

# MY ENGLISH READER

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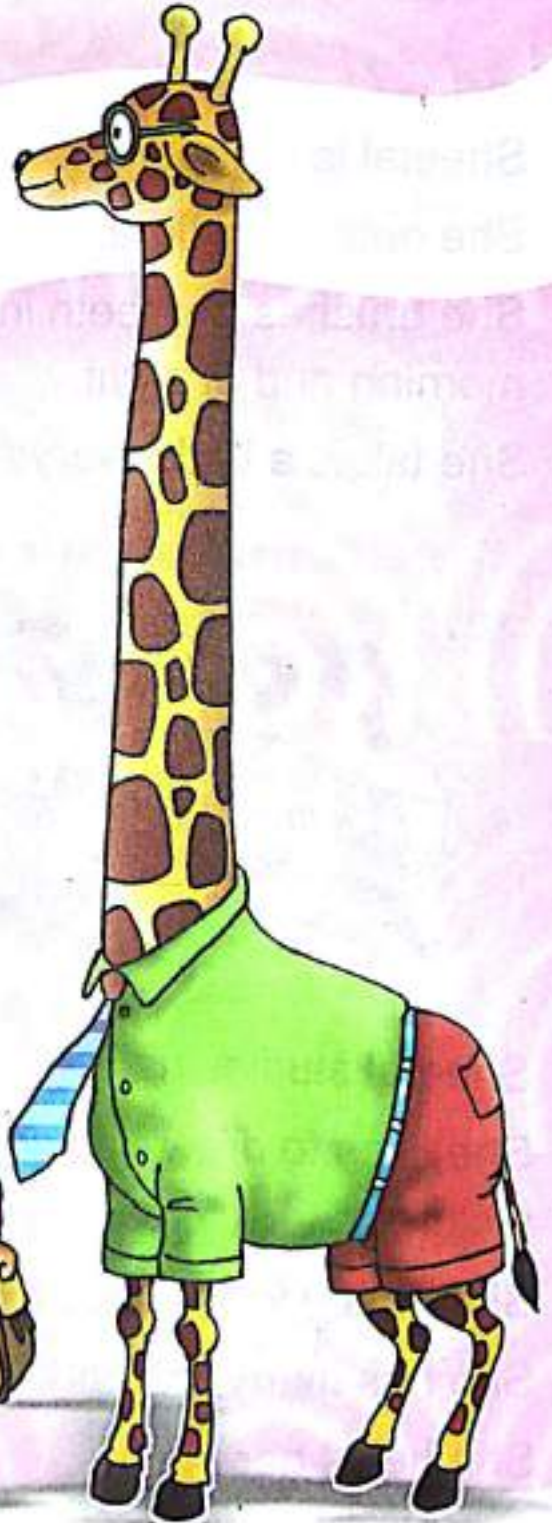
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# SECTION 1





# 1

## Sheetal

Sheetal is a good girl.  
She gets up in time.  
She brushes her teeth in the morning and at night.  
She takes a bath everyday.



She wears clean clothes and combs her hair.  
She drinks milk and eats a banana in the morning.  
She goes to school by bus.

Sheetal studies hard.  
She likes to draw and colour pictures.  
She gets good grades.  
She has many friends.  
She helps her friends.





## Do it yourself

I. Fill in the blanks using words from the help box :

HELP  
BOX

milk, grades, banana, bath,  
draw, clothes, colour

- (a) Sheetal wears clean clothes.
- (b) She takes a bath everyday.
- (c) She drinks milk and eats a banana.
- (d) Sheetal gets good grades.
- (e) Sheetal likes to draw and colour pictures.

II. Fun with vowels

a

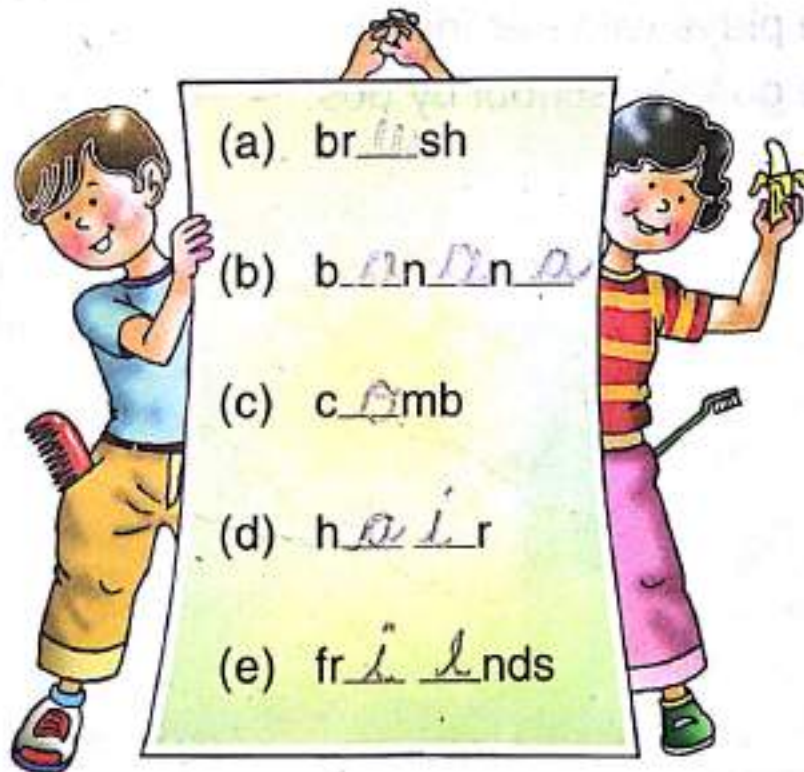
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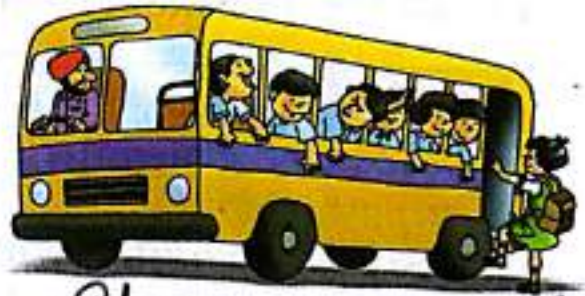
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u

Here are some words from the story with missing vowels. Fill in the missing vowels to make the words.



III. Look carefully at each picture. Choose the correct sentence from those given below and write it under the appropriate picture.



Sheetal brushes her teeth. She goes to school by bus.



She does all her homework. She plays with her friends.

- (a) Sheetal brushes her teeth.
- (b) She does all her homework.
- (c) She plays with her friends.
- (d) She goes to school by bus.



## 2

## Riddle Time

1. Beautiful are her wings.  
Colourful are her wings.  
She sits on flowers.  
Who is it?

It is a Butterfly.

2. It is like a stick.  
Its colours are many.  
It is in a box.  
We carry the box in our school bag.  
What is it?

It is a Pencil.

3. It has four legs.  
But cannot walk.  
We sit on it.  
What is it?

It is a Chair.

4. It has a face.  
It has two hands.  
It has no eyes or legs.  
What is it?

It is a clock.





## 3

## Puss and the Parrot

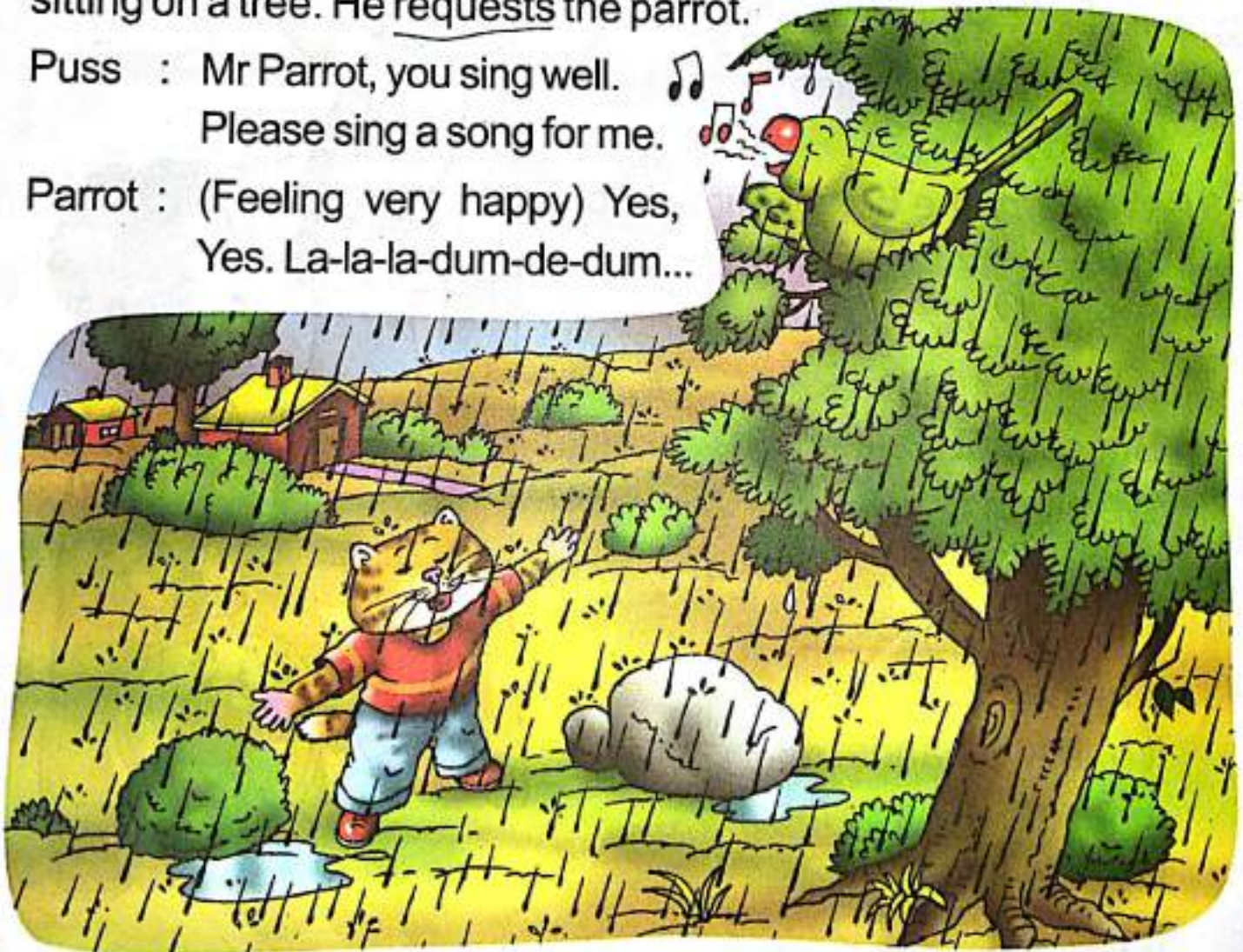
## NEW WORDS

hungry , paws , raining , hear , wait

It is raining. Puss, the cat, is feeling hungry. There is no food. There are no rats. He looks here and there. He sees a parrot sitting on a tree. He requests the parrot.

Puss : Mr Parrot, you sing well.  
Please sing a song for me.

Parrot : (Feeling very happy) Yes,  
Yes. La-la-la-dum-de-dum...







Puss : I cannot hear you Mr Parrot.  
Please come near me.

Parrot : No, no, Mr Puss. You may eat me.

Puss : No, my dear, I am an old cat. I  
have no teeth. I cannot eat you.

Parrot : Then, here I come la-la-la-dum-  
de-dum-tra-la-la.

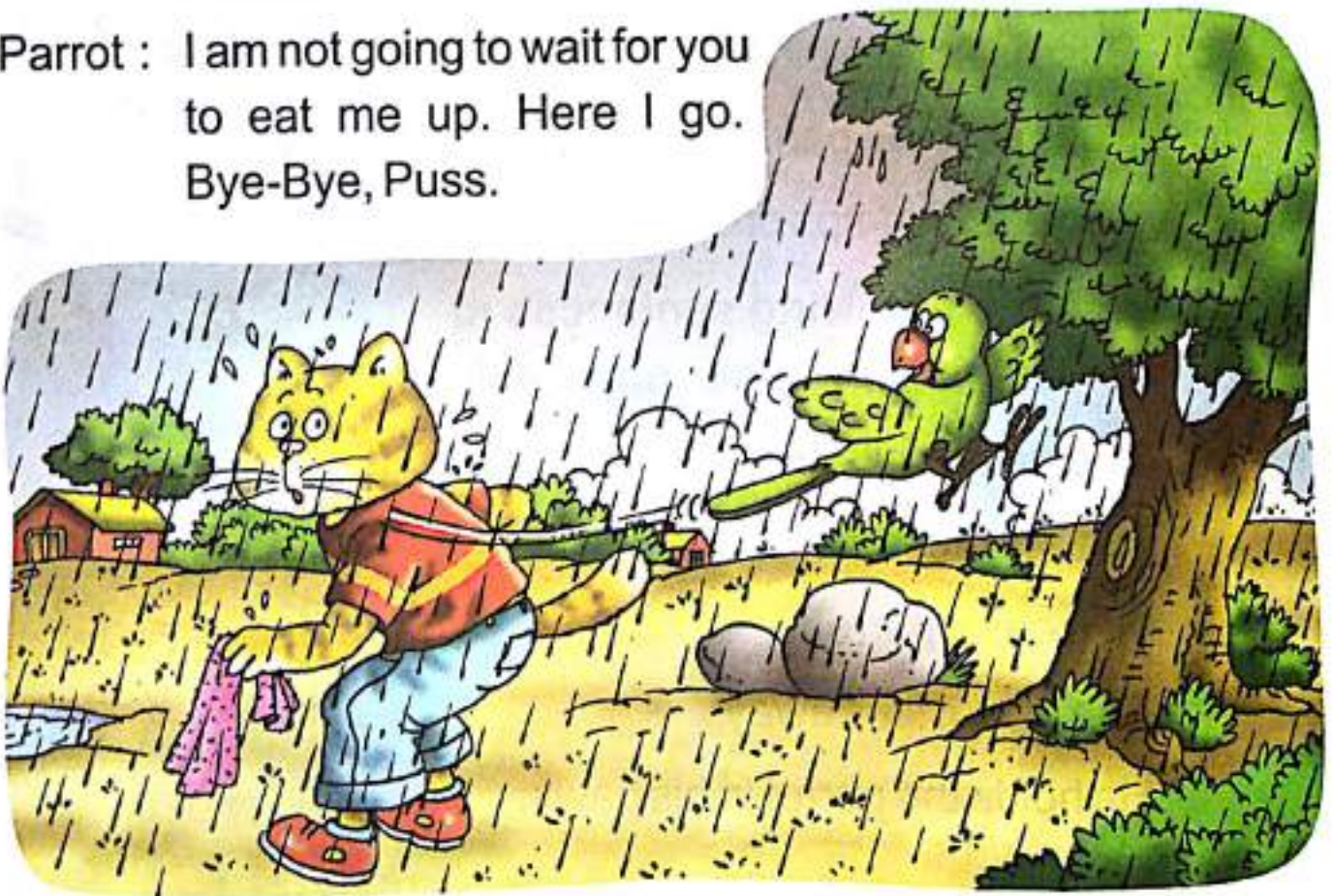
(Puss jumps on the parrot and holds him in his paws.)

Puss : Now I am going to eat you.

Parrot : You are a good cat. If you want to eat me, you must first  
wash your hands and face. That is what all good cats do.

Puss : Just see how fast I wash my face and hands. You stand  
here and see.

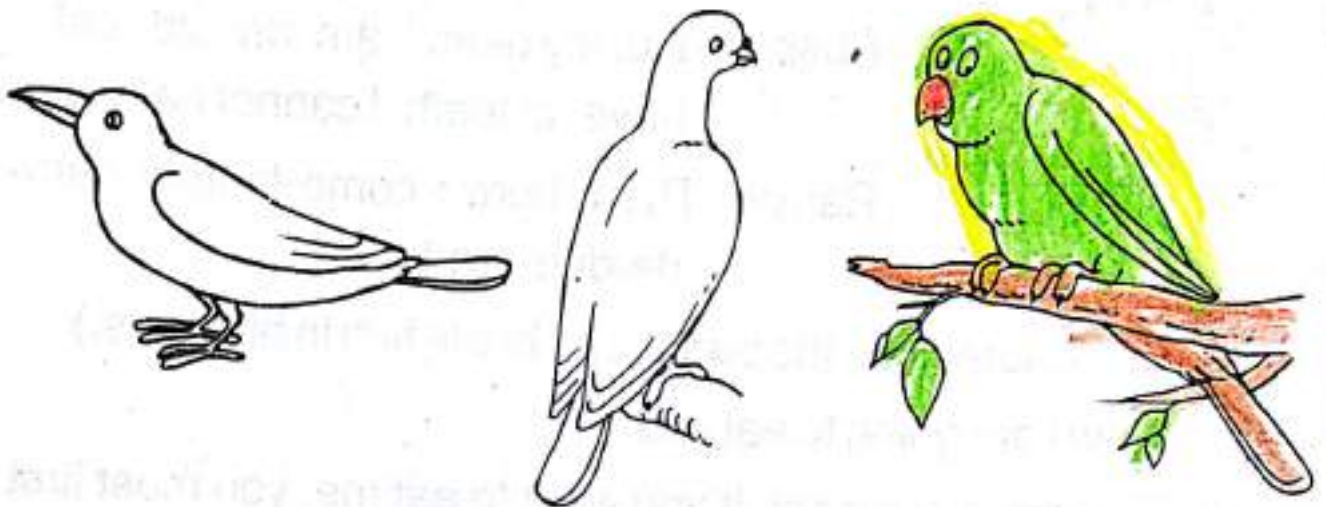
Parrot : I am not going to wait for you  
to eat me up. Here I go.  
Bye-Bye, Puss.





## Do it yourself

I. Colour the bird you find in the story.



II. Tick [ ✓ ] the right and cross out [ x ] the wrong statements.

- (a) It is a rainy day. (✓)
- (b) Puss is not feeling hungry. (x)
- (c) Puss eats the parrot. (x)
- (d) The parrot jumps on Puss. (x)



III. Arrange the following sentences in the correct order in your notebook.

- The parrot tells Puss to wash his hands.
- Puss is feeling hungry.
- He sees a parrot.
- The parrot flies away.
- He holds the parrot in his paws.

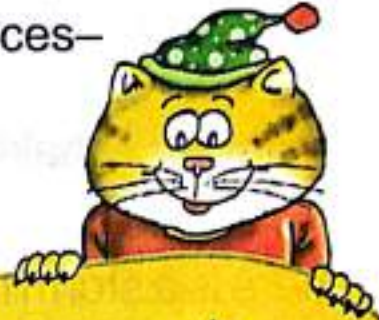




#### IV. Answer the following questions:



- (a) Who is hungry ?
- (b) Whom does Puss want to eat?
- (c) Where is the parrot sitting?
- (d) Who is more clever - Puss or the parrot ?
- (e) Who said the following sentences—



Now I am  
going to eat you.

Puss the cat

You must first  
wash your hands  
and face.

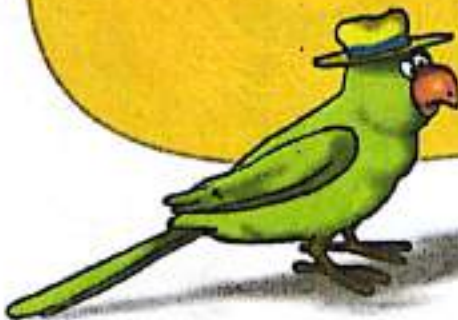
Parrot

You stand here and see.

Puss the cat

I am not going  
to wait for you to  
eat me up.

Parrot





## 4

## The Helpful Friends

## NEW WORDS

storm, shaking, brightly, afraid, blow, twigs

There is a storm in the jungle and the wind is blowing fast. It is raining heavily. The birds and animals are inside their homes.

Chirpy, the sparrow is in her nest. She is afraid of the wind. Her mango tree is shaking. After sometime, Chirpy's nest falls down from the mango tree.

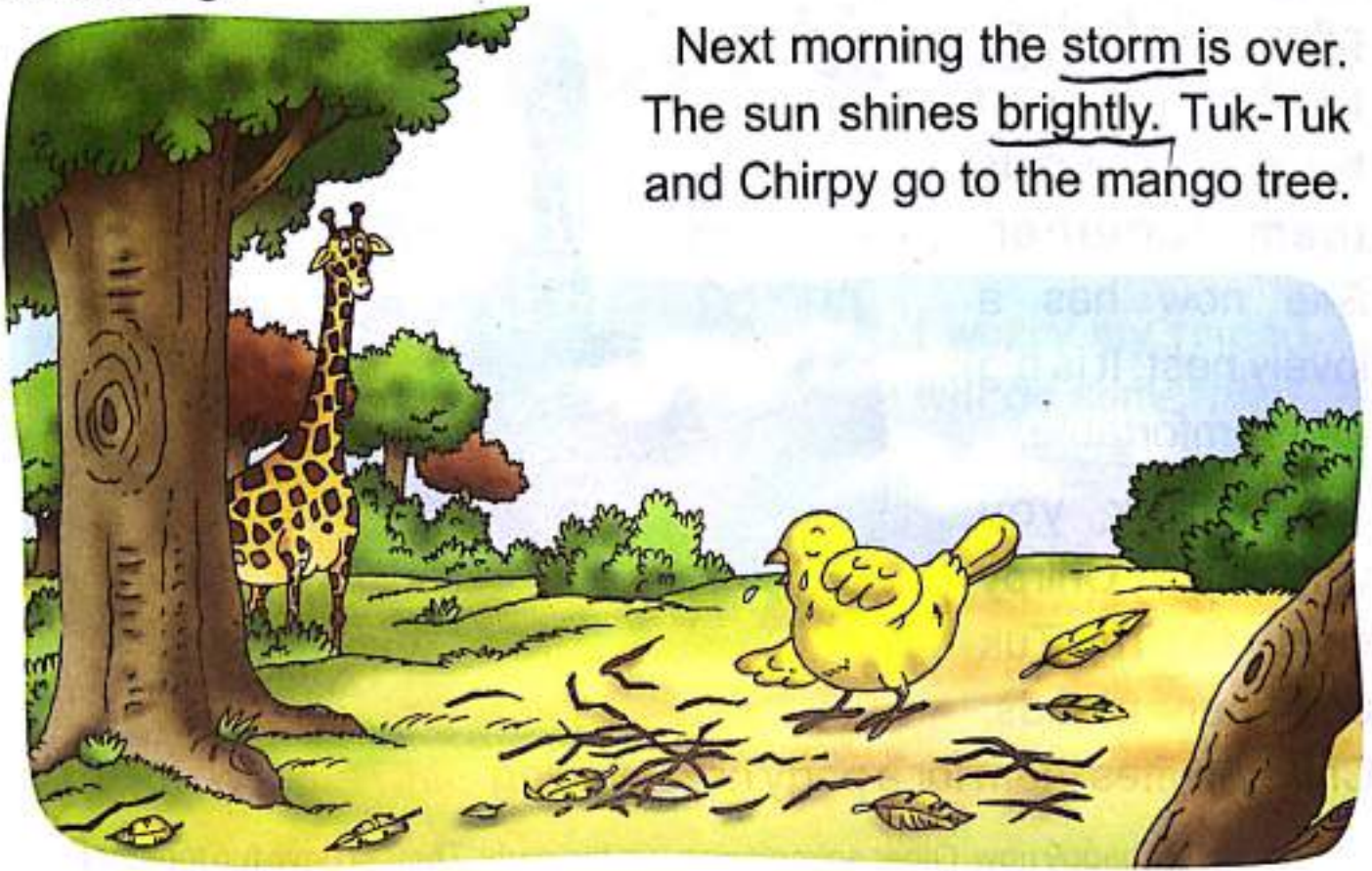
Poor Chirpy ! She is wet and unhappy. She goes to her friend, Tuk-Tuk, the giraffe. Tuk-Tuk blows air on Chirpy and dries her feathers. Tuk-Tuk gives her some nuts to eat.





'Don't worry my friend', says Tuk-Tuk, 'We will do something.'

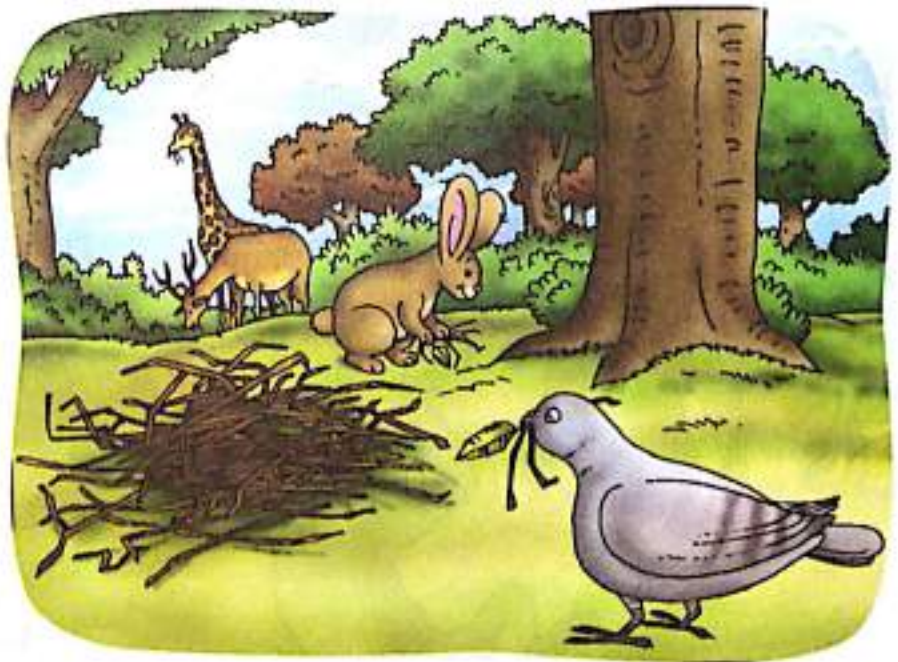
Next morning the storm is over. The sun shines brightly. Tuk-Tuk and Chirpy go to the mango tree.



'Look Tuk-Tuk', Chirpy says, 'Look at these twigs and feathers. I have no home now.' Tears roll down her face.

'Don't worry my friend,' Tuk-Tuk says, 'You will soon have a home.'

Tuk-Tuk calls all her friends. She calls the rabbit, the deer and the pigeon. They all collect twigs, leaves and feathers.



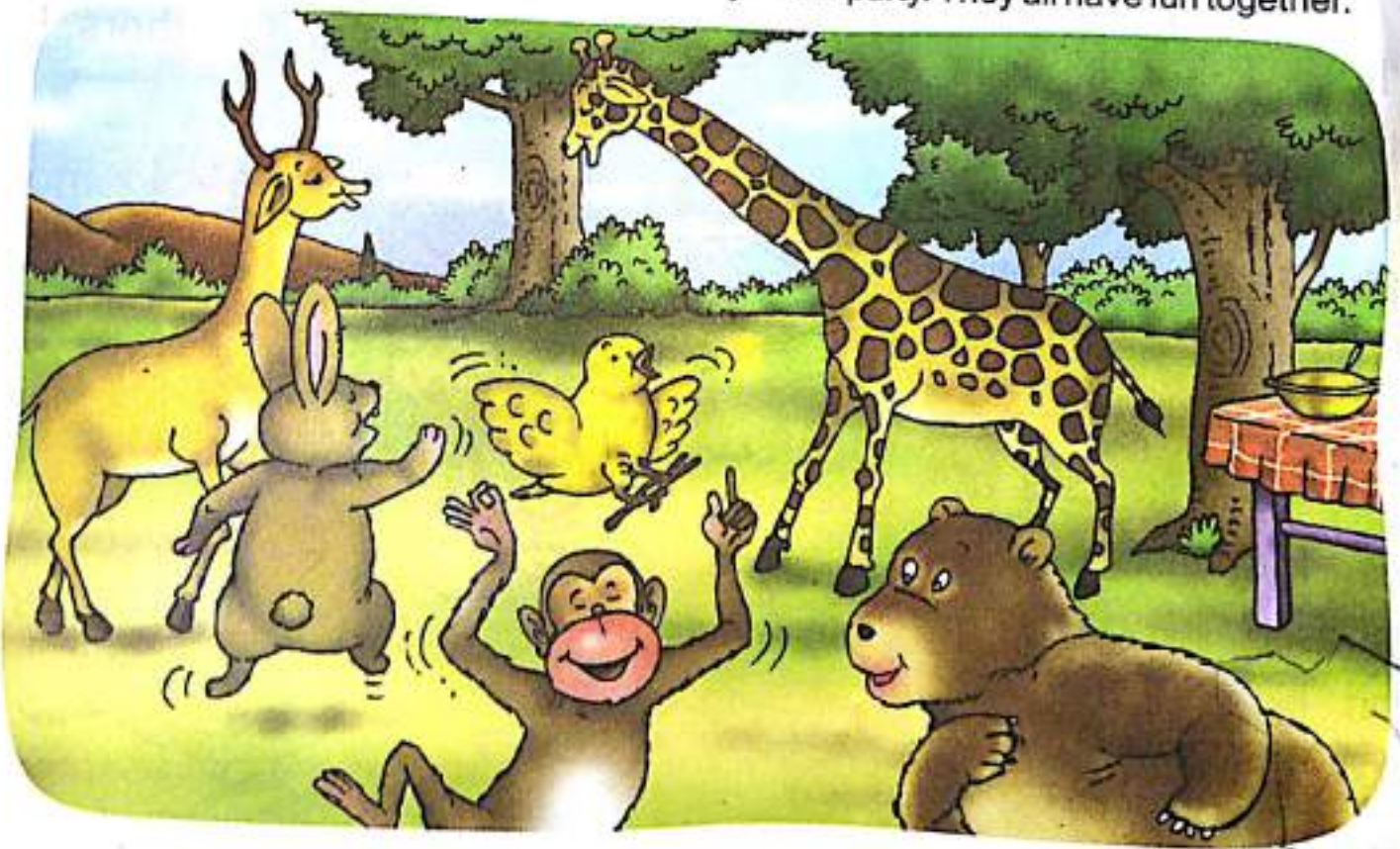


It is evening now. There are piles of leaves, feathers and twigs. Chirpy puts them together. She now has a lovely nest. It is big and comfortable.

'Thank you very much', Chirpy says to Tuk-Tuk and her friends.

Chirpy invites them for a party next evening.

She is very happy now. Other animals also join the party. They all have fun together.





## Do it yourself

### I. Who said the following lines –

I have no home now.

Chirpy



Tuk - Tuk

Don't worry my friend.  
We will do something.



### II. Answer the following questions :

- (a) Who is Chirpy ?
- (b) Who is Chirpy's friend ?
- (c) Whom does Tuk-Tuk call for help ?
- (d) What things do all the animals collect for making a nest?

### III. Put the words in the right order.

- (a) wind / fast / is / blowing / the

The wind is blowing fast.

- (b) dries / feathers / her / Tuk-Tuk

Tuk-Tuk dries her feather.

- (c) has / lovely / Chirpy / a / nest

Chirpy has a lovely nest.





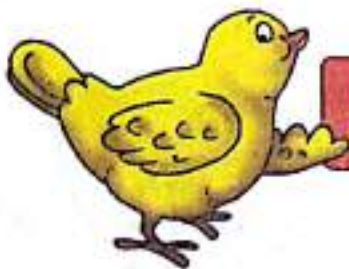
IV. Find the opposites of the following words from the story:

- (a) slow - fast  
(b) sad - happy  
(c) dry - wet  
(d) small - big  
(e) up - down



V. Fill in the blanks using correct prepositions from the help box.

- (a) Chirpy is in her nest.  
(b) Her nest is on a mango tree.  
(c) Her nest falls down from the tree.  
(d) Look at these twigs and feathers.



HELP  
BOX

on, from, at, in

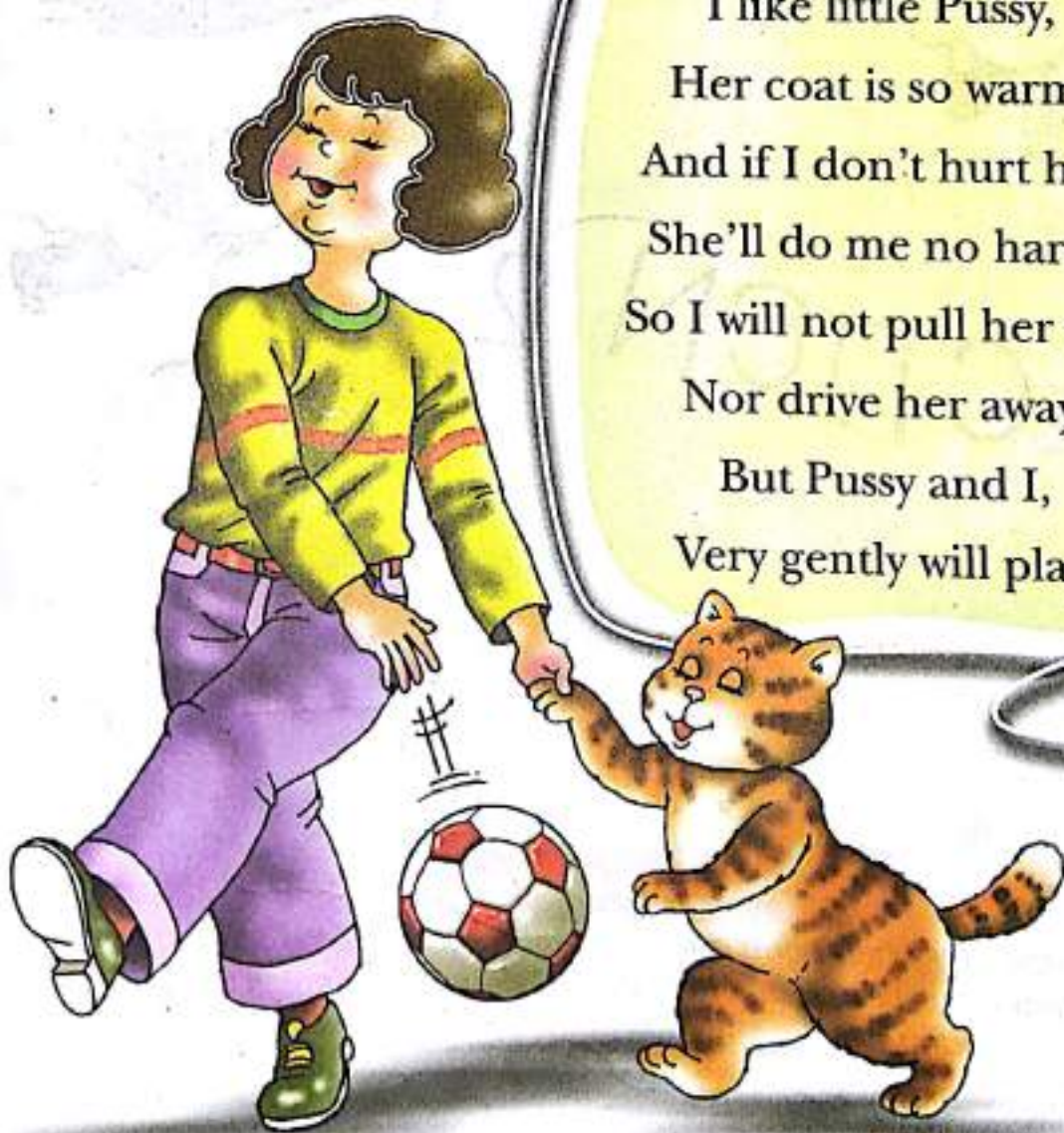




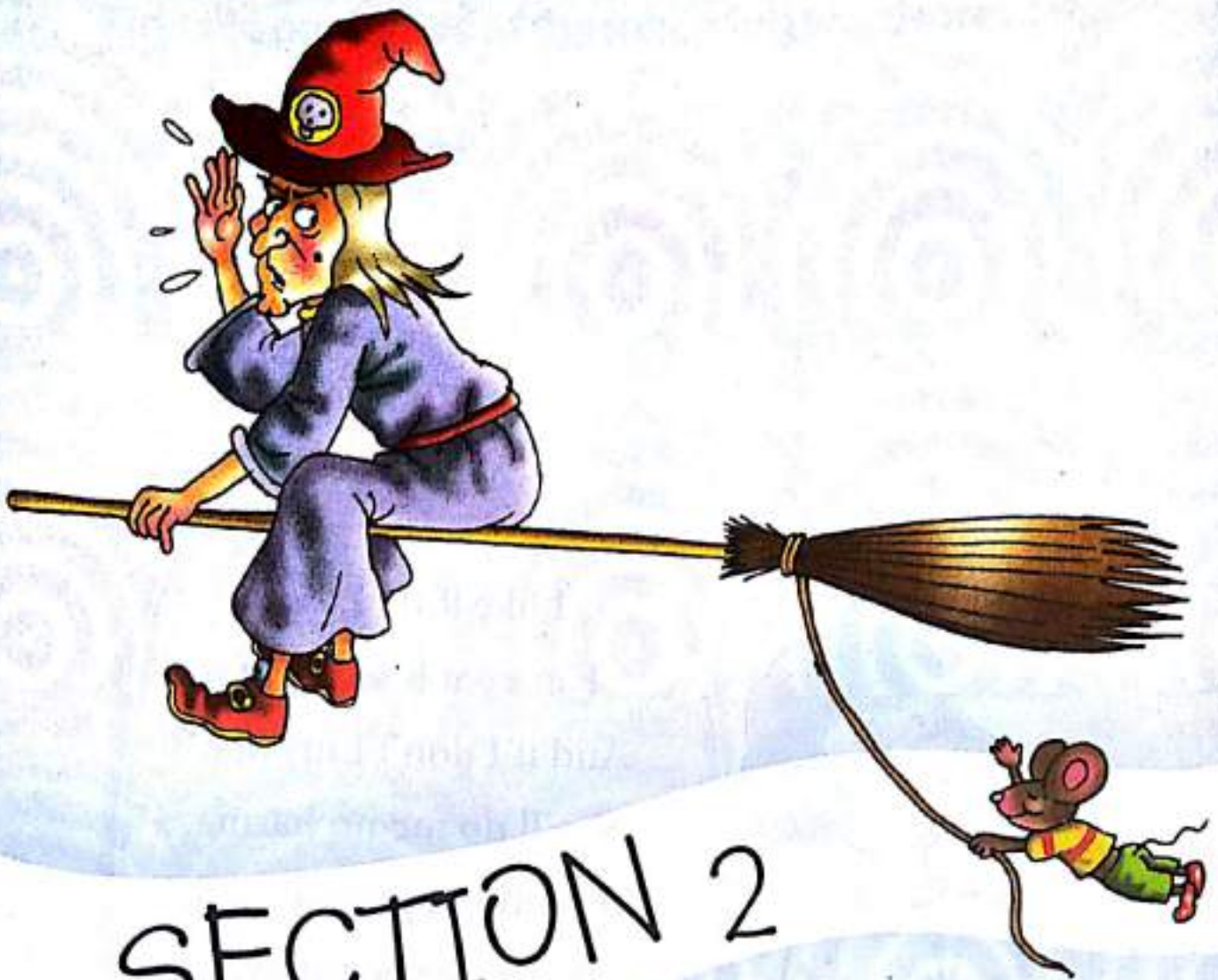
## Little Pussy

I like little Pussy,  
Her coat is so warm,  
And if I don't hurt her,  
She'll do me no harm.  
So I will not pull her tail,  
Nor drive her away,  
But Pussy and I,  
Very gently will play.

Jane Taylor







## SECTION 2

### Note for the teacher

*Each sound story has been preceded by a list of sound words. Let the students read these words loudly with you. Display these sound words in the class for sight reading.*



Say 'ar' as in



star



lark  
park  
dark  
bark  
mark  
shark  
spark

part  
cart  
dart  
chart  
start  
smart

arm  
farm  
alarm

card



large  
barge

far  
car  
scar  
bar  
jar  
star

party



**Note for the teacher**

You can play 'Memory game' or 'Be quick game' for reinforcing the given sound blends.



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## A Spark in the Dark

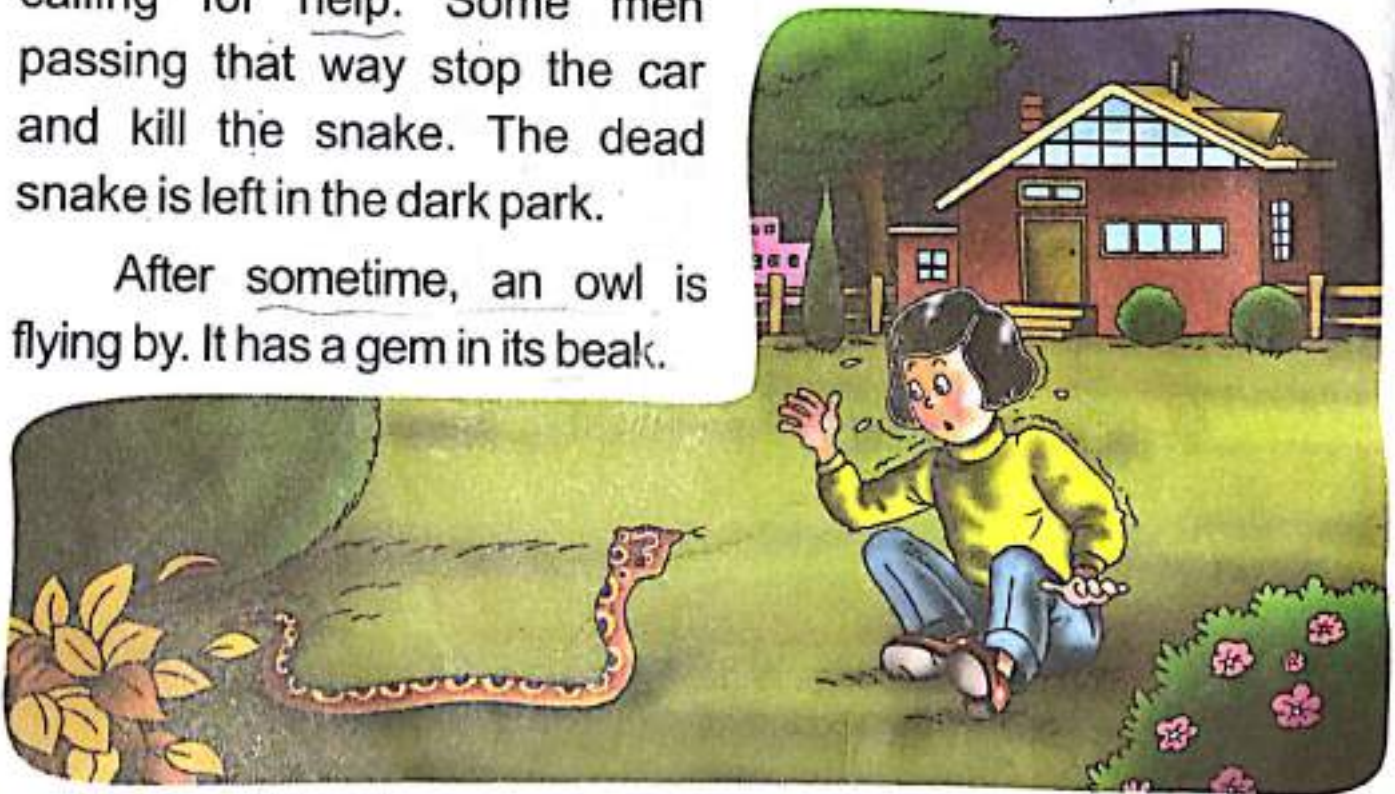
## NEW WORDS

alone, dead, gem, away, near, drops

Far away, near the park, there is a big house. A smart girl lives in that house. Her name is Sarika. One night, Sarika is alone in the house. It is very dark. There is not even one star in the sky. Sarika is sitting in the park. Her Mom and Dad have gone to a party. She hears a hiss in the dark.

It is a big black snake with a mark on its head. Sarika starts calling for help. Some men passing that way stop the car and kill the snake. The dead snake is left in the dark park.

After sometime, an owl is flying by. It has a gem in its beak.





It sees the snake. The owl drops the gem and takes the snake in its beak and flies away. Sarika sees a spark in the dark. She goes near the spark.

She finds the gem. She picks it up. It has a spark. When her Mom and Dad come back, she shows them the gem. Mom and Dad know that it is the queen's gem.



In the morning, they take the gem to the queen. The queen is very happy. She gives a big toy shark to Sarika. Sarika is also happy. She plays with the shark.



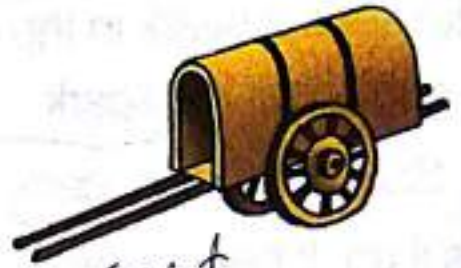


# Do it yourself

I. See the picture and write the name under it.



shark



cart



card



park



dark



car

II. Choose words from the help box and fill in the blanks.



- Sarika is a smart girl.
- Her Mom and Dad have gone to a party.
- She is alone in the house.
- She sees a shark in the dark. It is a gem.
- They take the gem to the queen.



III. We have read a lot of 'ar' sound words in the story. Let's have fun in filling the following crossword with some 'ar' words using the clues.

**Down (↓)**

1. You send this to wish someone.
2. A small fire.
3. You invite your friends on your birthday Party
4. You see many of them at night.

**Across (→)**

1. A cat meows and a dog barks.
2. Opposite of soft.
3. A place where you play.
4. A big fish.



IV. Answer the following questions:

- (a) Where is Sarika sitting ?
- (b) What does Sarika see in the park ?
- (c) Who drops the gem in the park ?
- (d) What does the queen give to Sarika ?

