

SUBJECT-supplementary (A PACT WITH THE SUN)

CLASS-VI

CHAPTER- 1

A Tale of Two Birds

Once there lived a mother bird in a forest. Her two new -born babies also lived with her. Their nest was in a tall tree. One day, there was thunder, lightening and rain. The stormy wind blew down the tall tree. Unluckily, the mother bird was killed. The strong wind blew away the little birds. One of them came down near a cave. A gang of robbers lived there. The other bird came down a little distance away. A rishi's ashram was near that place. Thus the two birds were separated.

The first bird made his home on a tree near the cave of the robber. The second bird made his nest on a tree near the rishi's ashram. After some time, the baby birds grew up. One day, the king came there. He was following a deer. He was very tired. He got off his horse. There was a tree in a cave. The king sat under it to take rest. Just then, the king heard a big brown bird's voice . It was inviting some robbers to come and snatch the king's jewels and horse. The king got afraid. He got on his horse and rode away.

Soon , the king reached the rishi's ashram. He sat down in the shade of the tree there. He heard a big brown bird asking the king to take rest inside the ashram. The king was amazed. He said, " This one looks like the other bird outside the cave." The bird told the king that it's brother had made friends with robbers, therefore it talks like robbers.

The rishi returned soon after. He invited the king to share his food. The king told about the different behaviour of the two birds. The rishi told that it was the result of their company.

Moral of the story- A person's company has lot of influence on him/ her. In bad company one is prone to become bad; on the contrary good company has quite an agreeable and pleasant impact on one's personality.

Kindly go through the summary and write down the questions and answers in the English copy.

Question and answers

Q1. How did the two baby- birds get separated?

Ans: One day, there was a big storm and the wind blew down many trees including the tall tree in which the birds lived. The strong winds blew the babies away and landed them at different places. This is how the two birds were separated.

Q2. Where did each of them find a home?

Ans: One of the birds came down on a tree near a cave occupied by robbers. The other bird landed on a tree outside the Rishi's ashram. In this way , they found homes in different trees, a little distance away from each other.

Q3. What did the first bird say to the stranger?

Ans: The first bird saw the stranger(the king). He called the robbers to hurry up and rob his jewels and horse or else he will slip away.

Q4. What did the second bird say to him?

Ans: The second bird welcomed the king to the ashram. It requested the stranger to drink water., take rest and make himself comfortable.

Q5. How did the rishi explain the different ways in which the birds behaved?

Ans: The rishi explained that one is known by the company one keeps. Our company decides our behaviour. The first bird has always heard the talk of robbers, imitates them and talks about robbing people. The other bird repeats what he always hears and so welcome people to the ashram.

Q6. Which one of the following sums up the story best?

- (i) **A bird in hand is worth two in the bush.**
- (ii) **One is known by the company one keeps.**
- (iii) **A friend in need is a friend indeed.**

Ans (ii) One is known by the company one keeps.

CHAPTER-2

The Friendly Mongoose.

The friendly Mongoose is a famous folk tale from [Panchatantra](#). This story revolves around a farmer's family and a mongoose.

The story begins with a farmer and his wife who lived in a village with their small son. They loved him very much. The farmer thought that their small son need a companion and he discuss it with his wife and one evening the farmer brought a baby mongoose. He thought that the mongoose would be their son's friend. The mongoose grew to its full size in five or six months. The farmer's son was still a baby.

One day the farmer's wife went to the market. She asked her husband to keep an eye on the baby. The baby was sleeping in the cradle. She did not want to leave her child alone with the mongoose. Clearly she feared that the mongoose might harm her child. The farmer assured her not to be afraid. The farmer trusted the mongoose fully. The farmer replied that mongoose is a friendly animal just sweet like their son. Hearing this the wife left for shopping.

As the baby was sleeping therefor the farmer thought to take a look at his fields. There he met his friends and forgot about his baby. In the mean time the wife returned with a basket full of groceries. The mongoose was Waiting for her at the door. The farmer's wife saw the face and paws of the mongoose were smeared with blood. She becomes angry and she thought that the mongoose might have killed her son. In a rage, she hit the mongoose hard with the basket full of groceries. The mongoose died instantly. She ran inside. She saw her baby was sleeping. Nearby, a black snake lay dead in a pool of blood. She understood that the mongoose had killed the snake and saved her son. She repented over her rash and foolish action. She started sobbing but all were in vain. Her repentance shows that hurry causes worry.

MORAL OF THE STORY

The story teaches us not to take any action in anger as it may lead you to repent later, just like the farmer's wife.

[Kindly go through the summary and write down the question and answers in the English copy.](#)

Question and answers

Q1_ Why did the farmer bring a baby mongoose into the house?

Ans: The farmer brought a baby mongoose as a companion to his child.

Q2. Why didn't the farmer's wife want to leave the baby alone with mongoose?

Ans: She didn't want to leave her son alone with the mongoose because she was afraid that the animal would harm her baby.

Q3. What was the farmer's comment on his wife's fears?

Ans: The farmer said on his wife's fear that she shouldn't be afraid because mongoose is a friendly animal. It is as sweet as our baby and they are the best of friends.

Q4_ Why did the farmer's wife strike the mongoose with her basket?

Ans: The farmer's wife returned home with a heavy basket. She noticed blood on the face And paws of the mongoose . She had no doubt that the mongoose had killed her son. So in anger she hit the animal with the basket. The poor mongoose died on the spot.

Q5. Did she repent her hasty action? How does she shows her repentance?

Ans: The farmer's wife saw the snake torn into pieces. Her own son was safely asleep. She realised her mistake and cried. She saw the painful result of her hasty action.

SUBJECT- ENGLISH (**HONEYSUCKLE**)

CHAPTER-2 How The Dog Found Himself A New Master.

This is the amazing story of a dog searching for a master . It wants to serve the strongest animal on earth. This story begins in the past. In the past, all animals were living independently and had no masters.

A new dog took birth. The new dog was not happy with the day to day struggle for food and danger of powerful creature. So, he decided to find a master who is the strongest on the earth. He started searching for such a creature.

In the forest, he met a wolf. Wolf is a fearsome creature. The dog thought he is the strongest and made his own master. But one day he saw the wolf running with fear. Dog asked what happened. Wolf said, " there is a bear nearby, hide in the forest, else he will kill us. The dog thought the bear is the strongest and He should offer his service to him and left the wolf.

Bear accepted his service and together started hunting for animals. While hunting for a cow, suddenly bear begun hiding in the forest. Dog asked why you are hiding? Bear said the lion is the king and strongest animal in the forest. The dog left the bear and joined the king. Many days passed, and the dog was happy being with the lion.

But one day, the lion roar fast, punched his feet on the earth and started moving away. Dog asked what happened master. The lion said, " there are man coming in our way. Let us go back else we will be in trouble."

The dog understood the lion is not the strongest. He went to the man and offered his service. Since then, dogs are the most loyal servants of human.

NOTE-Kindly go through this humorous story to find out how eventually a dog becomes a friend of a man.

Write down the word meanings and questions and answers in your copy.

Word-meanings

1. **Ill pleased**—old fashioned way of saying not happy.
2. **Freedom**--- liberty, without any constraints.
3. **Wandering**—to move here and there aimlessly.
4. **Frightened**—afraid of.
5. **Servant**--- attendant, helper, who works for others.
6. **Master**—owner, ruler, sovereign.
7. **Kinsman**—(old fashioned word for) a relative.
8. **Fierce**—violent, frightening.
9. **Take up service with**--- become the servant of.
10. **Darted**—moved quickly
11. **Suddenly come over** you – affected you
12. **Sniffed**-- draw up air audibly through the nose to detect something.
13. **Herd of cows**—a group of cows
14. **Mooing**—sound made by cows
15. **Terrible**—horrible
16. **In a panic**—a strong feeling of fear
17. **Hastily**—hurriedly
18. **Beast** – animals
19. **Behind**—at the back side of something
20. **Dared**—to be brave enough to do something
21. **Offend**--- upset or annoy
22. **Cliff**—a steep, high rock (often at the edge of the sea)
23. **Bare**—unclothed.

Questions and Answers

Q1. Why did the dog feel the need for a master?

Ans: The dog was sick of searching for food and was afraid of stronger beast. So he felt the need for a master who could keep him safe and secure.

Q2. Who did he first choose as his master? Why did he leave that master?

Ans: He first chose the wolf as his master . He left that master because he was not the strongest of all as the wolf was afraid of the bear.

Q3. Who did he choose next?

Ans: Next, he chose the bear as his master because he was stronger than the wolf.

Q4. Why did he serve the Lion for a long time?

Ans: He served him for a long time because he felt safe and secure with him. He had a good life there as no other wild animal dared to displease him.

Q5. Who did he finally choose as his master and why ?

Ans: He finally chose man as his master because he found him to be the strongest creature on earth.

Lesson 2 (poem) **THE KITE**

How bright on the blue
Is a kite when it's new
With a dive and a dip
It snaps its tails

Then soars like a ship
With only a snail
As over tides
Of wind it rides
Climbs to the crest
Of a gust and pulls,
Then seems to rest
as wind falls.

When string goes slack
You wind it back
And run until
A new breeze blows
And its wings fill
And up it goes!
How bright on the blue
Is a kite when it's new!
But a raggeder thing
You never will see
When it flaps on a string
In the top of a tree

BY- Harry Behn

NOTE- Students kindly note- Explanation of this poem will be given in the google classroom. By the time please write down the poem in the copy and wait for the explanation.