

## 7. Brave Rani Lakshmibai

### Worksheet 1

#### COMPREHENSION

[This extract is from The Wonderful Wizard of Oz about a cyclone that hits Dorothy's house in North America.]

Toto (the little black dog) jumped out of Dorothy's arms and hid under the bed, and the girl started to get him. Aunt Em, badly frightened threw open the trap door in the floor and climbed down the ladder into the small, dark hole. Dorothy caught Toto at last and started to follow her aunt. When she was halfway across the room, there came a great shriek from the wind, and the house shook so hard that she lost her footing and sat down suddenly upon the floor.

Then, a strange thing happened. The house whirled around two or three times and rose slowly through the air. Dorothy felt as if she were going up in a balloon. The north and south winds met where the house stood, and made it the exact centre of the cyclone. In the middle of a cyclone, the air is generally still, but the great pressure of the wind on every side of the house raised it up higher and higher, until it was at the very top of the cyclone; and there, it remained and was carried miles and miles away as easily as you could carry a feather.

Toto did not like it. He ran about the room, now here, now there, barking loudly, but Dorothy sat quite still on the floor and waited to see what would happen.

—L Frank Baum

#### **A. Read the above extracts and answer the following questions.**

1. Where did Toto hide and why?
2. What did Aunt Em do when the cyclone hit the house?
3. What was the strange thing that happened?
4. What did Toto do as he did not like cyclone?
5. Why did Dorothy sit still on the floor?

#### **B. Describe what happened to the house in the cyclone.**

#### **C. Fill in the blanks below with suitable actions words from the passage.**

1. Toto \_\_\_\_\_ out of Dorothy's arms.
2. Aunt Em \_\_\_\_\_ the trap door open.
3. She \_\_\_\_\_ down the ladder.
4. The house \_\_\_\_\_ very hard.
5. Then, a strange thing \_\_\_\_\_.

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# Worksheet 2

## GRAMMAR

### A. Write the verbs in the form of past tense given in the brackets.

- 1 They \_\_\_\_\_ at the river beneath them. [look: Past Progressive]
- 2 We \_\_\_\_\_ to the park this morning. [go: Simple Past]
- 3 The animals \_\_\_\_\_ water from the river. [drink: Past Progressive]
- 4 The king \_\_\_\_\_ the Dragon's treasure. [attack: Simple Past]
- 5 The river \_\_\_\_\_ silently. [flow: Past Progressive]
- 6 Someone \_\_\_\_\_ at the door. [knock: Past Progressive]

### B. Write the simple future tense of the following verbs (use 'will'/'shall' or 'going to').

- 1 The athlete \_\_\_\_\_ across the field later. (run)
- 2 She \_\_\_\_\_ on the river bank. (sleep)
- 3 She was sure that the white rabbit \_\_\_\_\_ to himself again. (talk).
- 4 She \_\_\_\_\_ never \_\_\_\_\_ such a sight again. (see)
- 5 The dinner \_\_\_\_\_ at seven o'clock tonight. (serve)

### C. Add the simple form of tenses to the blanks below for each verb. (one is done for you)

Present	Past	Future
1. sit	sat	will sit
2. eat	_____	_____
3. _____	flew	_____
4. _____	_____	will stay
5. think	_____	_____
6. pray	_____	_____

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# Worksheet 3

## VOCABULARY AND WRITING

**A. Give the meanings of the following words and use them in sentences of your own.**

1. amazing \_\_\_\_\_
2. unfortunately \_\_\_\_\_
3. pension \_\_\_\_\_
4. encourage \_\_\_\_\_
5. excitement \_\_\_\_\_

**B. What is the difference in the meaning of two words underlined in each pair of sentence?**

1. (a) It was very dark in the room.  
(b) She wore a dark-blue dress.
2. (a) There was a single rose on the bush.  
(b) He rose slowly from the chair.
3. (a) He ran about the room looking for his shoes.  
(b) Father told me about the Book Fair.
4. (a) She sat still when the storm came.  
(b) He is still working hard on this lesson.
5. (a) The kitten sat on top of the cupboard.  
(b) Karan was spinning a top.

**C. Write a few sentences about anything which made you afraid and how you overcame your fear.**

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