

ENGLISH READER (CLASS-2)

CHAPTER-1 – IN THE GARDEN

Reading

A. Answer the following questions.

Ans. 1. Arjun and Simran go to the garden everyday.

2. The names of flowers in the garden are rose, lily, jasmine, pansy, sunflower and marigold.

3. The names of trees in the garden are guava, mango, eucalyptus and papaya.

4. 'Do not pluck the flowers' was written on the board.

5. To take care of the garden we should do the following things :

(i) We should never pluck the leaves and flowers.

(ii) We should plant new saplings.

(iii) We should water the plants.

(iv) We should not allow anyone to cut the trees.

Word Power

A. Match the names with the picture.

Do it yourself.

B. Read the clues and write the names.

1. Garden

2. Rose

3. Mango

4. Butterfly

Grammar In Use

Write the number and name of the things :

Five flowers

Six pens

Three cars

Two huts

Four balls

Six books

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing : Do it yourself.

Listening : Do it yourself.

Fun Time : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-2 – SID AT HOME

Reading

A. Answer the following questions.

Ans. 1. Mom is cooking food.

2. Papa is reading a newspaper.

3. Mary is combing her doll's hair.

4. Rubel is eating its food.

5. Sid is doing nothing.

B. Who says the following lines in the lesson ? Write the answers.

1. Mom

2. Sid

3. Mary

4. Sid

5. Papa

Word Power

A. Fill in o/a to complete the words.

fall	tall
talk	frock
roll	call

B. Label the following items that we eat :

bread	fish
cap	pizza
burger	cake

Grammar In Use

Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :

1. a, a 2. a 3. the, the, a 4. the, a 5. the 6. a 7. the

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing

Complete the conversation given below :

Gaurav : Pooja, are you going this summer vacation ?

Pooja : I'm going to a trip.

Gaurav : Where are you going ?

Pooja : I am going to Shimla.

Gaurav : Do you know anyone in Shimla ?

Pooja : Yes, my aunt lives there.

Gaurav : When will you leave for Shimla ?

Pooja : I'll be leaving on Sunday.

Gaurav : When will you return ?

Pooja : In next month's time.

Gaurav : Have fun.

Pooja : Thanks.

Listening : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-3 – A NICE LAD

Reading

A. Answer the following questions.

Ans.1. Yes, the poet was happy.

2. No, he did not use any ugly word.

3. Poet is happy for the next day when he will see the rising sun in the morning.

4. The poet hears the thrushes singing in the lilacs round the lawn.

B. Complete the Stanza :

And now at last,

the sun is going down behind the wood.

And I am happy.
 for I know that I've been good.
 I know that till tomorrow.
 When I see the sun arise.
 No ugly dream shall fright my mind,
 No ugly sight my eyes.

Fun Time : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-4 – GOOD NEIGHBOURS

Reading

A. Answer the following questions.

Ans. 1. Gauri lives next door to Shweta.

2. Gauri runs after butterflies in the garden.

3. Sweta's father has a car.

4. Gauri says to her mother that “Mummy, Shweta's mother cooks such a tasty cake!
 Shweta has such lovely teddy bear and monkey.”

Word Power

A. Do it yourself.

B. Match the meals with correct timings :

morning – breakfast

afternoon – lunch

evening – tea

night – dinner

C. Match the places with the things they have :

Garden – butterflies

School – desks

Kitchen – snacks

Sky – stars

Grammar In Use

A. Do it yourself.

B. Put these nouns in the right columns :

pen	water
girls	kerosene
bananas	sugar
butterflies	tea
days	money

C. Read the following :

A team of players. A swarm of bees.

A army of soldiers. A class of students.

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing

Read this picture story. Now, write it again using words in place of pictures.

Pooja and her puppy went for a walk. They walked by the side of a tree. Suddenly puppy saw a cat. He ran after it. Then Pooja threw a ball and puppy ran after it. He brought it back in his mouth. A monkey was sitting on a tree. Monkey was eating a banana.

Fun Time

B	E	E	T	L	E	F
U	A	B	C	D	E	L
T	L	A	N	T	J	A
T	I	G	H	I	K	D
E	C	M	O	T	H	Y
R	E	L	S	W	X	B
F	M	N	T	X	X	I
L	O	P	U	Y	X	R
Y	U	R	V	Y	X	D

CHAPTER-5 – OUR METRO TRAIN

Reading

A. Answer the following questions.

Ans. 1. The children wanted to go for a ride on the metro.

2. Escalator is a stair that can move.

3. When Pooja put her token, the gate opened for her.

4. The children enjoyed their ride on metro. It was a wonderful experience for them.

5. Yes, I have travelled by the metro train.

Word Power

A. Match the words in Column I and Column II and make new words.

underground

shopkeeper

staircase

time table

lady finger

backward

B. Remove the first letter of these words and make new words :

rain

aid

eat

round

hat

pen

old

mall

C. Find out the meanings of the following words :

1. to tell about something in a way that makes it easy to understand.

2. a stair that can move.

3. a tool or machine with a pointed end for making holes.
4. arrogance
5. with eagerness

Grammar In Use

A. What words can you use for these picture ? Fill in the blanks with words from the box :

naughty	beautiful	slow
red	small	old

B. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the brackets :

1. takes 2. likes, sing 3. water 4. tells 5. ask

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing

Look at the picture. Describe it in your own words :

This is a picture of a metro train. We can see such trains in big cities like Delhi. This is a modern train. Travelling by a metro train is safe and easy. This train runs on electricity.

Listening : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-6 – UNWELL GAURA

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

- Ans. 1. A tugboat is a boat that is used to pull and guide ships to their resting places in a harbour.
2. Gaura live in the harbour near the dig sea with other boats.
 3. One day Guara fall ill. She could not stop sneezing.
 4. Gaura stopped near an island to rest.
 5. Gaura's sneeze saved the ships from hitting the rocks. They heard her sneeze and took a right way to save themselves from hitting the rocks.

B. Put the sentences in the correct order :

1. Gaura helped to pull or guide ships to their resting places in the harbour.
2. Gaura is a happy little boat again.
3. She always had a smile on her face.
4. Gaura was sneezing.
5. Gaura sailed away from the other ships.
6. Gaura reached a small island.
7. Thick clouds gathered in the sky.
8. They could not see the rocks.
9. He cleaned Gaura's funnel.
10. Gaura sailed on to where the water was deep.

Word Power

A. Write the opposites :

large	far
unhappy	well

rich small
unclear unclean

B. Match the words with the pictures :

harbour tugboat
rock dolphin

Grammar In Use

A. Complete these sentences with do not or does not

1. does not 2. does not 3. do not 4. does not

B. Fill in the blanks using do, does or did :

1. Do 2. Does 3. Do 4. Did

C. Answer the questions as shown. Use the words given in the box.

- (b) Yes, they did.
(c) No, we didn't.
(d) No, they didn't.

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing : Do it yourself.

Listening : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-7 – HUGE BALL OF FIRE

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans. 1. The sun gives us heat and light.

2. The sun is needed by all living things.

3. If the sun comes closer, it will burn up every living things.

4. If the sun does not rise, there will be no day but only night. Our earth will turn into ice.

Fun Time : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-8 – THE FOX AND THE STORK

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans. 1. The fox invited the stork for lunch.

2. The stork could not drink the soup because it was served in a plate. She cannot drink the soup in the plate.

3. The stork served the soup in narrow-necked jars.

4. No, the fox was not cleverer than the stork.

B. Write Yes or No.

1. Yes 2. Yes 3. No 4. No

Word Power

A. Match the opposites :

long – short
quickly – slowly

good		bad
fool	–	clever
clean	–	dirty
love	–	hate

B. Do it yourself.

C. Now make sentences using these words :

1. She licked the honey of spoon.
2. I munched my way through a huge bowl of cereal.
3. She took some cake from the tray and nibble at it.
4. The pills should be swallowed whole.

Grammar In Use

Now write the related nouns for females :

grandmother	cow
queen	peahen
sister	lady
bridegroom	hen

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing : Do it yourself.

Listening : Do it yourself.

Fun Time : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-9 – BIG ELEPHANT AND TINY MICE

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans. 1. There was a lake on one side of the city and a jungle on the other side of it.

2. The elephants went to the lake to drink water.

3. The mice held a meeting to discuss on the matter of the elephants. They wanted to get rid of elephants.

4. Yes, the king of elephants listened to their request.

5. The trappers ties the elephants to trees with thick ropes.

6. The mice bit the thick ropes and cut through them with their sharp teeth. Soon the elephants were free.

B. Fill in the blanks :

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|--------------|-------------------|-------------|----------|
| 1. elephants | 2. sorry | 3. three | 4. ropes |
| 5. queen | 6. elephants mice | 7. trappers | |

Word Power

A. Now took at the pictures and write a suitable collective noun of them. :

Bunch of peas	Bouquet of flowers	School of fish
Band of musicians	Pile of books	Pack of cards

B. Read the following sentences :

Now write the opposites of the following words :

Unhappy	Love
Bad	Reward
Short	Disobey
Up	Unlike

Grammar In Use

A. Now, pick up the pronouns in the sentences below.

2. Her 3. This, his 4. I, them 5. They 6. She 7. We

B. Rewrite these sentences by using pronouns where ever needed.

1. Rohan and Sohan are going to a hill station. They are going by bus.
2. Saira had a pet dog. She took the pet dog to the market.
3. This ia an album. It has a lot of photographs.
4. Sonu os coming today. He is coming with Rohit.
5. Ankit and I live ice-cream. We also like custard.

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing

Look at this picture and write a few sentences about it :

There lived an elephant in the wood. Some mice were his good friends. One day, the elephant caught into the net of some trappers. He trumpeted in pain. The mice heard his trumpet. They came running to where the elephant was. They bit the thick ropes of the net. Soon the elephant was free.

Listening : Do it yourself.

Fun Time

Do it unscramble the names of these big animals.

1. Gorilla 2. Bear 3. Hippo 4. Giraffe 6. Dinosaur

CHAPTER-10 – THE BALLOON MAN

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans. 1. The balloon man comes on the market days.

2. The big and small balloons are brought by him.
3. The balloons are tied together with a string.
4. They look pretty while they sail high in the sky.

B. Write 'true' or 'false'.

1. false 2. true 3. false 4. true

Fun Time : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-11 – THE HELPFUL MONKEYS

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans. 1. The monkeys are gardener's friends.

2. All the men, women and children are going to the town to attend a big fair.

3. The gardener cannot go to the fair because he does his duty sincerely. He waters the plants everyday. How has no time to go to the fair.

4. The monkeys are pulling the plants out and looking at the roots carefully. They are doing so, because they want to see that which plant needs more water and which needs less water.

5. The moral behind the story is that-it's better to have no friends than foolish to have foolish friends.

B. Who said this ?

1. Young monkey

2. Gardener

3. Old wise monkey

4. Gardener

5. Oldest monkey

6. Oldest monkey

Word Power

A. Find out the words with 'oo' from the dictionary and write them here.

look stool moon

root noon pool

zoo tooth wool

wood door

B. Match the opposites :

wise – foolish

near – far

up – down

big – small

oldest – youngest

stopped – started

best – worst

C. Use these words in the sentences of your own to bring out the difference :

1. All the men, women and children are going to the fair.

What is the fare from Sonapat to Delhi in a local train.

2. Can I come too ?

I have two new shirts.

3. Some plants have long roots.

Which is the best route to take ?

4. No one can do this hard job.

I know that she is a doctor.

D. Write the -ing form of these verbs in the boxes :

1	2	3
		cutting
doing		
	coming	
	dancing	
planting		

Grammar In Use

A. Now write the three forms of these words :

1	1st form	2nd form	3rd form
thin	thin	thinner	thinnest
clever	clever	cleverer	cleverest
happy	happy	happier	happiest
thick	thick	thicker	thickest
small	small	smaller	smallest
big	big	bigger	biggest

Writing

Look at the picture and complete the paragraphs sensibly any way you like :

Mr. Gupta has a dog and a monkey. He loves his pets very much. One day he is standing in the balcony of his house. The monkey is climbing the ladder to reach the first floor of the house. But the dog does not want to the monkey to reach Mr. Gupta. He himself wants to reach to his master to love him.

All of a sudden, a cat comes there. The dog runs after the cat. The monkey makes good use of the time. He goes straight to his master. The dog feels bad. He goes to his master and starts wagging its tail to please him.

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Listening : Do it yourself.

Fun Time

The special qualities of some animals are given below. Write the names of these animals.

1. Lion 2. Tiger 3. Elephant 4. Camel 5. Giraffe 6. snake

CHAPTER-12 – THE TREE WITH AERIAL ROOTS

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans. 1. A full grown banyan tree can be as high as three-storyed building.

2. Yes, elephants love the banyan tree because it has enough leaves to feed them.

3. The speciality of wood of the banyan tree is that it is used for making bullock cart and tent poles.
 4. The names of animals and birds that live on the banyan tree are squirrels, sparrows, crows, cranes, mynahs, flying foxes, etc.
- B. Tick 'T' for true or 'F' for false.
1. F 2. T 3. T 4. F 5. T

Word Power

- A. Match the words with their meanings :
- | | | |
|---------|---|-------------------------------|
| noisy | – | that which makes noise |
| shelter | – | a place to live |
| swing | – | move with a to and fro motion |
| support | – | help to stand |
| huge | – | very big. |
- B. Draw lines to match :
- | |
|---|
| from where the branches come out – trunk |
| another word for a branch – bough |
| the hanging roots of a banyan tree – aerial roots |
| the part of the tree that is underground – root |
| a small shoot of a plant or a tree – twig |
- C. The banyan tree has many roots coming down. The word coming has been made from the word come by dropping the letter 'e' and adding '-ing'. Make -ing words.
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|---------|----------|
| moving | arriving |
| taking | shining |
| loving | choosing |
| having | writing |
| tasting | baking |

Grammar In Use

- A. Write the words in the correct order to make proper sentences. Remember to use capital and full stop.
1. The banyan is a useful tree.
 2. The wood of the banyan tree is very strong.
 3. You are a foolish boy.
 4. The puppy opened its eyes.
 5. My friend has many toys.
- B. Look at the following sentences.
- Complete the sentences with 'is' or 'are' :
1. is 2. are 3. are 4. are 5. is 6. is

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing

Write a few sentences about the tree shown in the picture using the words given in the box.

Neem is a useful tree.

It is a big tree.

It is also a medicinal tree.

It has a tall trunk.

It gives shelter to many animals and birds under its cool shade.

Listening : Do it yourself.

Fun Time : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-13 – POOR RAMDIN

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans. 1. Ramdin is going to the temple.

2. The boy on the bicycle ride away quickly because the muddy water on the way splashes all over Ramdin.

3. Ramdin sits on the bench to take a rest.

B. Arrange the following in the correct order by putting number 1-5.

1-1, 2-2, 3-5, 4-3, 5-4

Word Power

A. Fill in 's' or 'ss' :

class	buss	dress
rose	tos	mess
nest	less	his

B. Tick (✓) the correct word for each picture :

✓ running	✓ sleeping
✓ talking	✓ raining

C. Write the correct spelling of the following words :

bench	temple
puddle	clothes
bicycle	brush

D. Write the opposites :

1. start	2. slowly
3. old	4. full
5. stale	6. ends

E. Here are somethings. Complete their names :

PARK

CLOTHES

BOY

DHOTI

Grammar In Use

Write the action words in the blanks to find out what Abhinav and Arjun are doing at different times.

1. Abhinav and Arjun are going to school.
2. They are playing ludo in the room.
3. They are eating ice-cream.
4. They are riding their bicycles.

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing : Do it yourself.

Listening

Put a full stop or a question mark to fill in the blanks as the teacher reads out the following passage to you :

Mom was looking for Pooja.

Pooja was home. Mom asked her.

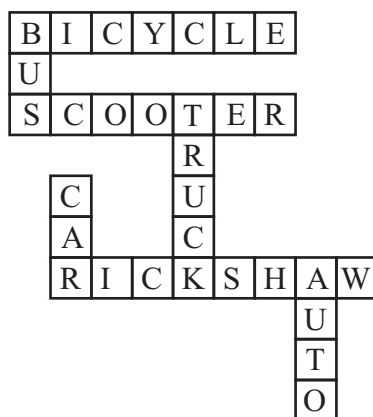
“Where are you ?”

“I had gone to Anju's house.” replied Pooja

Pooja said, “I am sorry, Mom.”

Fun Time

Complete the crossword using the picture clues :



CHAPTER-14 – MOUSIE-MOUSIE

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans. 1. The poem is about the a cat and a mouse.

2. The cat asks the mouse to come in it house.

3. The cat can't get in the mouse's house because his house is so small that a fat cat cannot enter it.
 4. The mouse can't come out because he is busy in his work.
- B. Who is the speaker here ?
- | | |
|-------|-------|
| Cat | Mouse |
| Mouse | Cat |

Fun Time : Do it yourself.

CHAPTER-15 – CHILKA LAKE

Reading

A. Answer the following questions :

Ans.1. The Chilka lake lies on the eastern coast of Odisha.

2. The birds from faraway countries visit the Chilka to escape from the very cold winters of their home in central Asia.
3. The names of some birds found at Chilka are teals, pelicans, geese, cranes, herons, flamingos, etc.
4. The fish play a vital role of Chilka, as they provide food to birds and jobs to thousands of fishermen.
5. Names of some animals found at Chilka are cheetah, blackbuck, mongoose, monkeys, porcupines, etc.

B. Mark the following as true (T) or false (F).

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|------|------|------|------|
| 1. F | 2. T | 3. F | 4. F |
|------|------|------|------|

Word Power

A. Tick (✓) the correct spelling and cross (X) the wrong ones :

B. Name these birds :

- | | | | |
|---------|----------|---------|-------|
| Pelican | Crane | Heron | Goose |
| Owl | Flamingo | Penguin | |

Grammar In Use

A. Select a pair of opposite words from the box below to fill in the blanks :

- | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. slow-fast | 2. outside-inside | 3. bright-dull |
| 4. deep-shallow | 5. asleep-awake | 6. small-big |

B. Match the group of words in the column A with these in column B to form a meaningful sentence :

- | | | | |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1. (d) | 2. (c) | 3. (b) | 4. (a) |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|

Speaking : Do it yourself.

Writing : Do it yourself.

Listening : Do it yourself.

Fun Time : Do it yourself.