

## 4. New Team, New Games

# WORKSHEET 1

### COMPREHENSION

**Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.**

Ranji had been less than a month in Rajpur when he discovered the pool in the forest. It was the height of summer, and the school had not yet opened. Having made no friends in this semi-hill station, he wandered about a good deal by himself in the hills and forests that stretched away on all sides of the town. It was very hot at that time of the year, and Ranji walked around in his vest and shorts, his brown feet white with the chalky dust that rose from the ground. The earth was parched, the grass brown, the trees listless, hardly stirring, waiting for a cool wind or a refreshing shower of rain. It was on such a day - a hot, tired day - that Ranji found a pool in the forest. The water had a gentle translucency, and you could see the smooth, round pebbles at the bottom of the pool. A small stream emerged from a cluster of rocks to feed the pool. During the monsoon, the stream would be a gushing torrent, cascading down from the hills, but during the summer, it was barely a trickle. The rocks, however, held the water in the pool, and it did not dry up like the pools in the plains.

From: 'The Fight' by Ruskin Bond)

#### A. Answer the following questions.

1. Where did Ranji live when he found the pool?

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2. Why did he wander around the hills and forests?

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3. What was the season when he had his holidays?

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4. How was the pool fed?

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5. What could he see at the bottom of the pool?

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**B. Match the words in Column A with their meanings in Column B.**

**Words**

**Meaning**

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| 1. Torrent     | (a) moving                                     |
| 2. Discovered  | (b) dried and thirsty                          |
| 3. Stirring    | (c) something through which you can see partly |
| 4. Cascading   | (d) large quantity of water rushing along      |
| 5. Parched     | (e) found out                                  |
| 6. Translucent | (f) flowing in a strong rush from a height     |

## WORKSHEET 2

### GRAMMAR

**A. Add a suitable personal pronouns to complete the following sentences.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ am going to the market. Do \_\_\_\_\_ need anything from there?
2. Have \_\_\_\_\_ been informed about the function?
3. Mr Malik has a puppy. \_\_\_\_\_ was given to \_\_\_\_\_ by the watchman.
4. This house is empty. \_\_\_\_\_ belonged to my aunt. \_\_\_\_\_ has gone to Jaipur.
5. Miss Veena has called all the students. \_\_\_\_\_ said \_\_\_\_\_ should meet \_\_\_\_\_ at once.
6. Where are Vinay and Deepak? Will \_\_\_\_\_ please give these bags to \_\_\_\_\_?
7. Ask Sudhir if \_\_\_\_\_ has had \_\_\_\_\_ lunch.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ all went to the picnic in a bus. \_\_\_\_\_ was a very old bus.

**B. Change the words in the brackets into possessive pronouns.**

1. Mr Lahoti stays here but this is not [Mr Lahoti's] house.
2. Are these shoes [belonging to you]?
3. Someone asked Hemant if the crayons were [Hemant's].
4. Please give these books to Yami as they are [Yami's].

**C. Complete this paragraph using the right pronouns.**

Lions were roaming freely on the plains. There was no enclosure for \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_ seemed to know the boundaries \_\_\_\_\_ territory. When \_\_\_\_\_ all went there for a holiday, \_\_\_\_\_ had to be very careful not to disturb \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ habitat. \_\_\_\_\_ warned Keshav because \_\_\_\_\_ was very naughty. \_\_\_\_\_ would not normally obey, but even \_\_\_\_\_ was very careful. The lions watched all of \_\_\_\_\_, as \_\_\_\_\_ prowled around. The lioness seemed more alert than the lion because \_\_\_\_\_ tail kept twitching and \_\_\_\_\_ snarled at \_\_\_\_\_ whenever \_\_\_\_\_ took a photograph of \_\_\_\_\_ pride. The cubs were delightful. \_\_\_\_\_ must see \_\_\_\_\_ pictures. \_\_\_\_\_ will know how much \_\_\_\_\_ enjoyed the trip! \_\_\_\_\_ was a real treat!

# WORKSHEET 3

## VOCABULARY AND WRITING

**A. Write words following the instructions given below for each pair of words.**

1. Spelled alike but pronounced differently: (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Spelled differently but pronounced alike: (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Collective noun for soldiers and ants: \_\_\_\_\_
4. A word that is a collective noun for lions and also means vanity:  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. The word 'keen' has two meanings: (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_

**B. The following words are 'kangaroo' words. Find the other word/words hidden inside them.**

1. TOGETHER: \_\_\_\_\_
2. BAGGAGE: \_\_\_\_\_
3. MESSAGE: \_\_\_\_\_
4. KINGFISHER: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. If you have a team of players for a game, name three qualities you would like them to have.**

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