

**GRADE: IV**

**SUBJECT: English**

**Topic: The Wise Traveller**

**1. Read the text and do the activities given in activity section.**

There is a Maithali proverb which says, 'If you travel, do so in company. If you sit down, look around you carefully before you do so. If you meet strangers, be on your guard.'

To test the above proverb, a villager set on a journey. While walking he felt thirsty, he stopped at a lake to drink water. While drinking he saw a crab, he picked it up and said, 'You will be my companion.'

After sometime, he became tired and lied down under a tree and fell fast asleep. While he was sleeping a poisonous snake came out of a hole and slithered towards the villager. The crab saw the snake and jumped on its hood and killed the snake. The villager got up and saw the dead snake. He said to himself that he forgot to look around before sleeping.

The villager continued his journey. After walking sometime he came to a well. He saw a thief sitting on a mat at the edge of the well. The thief asked him to sit down with him to rest as he wanted to rob the villager. The villager started to think and remember the proverb. He pulled the mat, and the thief fell into the well. The villager heaved a sigh of relief and said, 'The proverb was saved me.'

## Glossary

- Proverb** : a well known phrase or sentence that gives advice or says something that is generally true
- Company** : together with somebody
- Stranger** : a person that you do not know
- Slithered** : moved in a smooth and controlled way
- Edge** : the boundary line of a surface
- Heaved** : with great effort (made a sound)

## Activity:1

### 1. Read and write (learn spellings) the key words of the following words.

- i) Maithili ii) travel iii) company iv) strangers v) proverb  
vi) journey vii) thirsty viii) companion ix) shady x) poisonous  
xi) slithered xii) continued xiii) edge xiv) relief xv) heaved

### 2. Fill in the blanks with suitable words from the above text.

- i) The \_\_\_\_\_ wanted to test the proverbs.  
ii) He saw a \_\_\_\_\_ while drinking water.  
iii) The villager laid down under a \_\_\_\_\_ to rest.  
iv) A \_\_\_\_\_ snake came out of the hole.  
v) The villager forgot to look \_\_\_\_\_.  
vi) At last the \_\_\_\_\_ saved the villager

**3. Write true or false against the following sentences.**

- i) According to Maithili proverb a man should travel alone. \_\_\_\_\_
- ii) The villager stopped at a lake to drink. \_\_\_\_\_
- iii) He picked the crab to make his company. \_\_\_\_\_
- iv) The villager was not tired. \_\_\_\_\_
- v) The snake killed the crab. \_\_\_\_\_
- vi) A thief asked the villager to sit with him. \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Find the antonyms of the following words from the above text.**

- i) up   ii) stand   iii) below   iv) hungry   v) threw   vi) slow
- vii) saved   viii) remembered   ix) alive   x) after   xi) went
- xii) pushed

**5. Find the synonyms of the following words from the above text.**

- a. exhausted   b. died   c. robber   d. trip   e. miss

**6. Answer the following questions:**

i) According to the Maithili proverb, should a man travel alone or should he have a companion?

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ii) Who became the villager's companion?

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iii) Who killed the snake?

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iv) Where was the thief sitting?

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v) What did the villager do?

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vi) By doing so did he save himself?

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vii) Why do you think the snake was slithering towards the villager?

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**7. Make sensible sentences with the following words.**

i) around \_\_\_\_\_

ii) carefully \_\_\_\_\_

iii) tired \_\_\_\_\_

iv) journey \_\_\_\_\_

v) villager \_\_\_\_\_

**8. Tick (✓) the correct word from those given in bracket.**

i) The yak (give/gives) us milk.

ii) Elephants (live/lives) in forests.

iii) They (eats/eat) banana leaves.

iv) The boys (are/is) making coffee.

v) Almost every day my dog (hides/hide) his bone in a hole under the mango tree.

## 9. Match the animals to their cries.

### A

- i) Elephant
- ii) Monkeys
- iii) Lambs
- iv) Camels
- v) Cows
- vi) Horses

### B

- bleat
- neigh
- moo
- trumpet
- chatter
- grunt

## 10. Select words those given in brackets and complete these sentences.

- i) We can \_\_\_\_\_ Mt. Everest from the Tiger Hill in Darjeeling. \_\_\_\_\_ this photograph. (look/see)
- ii) These roses have a sweet scent, \_\_\_\_\_ them. \_\_\_\_\_ in the fresh air. (breathe/smell)
- iii) \_\_\_\_\_ to the birds singing. I can \_\_\_\_\_ some singing. (listen/hear)
- iv) The guava is hard, \_\_\_\_\_ it properly. \_\_\_\_\_ these delicious buns. (chew/eat)

**11. Join the words which go together.**

**A**

i) poisonous

ii) tired

iii) small

iv) deep

**B**

hole

traveler

well

snake

**12. Now use the above words in the blanks below. Write one word in each blank.**

i) The \_\_\_\_\_ lay down under a shady tree,

ii) The mongoose killed the \_\_\_\_\_.

iii) There was a \_\_\_\_\_ in the wall. My cat jumped through it.

iv) There is a \_\_\_\_\_ in the village. It never dries up.



# Grammar

## Topic: The Sentence

A sentence is a group of words, which makes a complete sense. A sentence always starts with capital letter and ends with full stop (.), question mark (?) and exclamation mark (!).

**Example:** I am a student.

What is your name?

What a beautiful painting!

**Look at the following groups of words:**

- a. Sweet mangoes (not a sentence)
- b. I like sweet mangoes. (A sentence)

### Activity:2

**1. Tick (✓) those groups of words which are sentences:**

- i) She kind . \_\_\_\_\_
- ii) The window is open. \_\_\_\_\_
- iii) My uncle is an artist. \_\_\_\_\_
- iv) Good boy. \_\_\_\_\_
- v) Joseph is a good boy. \_\_\_\_\_
- vi) With a bat. \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Rewrite the following groups of words as sentences. Begin each sentence with a capital letter.**

**Put a full stop (.) or question mark (?) at the end of each sentences.**

**Example:** a. colour rainbow has the seven

The rainbow has seven colours.

b. play when you do

When do you play?

i) afraid am of I not darkness

\_\_\_\_\_

ii) is night the dark very

\_\_\_\_\_

iii) was kind a gentle Cinderella and girl

\_\_\_\_\_

iv) these names colours tell the seven me of

\_\_\_\_\_

v) is school your where located

\_\_\_\_\_

vi) are you old now

\_\_\_\_\_

vii) is market there in the crowd large a

\_\_\_\_\_

viii) many students how are class in these your

\_\_\_\_\_

ix) milk gives us cow the

\_\_\_\_\_

x) should we daily milk drink

\_\_\_\_\_

**3. Write any three sentences ends with full stop(.) and three sentences ends with questions marks(?).**

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