

3. My Elder Brother

WORKSHEET

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COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Papa had to go to Lucknow. So Mummy was alone at home. Not really alone, because my brother, Rahul, and my sister, Rajni, and I were at home. But Papa was worried because, according to him, we were children and only Mummy was sensible. Papa's name was Ramesh and Mummy's was Sujata, but our neighbours called them Mr and Mrs Pathak.

My name is Rohit and I am six years old. I even go to school, so I know a lot of things. I see things on the TV and read books, so that is why I know Papa was worried. He told Mummy to be careful, to lock all the doors firmly, to keep a torch near her at night and also the phone. He also told her to take good care of all of us. I thought this was a lot of work for Mummy. Rahul was busy with his friends and his homework. Rajni was just a baby. So I decided to help.

At night, I went around the house with Mummy to check that all the windows and doors were locked. There was a stick to hold up a plant on the balcony. I quietly hid that under my bed, just in case I had to catch a thief or someone at night. We had dinner. Mummy told us a lovely story about a man called Alibaba. Then we all fell asleep.

I did not know what woke me up. Perhaps it was the moonlight shining through the window. However, as I awoke, I heard soft sounds of someone near the stairs inside the house! I could feel my heart beating faster. My mouth was dry. Then I remembered the stick. I got up quietly and picked it up. Rahul was fast asleep and didn't wake up when I whispered his name. Holding the stick, and with a fast-beating heart, I tiptoed out of the room towards the stairs. As I reached it, I saw something white. Then all of a sudden, a lot of things happened. I hit at the white thing with all my might. It streaked past me to the ventilator near the landing on the stairs, knocking me down. I screamed. The lights came on. Mummy and Rahul came running. Rajni was yelling somewhere. I slid and bumped down the steps to the landing. I had twisted my ankle. And all the commotion was because of our neighbour's cat!

A Answer the following questions.

1. Where was Rohit's father going?

2. What were Rohit's parents called by the neighbours?

3. What did Rohit keep under his bed?

4. What sound did Rohit hear when he awoke?

5. What was the cause of the commotion at night?

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

1. There was a _____ near the _____ on the stairs.
2. Perhaps it was the _____ shining through the _____ that woke up Rohit.
3. The cat _____ past Rohit in the dark, _____ him down.
4. All the _____ was because of the _____ cat!

C Write five sentences about Rohit.

GRAMMAR

A Underline the adjectives in the following sentences and write their kind.

1. Narendra is the most efficient designer.
2. What a magnificent player he is!
3. He is my elder brother.
4. Which cricketer do you find better?
5. Arvind has several friends.

B Write if the adjectives in the following sentences are used in an Attributive [A] or Predictive [P] way.

1. Rahul is a good boy.
2. Prabha Shankar is intelligent.
3. Few people are still working in office.
4. The beauty of nature is undefined.
5. He is very clever.

C Underline the adjectives and state if they are Positive [P], Comparative [C] or Superlative [S].

1. Lead is heavier than any other metal.
2. Hari is the most handsome boy.
3. Seema is as beautiful as Rashmi.
4. No other person is as good as Anuj.
5. Uttar Pradesh is more populous than Bihar.
6. It is the most interesting book I have read.

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VOCABULARY AND WRITING

A Write the antonyms of the following words.

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| 1. Finish | _____ | 2. Open | _____ |
| 3. False | _____ | 4. Weep | _____ |
| 5. Strong | _____ | 6. Give | _____ |

B Make sentences using the following words.

1. profession: _____
2. finale: _____
3. dolphin: _____
4. offend: _____
5. confusion: _____

C Change one letter in each of the following words to make a new word.

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| 1. Vain | _____ | 2. Train | _____ |
| 3. Cream | _____ | 4. Pail | _____ |
| 5. Mow | _____ | 6. Spare | _____ |