

2. Goa—A Tourist's Paradise



Worksheet 1

COMPREHENSION

Most of the grandmothers are lovely, kind and helpful old ladies, but not this one. She spent all day and every day sitting in her chair by the window, and she was always complaining, grouching, grumbling, griping about something or other. Never once, even on her best days, had she smiled at George and said, “Well, how are you this morning, George?” or “Why don’t you and I have a game of Snakes and Ladders?” or “How was school today?” She didn’t seem to care about other people, only about herself. She was a miserable old grouch.

George went into the kitchen and made a cup of tea for grandma with a teabag. He put one spoon of sugar in it and no milk. He stirred the sugar well and carried the cup into the living room.

—Roald Dahl

A. Read the above passage and answer the following.

1. What are the most grandmothers like?
2. What was George’s grandmother like?
3. What did George make for his grandmother?
4. Where did George’s grandmother sit?

B. Underline the verbs in the following sentences.

1. She was a miserable old grouch.
2. George went into the kitchen.
3. George stirred the sugar well.
4. She only cared about herself.
5. Most of the grandmothers are very kind.

C. Give the antonyms (opposites) of the following words.

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| 1. kind | _____ | 2. helpful | _____ |
| 3. miserable | _____ | 4. hot | _____ |
| 5. best | _____ | | |

Worksheet 2

GRAMMAR

A. Add the correct collective nouns from the Help Box to the following sentences.

committee army pride parliament jury flock

1. Alexander's _____ had reached the borders of India.
2. The _____ decided that the prisoner was not guilty.
3. Mr Lokesh said that the papers had been given to the _____.
4. The channel reported that the proceedings in _____ were stopped today.
5. The shepherd was chasing his _____ of sheep.
6. The _____ of lions wandered out of the forest in search of food.

B. Add selected Abstract and Material nouns to the following sentences.

silver laziness Happiness gold enthusiasm tea milk

1. Sujit drank _____ before he went to play in the park.
2. _____ cannot come only from owning a lot of things.
3. Mrs Mehta preferred jewellery made of _____ to that made of _____.
4. Hemant's _____ for the competition led us all to work hard.
5. The teacher scolded Karan for his _____.
6. Will you have some _____?

C. Match the words in Column 1 with the opposite gender in Column 2.

- | Masculine | Feminine |
|-------------|--------------|
| 1. bachelor | (a) filly |
| 2. brother | (b) witch |
| 3. colt | (c) sister |
| 4. monk | (d) hind |
| 5. stag | (e) spinster |
| 6. wizard | (f) nun |

D. State if the following nouns are Common [C] or Neuter [N] Gender.

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|---------------|-------|----------------|-------|
| 1. Journalist | _____ | 2. Chair | _____ |
| 3. Doctor | _____ | 4. Chairperson | _____ |
| 5. Saucepan | _____ | 6. Student | _____ |
| 7. Fan | _____ | 8. Suit | _____ |
| 9. Driver | _____ | 10. Window | _____ |

E. Give the plurals of the following words.

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| 1. Loaf | _____ | 2. Piano | _____ |
| 3. Watch | _____ | 4. Scarf | _____ |
| 5. Fox | _____ | 6. Potato | _____ |

Worksheet 3

VOCABULARY AND WRITING

A. Select words from the box and complete the sentences.

curious sea languages toothbrush seashells

1. We found a lot of _____ on the beach.
2. People who live near the _____ eat a lot of fish.
3. I forgot to pack my _____ when we went on a holiday.
4. We were _____ to know about Goa.
5. People speak several _____ in Goa.

B. Find words from the lesson which mean the following.

1. People who come to see a place from other places _____
2. The number of people that are able to read and write in an area _____
3. Famous, well-known _____
4. To make something look beautiful by adding ornaments to it _____
5. People who go out to sea to catch fish, etc. _____

C. Write six sentences about Delhi as if you were coming to see it as a tourist. Some helping words are given below to select.

Tourist bus — Red Fort — Purana Quila — the zoo — India Gate — Rashtrapati Bhawan — trees
— circles — crowds — markets

D. Name the following.

1. Three places you want to visit _____
2. Three sports you enjoy _____
3. Three famous people you want to meet _____
4. Three traditional dishes you enjoy _____
5. Three languages you want to learn _____