_\_\_ in the car and it was ready to move.
3. He showed them some of the houses he had painted using \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Mela Ram is \_\_\_\_\_ for his \_\_\_\_\_ work.

## Worksheet 2

### GRAMMAR

**A. Fill in the verbs using the form of the future tense mentioned.**

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ the story during the library period. [tell - simple future]
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ from Nainital by then. [return - future perfect]
3. At 7 p.m., we \_\_\_\_\_ for about six hours. [work - future continuous perfect]
4. Seema \_\_\_\_\_ for school in 10 minutes. [leave - future continuous/progressive]
5. Madan \_\_\_\_\_ the bus for Bareilly tomorrow. [take - simple future]

**B. Use the modals given in the box to complete the sentences.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ I have some more coffee please?
2. They \_\_\_\_\_ go to the concert tomorrow.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ we play in the park?
4. Noni \_\_\_\_\_ win the match if she practised.
5. There \_\_\_\_\_ be a special class on Monday.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ you find the book you lost?

## Worksheet 3

### VOCABULARY AND WRITING SKILLS

**A. Give synonyms of the words given below.**

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|----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| 1. Old   | _____ | 2. Injury | _____ |
| 3. New   | _____ | 4. Wail   | _____ |
| 5. Quest | _____ |           |       |

**B. Add suitable punctuation in the sentences.**

1. hey thats my book

\_\_\_\_\_

2. sushil hasnt left as yet for goa

\_\_\_\_\_

3. i posted the letter to mr dugal on monday

\_\_\_\_\_

4. she said we need more wool to complete this

\_\_\_\_\_

5. has he gone to fetch the charts

\_\_\_\_\_

**C. Find the words from the clues given below.**

1. A large container for water with a handle, starts with 'b'.
2. Something sweet added to tea, coffee, etc.
3. A way covered with tar to go from one place to another.
4. People who are related to one another, ends with 'y'.
5. The month that follows the one starting with an 'N'.

**D. Write an acrostic with the word LAUGH.**