

1. Friendship, the Essence of Life

WORKSHEET

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COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Nobody wanted to play with Bunty. He was a bully. He ate up Rajiv's lunch. He broke Diya's pencil box. He pulled away the chair and made Shahid fall down and hurt himself. He would not give the bat to the other children when they played cricket. He pushed Samir off the swing and pulled Priya's hair. He even tore the pages of Umesh's books! Everyone was fed up. But Bunty was big and strong and rude. So they were all afraid of him.

Then a new boy named Shreyas came to the class. He was tiny and could not walk. So he used crutches to help him walk. One day Bunty kicked one of his crutches and little Shreyas fell, hitting his head on a desk. He was bleeding. Umesh ran to call the teacher, Miss Bhushan.

Miss Bhushan took Shreyas immediately to the hospital. The children waited anxiously. Bunty sat at his desk, terrified. No one spoke to him. When Miss Bhushan returned with Shreyas, he had a bandage on his head. With them was a large man in the uniform of an army officer. It was Major Khare, Shreyas' father. Miss Bhushan and the students told Major Khare what had happened.

Major Khare looked at Bunty and said, "Come here, my boy." Bunty shivered as he went up to Major Khare. "Bunty, brave people do not bully others, especially those who are weaker or helpless. Only cowards do that. Brave people protect others and learn to be polite and gentle. That is why people love them and they have friends. Come and make friends with my son, Shreyas. You have a strong body, but he has a strong mind. So he will forgive you." Bunty hung his head in shame. Then he saw a small hand held out to him. Bunty took Shreyas' hand and apologised. The class cheered. Since that day, Bunty has bullied no one and he and Shreyas are best friends.

A Answer the following questions.

1. Give two examples of Bunty's bullying.

2. Why were the students afraid of Bunty?

3. Write three sentences about the new boy in class.



4. Who came back with Miss Bhushan and Shreyas?

5. Who bullies weak and helpless people?

B Fill in the blanks with suitable words from the story.

1. Bunty kicked one of Shreyas' _____ and he fell.
2. Miss Bhushan took Shreyas to the _____.
3. Major Khare wore the _____ of an _____.
4. Brave people _____ others and learn to be _____ and _____.
5. Bunty took Shreyas' hand and _____.



GRAMMAR

A Select suitable question tags from the box and complete the following sentences.

hasn't he can't you isn't it won't they has she
shouldn't we aren't you didn't he does she didn't you

1. You can drive a car, _____?
2. She doesn't speak Bengali, _____?
3. Ravi attended the party, _____?
4. It is a good film, _____?
5. Misha hasn't gone home already, _____?
6. Krishna has hurt himself, _____?
7. You are very late, _____?
8. You went to school yesterday, _____?
9. We should sit here, _____?
10. They will play in the park, _____?

B Write what the following are - Sentences [S], Phrases [P] or Clauses [C].

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| 1. if I were the prime minister | [|] |
| 2. Ramesh jogs early morning every day. | [|] |
| 3. as soon as | [|] |
| 4. in the park | [|] |
| 5. when the old man crossed the road | [|] |



VOCABULARY AND WRITING

A Make sentences with the following words.

1. attention: _____
2. suggestion: _____
3. celebration: _____
4. action: _____
5. station: _____

B Select one word from the box for each of the following groups of words.

dictionary miser orphanage veterinarian encyclopaedia spendthrift

1. someone who doesn't spend money _____
2. someone who spends too much money _____
3. a doctor who treats animals _____
4. a book in which you find word meanings _____
5. a book with information about everything _____
6. a place where children without parents live _____

C Complete the following sentences with suitable words of your own.

1. _____ is my best friend. He/she is special because _____

2. I think I am a good friend because _____

