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Preface

The primary curriculum has been revised in the light of the National Education Policy 2010 which emphasizes learning English as an international language for communicating locally and globally. The 'English For Today' textbooks have been developed to help students attain competence in all four language skills in English through meaningful and enjoyable activities. Emphasis has been given on listening and speaking skills as the foundation on which to develop reading and writing skills. Topics and themes have been selected in a way that would not only help students address the needs of real life situations, but would also inculcate humanistic values in them as well as broaden their mental horizon. Grammar points and planned activities to develop students' competence in all four language skills have been presented within contexts in a systematic and graded way.

The 'English For Today' textbook is accompanied by a Teacher's Edition. However, we are aware that to make teaching and learning of English most effective and fruitful, particularly at the primary stage, the textbook needs to be complemented with audio-visual materials. We sincerely hope to do so in the near future.

My heartfelt gratitude goes to the curriculum developers, writers, illustrators and coordinator who worked under tremendous time constraint. But for their sincerity, commitment and hard work, it would not have been possible for the NCTB to develop the English textbook 'English For Today' make available to teachers and students all over the country by January 2013. As the book was developed within a very limited time, there is room for further development. Any constructive suggestions from anybody would help us improve the book.

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Say Who You Are





A Look, listen and say.



I'm Shamima Akhtar. I'm your teacher.

Who are you?

I'm Ali. I'm your student.





I'm Shirin. I'm in class four.

I'm Asma. I'm from Palashpur.





I'm Bijoy. I'm nine years old.





B Read aloud and act out in pairs.

Tina: Hello! My name's Tina. What's your name?



Rafi: My name's Rafi.

Tina: Where are you from, Rafi?

Rafi: I'm from Bhola. Where are you

from?

Tina: I'm from Sylhet. Where do you live?

Rafi: I live in Dhanmondi. What about you?

Tina: I live in Lalmatia. Which school do you go to?

Rafi: Palassy Government Primary School. And you?

Tina: I go to Maniknagar Primary School. I'm in class four.

Rafi: I'm in class four too. Look, I've to go now. Bye!

Tina: Bye!



Ask and answer in pairs. Use your own names and information about yourself. Here are some cues.

I'm, who are you? What's your name? Where are you from? Where do you live? How old are you? What's your school's name?



B2 Write about yourself using the above cues.

Hello! Hello! Hello!



A Listen to the song and repeat.

Hello, hello, hello!

How are you?

I'm very well,

Thank you, thank you.

And how are you?

I'm well, too.

Thank you, thank you.









B Listen, read and say.

Mita: Hello! I'm Mita.

Salam: I'm Salam. Nice to meet you.

Is that your friend?

Mita: Yes, this is Ayesha, my friend.

Salam: Hello, Ayesha! How are you?

Ayesha: Fine, thank you. And you?

Salam: I'm fine too. Thank you.



C Listen to the song on greetings and then

For greetings in the morning, say, 'Good morning'.

In the afternoon, say, 'Good afternoon'.

In the evening, say, 'Good evening'.

When taking leave say, 'See you' or 'Bye'. For taking leave at night say, 'Good night'. But never say, 'Good night' for greeting. This is the greeting song—Bye, bye, bye!

D Work in pairs and practise.

Hasan: Good morning, Sabina! a)

Sabina: Good morning, Hasan!

Hasan: Where are you going?

Sabina: I'm going to school.

Hasan: Okay, bye!

Students: Good afternoon, Sir! b)

Teacher: Good afternoon, Students!

Students: What shall we do today?

Teacher: We will play a word-game.

Students: Hurrah! Can we start?

c) Rimi: Good evening, Teacher!

Teacher: Good evening, Rimi! Have you done your

homework?

Rimi: Yes, I have.

Teacher: That's very good. See you in class tomorrow.

Rimi: See you. Good night, Sir!

Teacher: Good night!



D1 Match the greetings in column A with the replies in column B. One is done for you.

A	В
a. Good morning! How are you?	i. Good afternoon, Students!
b. Good afternoon, Sir!	ii. Good night. Bye!
c. Good evening!	iii. Good morning! I'm fine, thank you.
d. See you! Good night!	iv. Good evening!



A Family Tree





A Look at the picture of a family. How many people are there? What is their relationship? Discuss in pairs.





Now read the passage about Jamil Ahmed and his family.



Jamil Ahmed is from Bogra. He is a businessman. lives in a nice house with his family. In the picture you can see his family members.

Mr. Ahmed's wife is Parvin Ahmed. She is a banker. She

works in a local Bank. Mr. and Mrs. Ahmed have two children- a son and a daughter. The name of their son is Abeer Ahmed and the daughter's name is Farzana Ahmed. Abeer is older than Farzana. Abeer is seven years old and goes to a local primary school. Farzana is only four. She doesn't go to school.

Jamil Ahmed's parents also live with him. His father Altaf Uddin is sixty-five. He is a retired government officer. Mr. Ahmed's

mother Jahanara Begum is a home maker. Abeer and Farzana like their grandparents very much. Sometimes Abeer and Farzana play carom and ludu with their grandparents. Jahanara Begum often reads stories to her grandchildren.



B1 Ask and answer the questions about Abeer.

- a) Where is Abeer from?
- b) How many brothers and sisters does he have?
- c) Which school does he go to?
- d) What does his mother do?
- e) What is his father's name?
- How old is his grandfather?



B2 Work in pairs. Now, ask and answer the following questions.

- a) Where are you from?
- b) How many brothers and sisters do you have?
- c) Which school do you go to?
- d) What does your mother do?
- e) What is your father's name?
- Do you have grandparents? If yes, how old are they? f)



B3 Write a short paragraph about your own family.

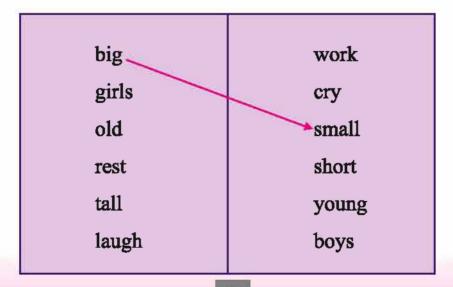


C Read aloud the poem on Family.

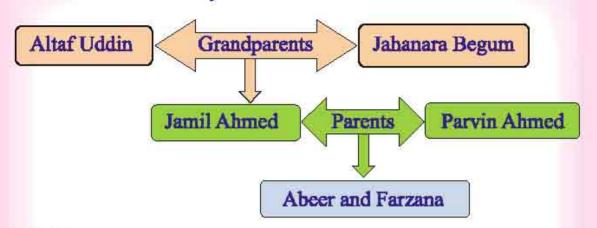
We're girls and boys,
We're big and small,
We're young and old,
We're short and tall.
We're everything
That we can be
And still we are a family.

We laugh and cry,
We work and play,
We help each other
Every day.
The world's a lovely
Place to be
Because we are a family.

C1 Match a word from the left column with a word that has opposite meaning in the right. The first one is done for you.



D Look at the family tree of Abeer and Farzana.





D1 In pairs, ask and answer questions about people in this family. For examples:

Student A: Who is Jahanara Begum?

Student B: She is the grandmother of Abeer and Farzana.

Student A: And, who are Abeer and Farzana?

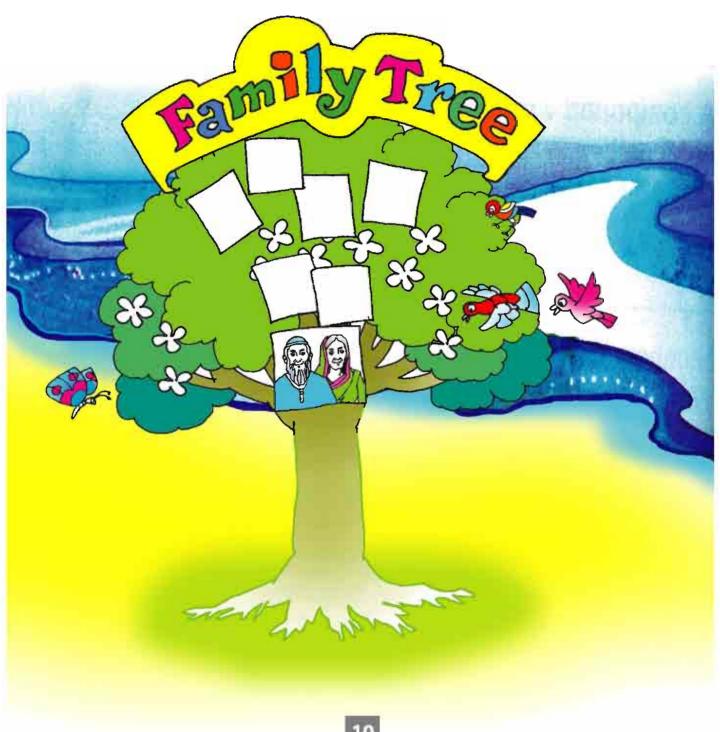
Student B: They are the grandchildren of Altaf Uddin and Jahanara Begum.



Language Focus: "be" verb in present simple

I	am	I'm	I'm not
You	are	You're	You aren't
He	is	He's	He isn't
She	is	She's	She isn't
It	is	ıt's	It isn't
We	are	We're	We aren't
They	are	They're	They aren't

D2 Make your own family tree using this model. Use the names/photos of your family members in the blanks.



Say It Right!-1







A Look, listen and say.

is for sun.

sh sh sh is for shoe.

is for zoo.

is for jeep.

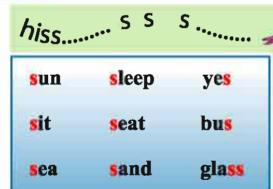
is for yes.

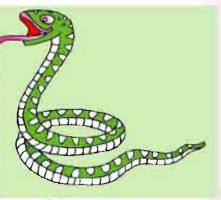






B Look, listen and say.





hiss..ss...ss..

ship sheep shirt hush bush short shoe shop sugar









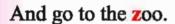
C Look, listen and say.

Sh ... shoe shoe ... find my shoe,

Z... zoo zoo ... zebra at the zoo.

Zip zip, zip your zipper.

Jump into the jeep.



Buzz ... buzz ... buzz, says the bee,

Let's go and see.

Zebra at the zoo.













D Look, listen and say.

j...j...jelly j...j...jam

j...j...jeep j...j...jump

j...j...Jack j...j...Jill

Jack and Jill went up a hill

To fetch a pail of water

Jack fell down and broke his crown

Jill came tumbling after.



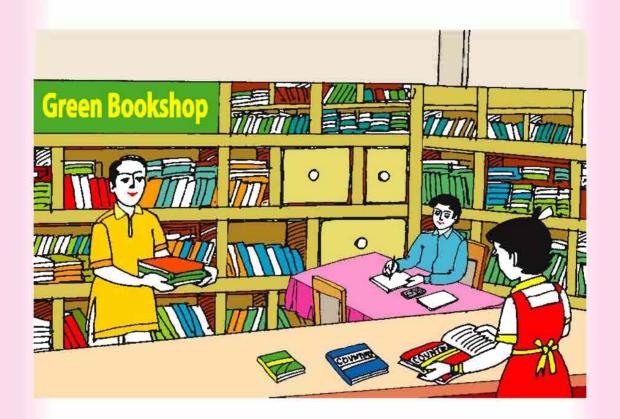


F Practise writing: Cursive capital letters.

	B	6	<i>9</i>)
6	F	G	H
J	J	H	S,
		0	Jo
0		J	
	Y.	M.,	X
Y	H		

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A Bookshop





Tania is in a bookshop. She is looking at a counting book. She opens a page and starts reading. You also look at the page and see if you can do the exercises there.

A Cardinal numbers



A1 Listen and match the numbers with the correct

101,	One hundred and twenty
102	One hundred and forty
103	One hundred and seventy
104	One hundred and two
105	One hundred and four
106	One hundred and fifty
107	One hundred and five
108	One hundred and three
109	One hundred and six
110	One hundred and eight
120	One hundred and ninety
130	One hundred and one
140	One hundred and sixty
150	Two hundred
160	One hundred and nine
170	One hundred and eighty
180	One hundred and ten
190	One hundred and thirty
200	One hundred and seven





Now listen and repeat.

One hundred and thirteen One hundred and thirty

One hundred and fourteen One hundred and forty

One hundred and fifteen One hundred and fifty

One hundred and sixteen One hundred and seventeen One hundred and eighteen One hundred and nineteen

One hundred and sixty One hundred and seventy One hundred and eighty One hundred and ninety



A3 Say these numbers in full.

149 135 151 162 174 188 196

A4 Write down the numbers 101-500 in your note book. Look at the numbers in A1 and follow the lead. After 110, continue with 111, 112 till 200, then from 201-299, then 300-399 and finally from 400-500.

B Buying things at a bookshop.





B1 Look at the picture. Talk about what you see here.

B2 Tania decides to buy the counting book and also some other things. Listen to the dialogue between Tania and the salesperson and circle only the items she buys.



Salesperson: Can I help you?

Tania: Oh yes, give me this counting book, please.

Salesperson: Anything else?

Tania: Yes, also one exercise book, two pens, two pencils, one sharpener and one eraser. No...no, sorry, no eraser please.

Salesperson: What else?

Tania: That's all. Thanks.

Salesperson: Any school bag, scales, colour pens or colour

pencils?

Tania: hmm...I have a school bag. I don't need it now. But yes, please give me this pencil bag. And give me five colour pencils but no scale or colour pens.

Salesperson: That's 295 taka.

Tania: Here you are.

Salesperson: You gave me 300 taka. Here is the change.

Tania: Thank you very much.

Salesperson: You are welcome!



Language Focus: Cardinal numbers

1, 2, 3, 4, 5 up to any number is called cardinal number.



C Write the cardinal numbers 1-50 in words. From 1 (one) to 20 (twenty) is done for you. Complete the rest.

1	One	18	Eighteen	35	
2	Two	19	Nineteen	36	***************************************
3	Three	20	Twenty	37	****************
4	Four	21	*************	38	**************
5	Five	22	*************	39	***************************************
6	Six	23	***************************************	40	*************
7	Seven	24	***************************************	41	***************************************
8	Eight	25	(****************	42	***************************************
9	Nine	26	***************************************	43	
10	Ten	27	****************	44	***************
11	Eleven	28	***************	45	***************************************
12	Twelve	29		46	
13	Thirteen	30	***************************************	47	***************************************
14	Fourteen	31	******************	48	***************************************
15	Fifteen	32	*************	49	*****************
16	Sixteen	33	***************************************	50	
17	Seventeen	34	***************************************		

D Ordinal numbers



D1 Read the following dialogue. Notice the words in bold. They refer to numbers. How are these numbers different from the numbers in dialogue B2?

Tania: Can I see the first book, please?

Salesperson: Oh sure. Here you go.

Tania: Oh...It's a book of maps. I like it. Please show me the

second book.

Salesperson: It's about tourist places in Bangladesh. You want

to see it?

Tania: Umm.... yes.... and the third one too.

Salesperson: It's a cooking book. Do you need this?

Tania: Oh, no. I don't want that. What about the fourth one?

Salesperson: The fourth one is on flowers of Bangladesh. And

the fifth one is on birds.

Tania: Can I see them?

Salesperson: Here you go.

Tania: Ok, give me all four books.

Salesperson: Sure.



Language Focus: Ordinal numbers

First, second, third, fourth these are called ordinal numbers. These are written as 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th,.... too.





D1 Listen to the instructions and fill in the gaps as directed.

Row	1st	3rd	4th	7th	10th
Column					
3					
*					

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Traffic Rules



A. Read the following poem. What is it about?

"Red light, red light, what do you say?"

"I say stop and stop right away."

"Yellow light, yellow light, what do you mean?"

"I mean wait until the light turns green."

"Green light, green light, what do you say?"

"I say go, but look both ways."

"Thank you, thank you, red, yellow, green,

"Now I know what the traffic lights mean."



B. Work with a partner. Look at the pictures and match them with the words in the box.

a. cross section	b. heavy traffic	c. traffic signal
d. hospital	e. no walking	f. zebra crossing
g. no horn	h. no over taking	















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B1. Work with a partner. Ask and answer.

- a. Where can you see some of the above signs?
- b. What does each colour in the traffic light mean?





C Listen to the traffic update and fill in the gaps.

Hello everyone! This is Nipa from Radio...... I'm here to give you the latest traffic updates of Dhaka City.



Language Focus: Giving instructions

Start a sentence with a verb in the present form to give instructions. Start a sentence with *Do not* + *verb* to make the instructions negative.



D The following instructions are not complete. Fill in the gaps with suitable words.

- a. Follow traffic rules. break traffic laws.
- b. Always drive on the left side. drive on the right side.
- c. foot over bridge to cross any road. Do not run on a busy street.
- d. Follow traffic signs.blow horn before a hospital or a school.
- e. Do not start your car when the red light is on. your car when the yellow light is on.

7

Classroom Language



A Read each instruction in the box and match with a picture.

sit down
write your name
close the book
put your hand up

clean the board stand up get your book out write on the board be quiet
make a line
open the book
make a circle



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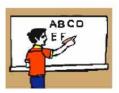
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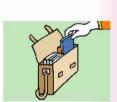
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11



12



A1 Listen and follow.

Teacher: Good morning, Students!

Students: Good morning, Teacher!

Teacher: How are you today?

Students: Fine, thank you.

Teacher: Well, everybody, take your book out, please.



Do not open your book now.

Listen to me first.

Look at the picture in my hand.

Do not make a noise.

Open your book at page 30.

Now, repeat the words after me.

Teacher: Jahid, stand up.

Come to the front, please.

Write your name and your father's name on the board.

Now, read out the names, please.

Well done! Clean the board and go back

to your seat.



B Work in pairs. Give and follow the instructions below in turns.

Open your bag.

Get your notebook and pencil out.

Draw the picture of a boat.

Do not show your picture to others.

Raise your hand when you have finished.

Do not put your hands down.

Listen to what I say.

Put your hands down.

C Requests: Read and act out the following dialogue in pairs. (Use your partner's name in the blank)

A: Excuse me, could you give me a pencil?

B: Sure. Here you are.

A: Thank you. Can I use your eraser, too?

B: No problem. Take it.

A: Thanks a lot,! Could you also give me a piece of paper, please?

B: Sorry, I can't. I don't have any extra paper.

A: That's Ok. Thanks anyway.



D Work in pairs. Use the phrases in the box to make requests using Can/Could?

borrow your pen
give me a glass of water
say that again
ask a question
speak to you
take a break now
lend me your book
repeat the question





Language Focus: Making requests

Can	1	borrow your pen?
Could	you	give me a pencil?
Will	you	give me a piece of paper?

Begin your sentence with can, could, will, would, may for making polite requests.

Say It Right!-2













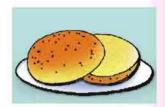


Cup cup cup, cup on a cup.

Cluck cluck, says the duck.

Hut hut hut, a hut in the sun.

Cut cut cut, can you cut the bun?









B Look, listen and say.

Open your mouth and say aa...aa...father.

Father, father, look at the car.

Where is it dear? It's near the park.









Say, hot hot hot

o... o... o... as in top.

What have you got?

Top top top, I've got a top.







D Look, listen and read.

Rice pudding hot
All in a pot
Some like it hot
Some like it not.







E Look, listen and read.





F Practise saying the following words using the right sounds.

The pot is hot.

He shot a bird.

The frock is too short.

She has spots on her face.

Do you play any **sport**?

Chittagong is a sea port.



G Practice writing: Cursive small letters.

a	b	\mathcal{C}	d
e		g	h
i	j	k	
m	n	0	þ
<u> </u>	Ž.	<u>s</u>	
W	v	W	\mathscr{X}
y	K)	- - -	



Days of the Week





A Listen and read.

There are seven days in a week:

'Sunday 'Monday 'Tuesday 'Wednesday

'Thursday 'Friday 'Saturday

Sunday is the first day of the week.

Monday is the second day of the week.

Tuesday is the third day of the week.

Wednesday is the fourth day of the week.

Thursday is the fifth day of the week.

Friday is the sixth day of the week.

Friday is a holiday in our country.

Saturday is the seventh day and also a holiday.

That means Sunday to Thursday are weekdays or working days.

And Friday and Saturday is the weekend.





B Listen, look and read.

Solomon Grundy, Born on Monday, Named on Tuesday, Married on Wednesday, Got ill on Thursday, Died on Friday, Buried on Saturday, Prayed for on Sunday.



That was the end of Solomon Grundy.



C Ask and answer in pairs.

What day is it today?	It is
What day was it yesterday?	It was
What day will it be tomorrow?	It will be
What is the first day of the week?	It is
What is the last day of the week?	It is



D Read the following passage aloud.

We went to Chittagong during the summer. On Friday, we started for Chittagong. On Saturday, we reached Chittagong. On Sunday, we went to Cox's

Bazar and played
on the beach. On

Monday, we went
to Saint Martin's

Island. On Tuesday,
we came back to

Cox's Bazar. On



Wednesday, we returned to Chittagong. On Thursday, we were back in Dhaka.



Language Focus: using 'on' before days

We use on before the day. Example: On Sunday we went to



Write the names of the seven days in cursive form.
Use both capital and small letters as needed.

Telling the Time





A Listen and read.

Sabina got a wall clock on her birthday. Her uncle gave it to her. But she doesn't know how to tell the time. So she took it to her teacher at school.

Sabina: Teacher, could you please teach us how to tell the time?

Teacher: Of course, I'll be happy to. Look at this clock. It has two hands. The short one is the hour hand and the long one is the minute hand. When the long hand is at twelve and the



short hand is at a number, it shows an hour. Look at the clock. The short hand is at one and the long hand is at twelve. It's one o'clock.





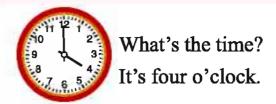
B Look and say.



What's the time? It's two o'clock.



What's the time? It's three o'clock.







C Look at the clocks and say the time.







t's..... It's.....

It's.....







It's..... It's.....

It's.....



When both the hands of a clock are at twelve, it's either twelve noon or twelve midnight.

For hours between twelve midnight to twelve noon, we say a.m. For hours between twelve noon to twelve midnight, we say p.m.





Mita is a student of class four.



She gets up at 6. She gets up at 6 a.m.



She has breakfast at 7. She has breakfast at 7 a.m.



She goes to school at 9. She goes to school at 9 a.m.



She comes back home at 5. She comes back home at 5 p.m.





D1 Look at the clocks and ask and answer questions about time.











D2 Copy the following questions in your note book and write true answers about yourself. Add a.m./ p.m. after the time. Use cursive capital and small letters as needed.

What time do you get up?
When do you have breakfast?
When do you go to school?
When do you come back home?
When do you go to bed?

1

Sagar and His Family



A Read the passage about Sagar and his family.

Sagar is a student of class four. He is nine years old. He has a

little sister Keya. She is only three. Sagar's father is a lawyer and his mother is a housewife. His grandfather was a school teacher. Grandpa helps Sagar do his homework and grandma makes the best 'Pithas' in the



world! Sagar is also very proud of his mother's garden. It has the best tomatoes and cucumbers in the neighbourhood.



A1 Fill in the blanks with a question word, such as what, who, where, why and how.

- a) does Sagar's father do?b) old is Keya?
- c)loves gardening?
- d) does grandma make?
- e) does Sagar feel proud?



A2 Now ask and answer the above questions in pairs.



B Read about a typical day in Sagar's life.

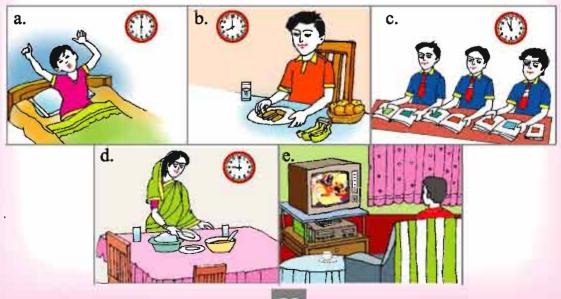
On weekdays Sagar gets up at 6 o'clock in the morning. He first says his prayers. Then he goes to his grandfather and studies English and Bangla with him. He has breakfast at 8 o'clock. Then he gets dressed. He puts on his school dress and shoes. He leaves home for school at 9 o'clock. School starts at 10 o'clock.

In the evening, Sagar does his homework. After that he spends some time with his grandparents. He tells them stories about his school and friends. He has dinner at 9 p.m. After dinner he sometimes watches TV. He goes to bed at 10 p.m.





B1 Look at the pictures and say what the people are doing.







B2 Look at the pictures in B1 again and fill in the blanks with words in the box.

8 o'clock	6 o'clock		11 a.m.
watching	getting up		serving
after dinner	having breakfast	dinner	studying

a)	It's
	Sagar is
b)	It's
	He's
c)	It's
	Sagar is in the classroom.
d)	It's time.
	Mother is dinner.
e)	It's
	Sagar isTV.



B3 Write in short about your daily routine.

The Weekend



C Read the text on Sagar's weekend.

It's different on Friday. Friday is the weekly holiday or the weekend. On Friday, Sagar goes to the mosque with his grandfather at noon. In the afternoon he and Keya sometimes go to visit their uncle and aunt. They love playing with their cousins there. In the evening, Sagar watches TV or reads story books or draws pictures. He goes to bed at 10 p.m.





C1 Read the following statements and say if they are True or False. If False, then give the correct answer.

- a) On Friday Sagar does not go anywhere at noon.
- b) He visits his aunt and uncle in the evening.
- c) Keya and Sagar have no cousins.
- d) Sunday is the weekend.
- e) The weekend is different from other days of the week.



C2 Write a small paragraph on how you spend your weekend. Language Focus: at/in + time



On weekdays Sagar gets up at 6 o'clock in the morning.	in	the morning
In the afternoon he and Keya sometimes go to visit their uncle and aunt.	in	the afternoon
In the evening, Sagar does his homework.	in	the evening
At night, he sleeps with his grandfather.	at	noon/night



Language Focus: Questions with Wh-words and do/does

What	do	1	read
Who	do	you	know
Where	does	he	live
When	does	she	get up
Why	does	it	move
How	do	we	learn
	do	they	call



Language Focus: Statements in the present continuous tense.

I	am	having	breakfast
You	are	reading	a magazine
He	is	playing	Ludu
She	is	watching	TV
It	is	making	sound
We	are	enjoying	music
You	are	practising	English
They	are	doing	homework

Clap Your Hands





A Listen and say.



'music	'tap
a 'round	be 'gin
bow '	'move
high	be 'low
	a 'round 'bow '



Language Focus: Stress

Stress is the force given to a syllable in a word. This mark (*) shows which syllable is stressed.





B Listen to the rhyme and sing.

'Clap 'clap 'clap 'Clap your 'hands 'Listen to the 'music And 'clap your 'hands



'Move 'move 'move

'Move your 'head

From 'side to 'side

Now 'stop and 'rest.



'Tap 'tap 'tap

'Tap your 'foot

'Turn a'round

And 'bow to 'me.





C Listen, clap and say.

'Come here. 'Go there.

'Stand up. 'Sit down.

'Take a 'chalk. 'Catch the 'ball.

'Try a'gain. That's 'good.

'Hurry up. 'Go 'home.

'Time for 'bed. 'Go to 'sleep.



'Brush, 'brush, 'brush your 'teeth, 'Brush them 'every 'day. 'Father, 'mother, 'sister, 'brother, 'Every, 'every 'day.





'Drink, 'drink, 'drink some 'milk, 'Drink some 'every 'day. 'Father, 'mother, 'sister, 'brother, 'Every, 'every 'day.

'Eat, 'eat, 'eat some 'fruit, 'Eat some 'every 'day. 'Father, 'mother, 'sister, 'brother, 'Every, 'every 'day.





'Take, 'take, 'take a 'bath, 'Every, 'every 'day. 'Father, 'mother, 'sister, 'brother, 'Every, 'every 'day.

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Foods and Meals

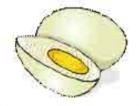


Look at the pictures of different food items. The names of the food items are given in the box. Choose the right name for each picture and write it down below the picture.

chicken sweet bread egg mixed vegetables fish curry snacks sandwich rice and fish fried rice milk and cereal toast, egg fry and juice









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B Listen and read the dialogue below. Then underline the plural words.

Salesperson: Good morning! How can I help you?

Rumi: Hi! Good morning! Can I have two pieces of bread and

butter and one egg fry, please?

Salesperson: Ok, one piece of bread and butter and two egg

fries, right?

Rumi: Oh no, I want two pieces of bread and one egg fry.

And hmm...do you have any juice?

Salesperson: Sorry, no. We don't have any juice now. But you

can have milk.

Rumi: Ok, then give me some milk, please.

Salesperson: One bottle?

Rumi: No, two bottles, please.

Salesperson: We have some fresh mangoes. Would you like some?

Rumi: Oh, yes! Give me one mango, too.



Language Focus: singular and plural nouns

Singular	Plural	s/es/ies
one piece of bread	two pieces of bread	+ s
one egg fry	two egg fries	y + ies
one mango	two mangoes	+ es





B1 Read the following text. Use the words in brackets in singular/plural to fill in the gaps.

Emon is a student of class four. He loves eating. One day he went

to a food shop with his mother. First, he ate an (egg roll). Then he took two (sandwich). They had two (glass) of coke too. Emon wanted to have more. His mother said, "Don't take too much food at a time". Later they went to another shop. Her mother bought some.....(candy),.....(apple), (mango) and a few (can) of fruit juice for Emon and his sister.



C Listen and read.

Joya: Mom, do we have any milk in the fridge?

Mom: Sorry, dear, we don't. But we have some juice.

Joya: I don't want any juice now.

Mom: Well, I can make some hot chocolate for you.

Joya: Do we have any ice-cream, Mom?

Mom: Look into the fridge. There may be some.

But don't take any ice-cream now.

You have got cold.

Joya: Ok, then maybe I'll have some chocolate.



Language Focus: some and any

Use any to make questions and negative statements. Use some to make positive statements.



C1 Work in pairs. Ask your friend what she or he has in the school bag. Use Do you have.....+ water, nuts, snacks, fruits, juice, etc. Follow the example below.

Students A: Do you have any school bag?

Students B: Yes. I do. I have some

Or No, I don't have any.



Read the following texts. What are they about?

Hi! I'm Alex. I'm British. I take my breakfast by 8 o'clock in the morning. On weekdays, I usually have milk, cereal and banana with a mug of tea or coffee for my breakfast. Sometimes I take bread and



butter, cheese, marmalade and omelette or egg fry. I also drink juice. Orange juice is my favourite. I like apple juice, too. On weekends, I don't take breakfast. I take early lunch.

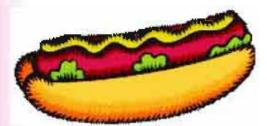
Hi! I'm Kabita. I'm Bangladeshi. I have my breakfast around 8



o'clock. Roti, paratha, vegetables, dal and sweets are common breakfast items in our country. In the urban areas, people also take bread, butter, jam and eggs as breakfast.

Many people eat rice with mashed potato, vegetables or fish. But I don't like rice in the morning. I usually have *roti with* vegetables and egg.

Hi! I'm Hanna. I'm from Saudi Arabia. I eat my breakfast around



9:30 in the morning. We have our own type of sandwich in Saudi Arabia. It's long in shape. I eat a chicken sandwich in the morning.

Sometimes I take *khubj* (a kind of round bread) with pulse paste, tuna, salad or eggs. Oh, juice is a part of our breakfast. I like mango juice very much.



D1 Read the sentences below and correct the information.

- 1. Alex likes mango juice.
- 2. On weekends, Alex takes heavy breakfast.
- 3. All people in Bangladesh take rice in the morning.
- 4. Kabita takes some rice everyday in her breakfast.
- 5. Khubj is a kind of long bread.
- 6. Milk is a part of Saudi breakfast.



E Now write about yourself.

i. What time do you take your breakfast?
ii. What do you eat for your breakfast everyday?
iii. What don't you like to eat in your breakfast?
iv. Do you take any drink in your breakfast?
v. What's your favourite drink?



Write a short paragraph on your breakfast habit.
Use the information in section E.



Tune up!

A Look, listen and say. If you like what you see in the pictures, say ummm.... () the way your teacher says it. If you don't, say ummm () as your teacher says.





Language Focus

When we talk, our voice may go up () or come down (). The rise and fall of voice express meaning. This rise and fall of voice is also used for questions and answers. For questions that begin with what, when, where, why, who and how – our voice goes down. In statements, our voice goes down too.

In questions that do not start with wh-words and can be answered with yes/no, our voice usually goes up.



Are you 'Ruma? 'Yes, I 'am.

Are you in class 'five? 'No, I'm 'not.

Do you live 'here? 'No, I 'don't.

Do you like 'flowers? 'Yes, I 'do.

Can you 'swim? 'Yes, I 'can .

Can you'fly? 'No, I 'can't.



What's your 'name? My name's 'Milan.

Where do you 'live? I 'live near 'here.

How 'old are 'you? I'm 'nine years 'old.

Why are you 'here? I'm 'here to 'learn.

When did you come here? Ten minutes a'go



Write It Well-1

Full stop Question mark Exclamation mark





A Full stop. Read and say. What mark can you see at the end of each sentence? (•)

Mita Chowdhury is a teacher. She teaches English. Rina is in class now. Rina, come to the board. Write down your full name. Now go back to your seat. Children, take your books out. Open at page 22. Don't talk Shihab. Open your book.



Language Focus: (•) Full stop

We use the full stop (•) to end statements and mild commands. Remember that a sentence always starts with a capital letter. Also, a name of a person or a place (proper noun) starts with a capital letter.



A1 Use full stop and capital letter in the text below.

manik is nine years old his father works in the fields he is a farmer he has two sisters he often plays with them it is now summer holidays manik is helping his father in the field his sisters are sitting under a tree they are waiting for manik they want to play with him





B Question mark. Read and say the following sentences.



What's your name?

Where do you live?

Do you play any games?

Can you swim?

Do you like ice-cream?

Are you a student?





Language Focus

Look at the mark at the end of each sentence. This mark looks like a human ear. This is question mark. We use this mark after questions.



B1 Use question mark and capital letter.

do you live here where do you play is she your friend are you two classmates can you use the computer







C Exclamation mark. Read, listen and say.

The film was wonderful! This is a beautiful place! You look great!





Language Focus: Exclamation mark

This is an exclamation mark. We use exclamation mark after statements that express strong feelings.







C1 Read, listen and say.

Go home immediately! Come here right now! Bravo! You got the scholarship! Hurrah! We won the game!



Language Focus: Exclamation mark

We also use exclamation mark after strong commands and interjections (i.e. words expressing strong feelings.)



D Use exclamation mark and capital letter.

stop immediately that's wonderful great how beautiful you are the champion

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Write It Well-2

Comma







A Read, listen and say. Where can you see the mark (,) in each sentence?

i) Yes, I like to play football.

No, I don't like wrestling.

Well, I like swimming too.

Oh, I almost forgot about the match!





Language Focus: Comma

This mark is called 'comma'. We use comma to separate yes, no and words such as oh, well, etc. from the rest of the sentence.



- ii) I've visited Bhutan, India and Nepal. He'll buy some pencils, pens, erasers and note books. I like banana, guava, papaya and mango.
- Runa, ask me a question. iii)

Shahid, what did Runa ask me?

Munir, can you answer that?

Can I ask you something, Rita?



Language Focus: Comma



We also use comma to separate three or more items in a series. We put comma after each item except the last. We also use comma after or before we address somebody. Look at these words I've, He'll The mark (') used here is an apostrophe, not a comma. We'll learn about it later.



A1 Use comma, full stop and question mark in the following sentences.

Rina Rubi Sagar and Kamal are friends



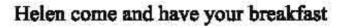
Yes they were going to class

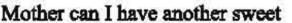
No they don't go by bus



How do they go to school

Well they walk





Yes dear





B Review of punctuation marks.

Use capital letter, full stop, comma, exclamation and question mark in the following sentences as necessary.

- is hasna hena a painter
- Ъ. no she is not
- she is a teacher
- d. what does she teach
- e. she teaches English
- does she like teaching f.
- yes she does g.
- h. she is a wonderful teacher







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The Hen and the Chicks



A Read the text aloud.

Chick 1: This work is hard! It's hot in the sun.

Chick 2: The mouse, the duck and the dog have fun.

Chick 3: Why can't we play and jump and run?

Hen: You will all find out when the work is done.



Dog: That's yummy bread! It smells so fine!

Mouse: I want a taste. What part is mine?

Duck: I want some too. When do we dine?

Hen: You would not plant or pick or cook.

All chickens: So you can't eat!

Just stand and look.



A1 Read the text in section A silently again.

- i. Find the full stop at the end of some sentences. Copy the sentences in your notebook.
- ii. Tick the right answer:

The sentences with the full stop

- a) tell something
- b) ask something



A2 Read the text in section A silently again.

- i) Find the question mark at the end of some sentences.Copy the sentences in your notebook.
- ii) Tick the right answer.

The sentences with the question mark

- a) tell something
- b) ask something



A3 Read the text in section A silently.

- i. Find the exclamation mark at the end of some sentences. Copy the sentences in your notebook.
- ii. Tick the right answer.

The sentences with exclamation mark

- a) ask something
- b) express storng feelings



A4 First copy each sentence below in your notebook.

Then put a full stop, a question mark or an exclamation mark as necessary.

- i. Amina loves flowers
- ii. Her friend has given Amina some flowers
- iii. How many flowers does she have in her hands
- iv. What colours are the flowers
- v. She puts the flowers in a jug
- vi. Amina looks at the flowers
- vii. How beautiful they look
- viii. They have such bright colours
- ix. She smiles
- x. Is she happy or sad





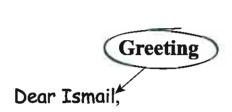
Perform the play 'The Hen and the Chicks' in groups.

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A Letter to a Friend



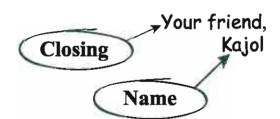
A Read the letter.



January 15, 2013

Date

It is very cold in Dhaka now. We have no school today. Father and I will go to buy some warm clothes. I want to buy a warm cap. I can wear it in the evenings when I go out. How are you? Write soon.





Al Look at the different parts of the letter and answer the following questions:

- i) Can you find the comma in the letter? How many commas are there?
- When was the letter written? Where is the comma? ii)
- Who got the letter? Where is the comma? iii)
- iv) The closing comes just before the name. Where is the comma?



Language Focus

We use comma between the day of the month and year.	e.g. January 15, 2013
Use a comma after addressing somebody.	e.g. Dear Mary,
Use comma for closing a letter before you write your name.	e.g. Your friend, Rana



A2 Follow the model in 'A' and write a letter to a friend telling about your teacher. Use non-cursive capital and small letters.

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The Pocket

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A Listen, read and say.

Today when I Was at the zoo, I watched the mother Kangaroo.

Inside her skin She has a pocket. She puts her baby There to rock it!



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Months of the Year







A Listen, read and say.

How many months are there in a year? There are twelve months in a year.

Which month is it now? Do you know the names of the other months? What are they? Learn how to say them.



Now learn how to say names of the months.

'January, 'February, 'March, 'April, 'May, 'June, Ju'ly,

'August, Sep'tember, Oc'tober, No'vember, De'cember

See how they come one after another.

'January is the 1st month of the year.

'February is the 2nd month of the year.

'March is the 3rd month of the year.

'April is the 4th month of the year.

'May is the 5th month of the year.

'June is the 6th month of the year.

Ju'ly is the 7th month of the year.

'August is the 8th month of the year.

Sep'tember is the 9th month of the year.

Oc'tober is the 10th month of the year.

No'vember is the 11th month of the year.

De'cember is the 12th month of the year.



B Fill in the blanks.

- 5. The last month of the year is



There are 365 days in a year.

A Leap Year has 366 days. That means a Leap Year has one day more. Do you know what a Leap Year is? Every fourth year is a Leap Year.

There are twelve months in a year.

Some months have thirty days, some thirty one. Only one month has twenty eight days. But every fourth year, that is, in a Leap Year, this month has 29 days instead of 28 days.

Do you know which it is? Well, it's February.



D Read the poem below and learn about how many days each month has.

Thirty days has September,
April, June and November;
All the rest have thirty-one
Except in February alone
Which has twenty eight days clear,
And twenty nine in each Leap Year.



D1 Copy the poem in your notebook. Use non-cursive form of writing.



Reading the Calendar





A Listen, look and read.

Do you know what a calendar is? It is a record of the days, dates and months of a year. Look at the calendar below. It's a page for the month of January for the year 2013.

January 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

The first day of the month is the first of January. It is a Tuesday. The next day is the second of January, Wednesday. The last day of the month is the thirty first of January, Thursday. The day before it is the thirtieth of January, Wednesday.





B Look at the calendar and then answer the following questions.

1.	what day is the 8 th of the month?
2.	What day is the 10 th of the month?
3.	What day is the 2 nd of the month?
4.	What day is the 15 th of the month?
5.	What day is the 25th of the month?
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C Quiz: Test your general knowledge. Take any month of the year from a calendar and answer the following questions.

- 1. How many Fridays are there in the month?
- 2. How many Saturdays are there in the month?
- How many Sundays are there in the month? 3.
- 4. How many Mondays are there in the month?
- How many Tuesdays are there in the month? 5.
- How many Wednesdays are there in the month? 6.
- How many Thursdays are there in the month? 7.



A Day Out





A Look at the picture and describe it.







B Listen to the story and fill in the gaps.

Hi! I'm Amal. I went to a picnic yesterday. My parents, some of our family friends, my sister and I went together. We went to Jirabo. It's a beautiful 1) The village has many green fields and trees. The hijal and tamal trees are really wonderful! A tiny 2) flows through the village. You can see

fields there. Many of them are full of egg plants, beans, gourds, pumpkins and different kinds of 3)........................... We had our picnic beside a bamboo bush.

friends. We played hide and sick and gollachut. My dad is a good cook. So he cooked the 6)...... Some uncles and aunts helped him. The food was really great. We ate a lot. In the 7)..... we went to see the village. We village talked to farmers some women. and 8)...... We bought some fresh vegetables from the farms and ate some snacks from the local 9) It was great fun! We came back home around 9 p.m. There was heavy 10) on the way but we were not tired at a11.



C Read the text below and answer the following questions.

Hi friends, I'm Kusum. I'm just back from Narail. Do you know why I went there? I went to see my grandma and other relatives.

They live in a small village in Narail. The name of the village is Gobra. My grandma was so happy to see me. She cooked many special foods for me.



I visited the famous painter Sultan's house and saw his paintings. They were amazing! Then I saw Sultan's boat in the river Chitra. The boat and the river both were beautiful! I went to 'Sultan Mela' in the afternoon. I liked Narail town too. It is a small town but very green, calm and quiet. People here are very friendly. I went to my grandma only for a day. The whole day passed very quickly. Now I'm back home but I'm missing everything in Narail.





C1 There are four options for each question. Read them and tick ($\sqrt{}$) the right answers.

- Why did Kusum go to Narail? 1.
 - to see her grandma a.
 - to see her relatives **b**.
 - to see her grandma and relatives c.
 - to see her grandma and Sultan d.
- 2. Where does Kusum's grandmother live?
 - in Narail a.
 - **b**. in Gobra
 - in Chitra c.
 - in Sultan Mela d.
- 3. How is Narail?
 - big but calm and quiet a.
 - green but unfriendly **b**.
 - friendly but not beautiful c.
 - small but green d.

4. How long did Kusum stay with her grandma?

- a. only for a month
- b. only for a week
- c. only for a day
- d. only for a year



Language Focus: Simple Past Tense

Use of irregular verbs	Present	Past
I went to see my grandma and other relatives.	go	went
We had our picnic beside a bamboo bush.	have	had
I also visited Sultan's house and saw his paintings.	see	saw

Use of regular verbs

We enjoyed the time enough.	enjoy	enjoyed
I played in the open green fields with my friends.	play	played
She cooked many special foods for me.	cook	cooked
I also visited Sultan's house and saw his paintings.	visit	visited
I liked Narail town too.	like	liked
The whole day passed very quickly.	pass	passed

We use simple past tense to tell about a finished action.



C2 Work in pairs and ask the questions to your friend. Write the responses in the blank spaces.

a.	Did you go to any day out? (If not, then imagine that you visited a place or that you went out somewhere.)
	•••••
ъ.	Where did you go?

c.	Who was with you?
d.	When did you go?
e.	What was special there?



C3 Now use this information in C2 and write a small paragraph on your day out experience.

Holiday



A Listen to the dialogue. Then work in pairs and act out.

Tania: Moloy, how is everything?

Moloy: Not bad. But I'm very busy now for the exams.

Tania: Oh yes. We all are busy. By the way, what are you doing

after the exams?

Moloy: Umm....I'm going on a holiday trip.

Tania: Where are you going?

Moloy: Cox's Bazar.

Tania: Cox's Bazar! Really!! Wow!!! But who are you going

with?

Moloy: With my parents. How about you?

Tania: No plan this time. Maybe we'll go to our village home at

Lalmanirhat.



A1 Work in pairs. Ask and answer the following questions:

- a. Have you ever been to any holiday trip? Where did you go?
- b. If not, where would you like to go?





2 Look at the picture. Describe what you see.







Read the letter and answer the following questions:

1 November, 2013

Hi Jenny!

Thanks for your mail. I'm happy to know that you had a wonderful holiday at Oxford, I have only heard about Oxford and Cambridge from others. But now your letter tells me a lot about Oxford. I'm also going on holiday next week.

My exams will finish on 23 November. The next day, we will go to Dhaka by train and stay with my uncle's family. The day after, I'll go to Cox's Bazar with my parents by bus. It takes 10 to 12 hours from Dhaka to Cox's Bazar. We are also planning to see Inani Beach, Himchari and Maheshkhali.

Do you know that Cox's Bazar has the largest beach in the world?

It's more than 125 kilometres long. I'm very exited!

That's all for today. I will write to you again soon.

Love,

Moloy



B1 Questions

Who is the writer of the letter?
•••••
Who will get the letter?
Where did Jenny go recently?
•••••
Why did she go there?
Where is Moloy going for his holiday?

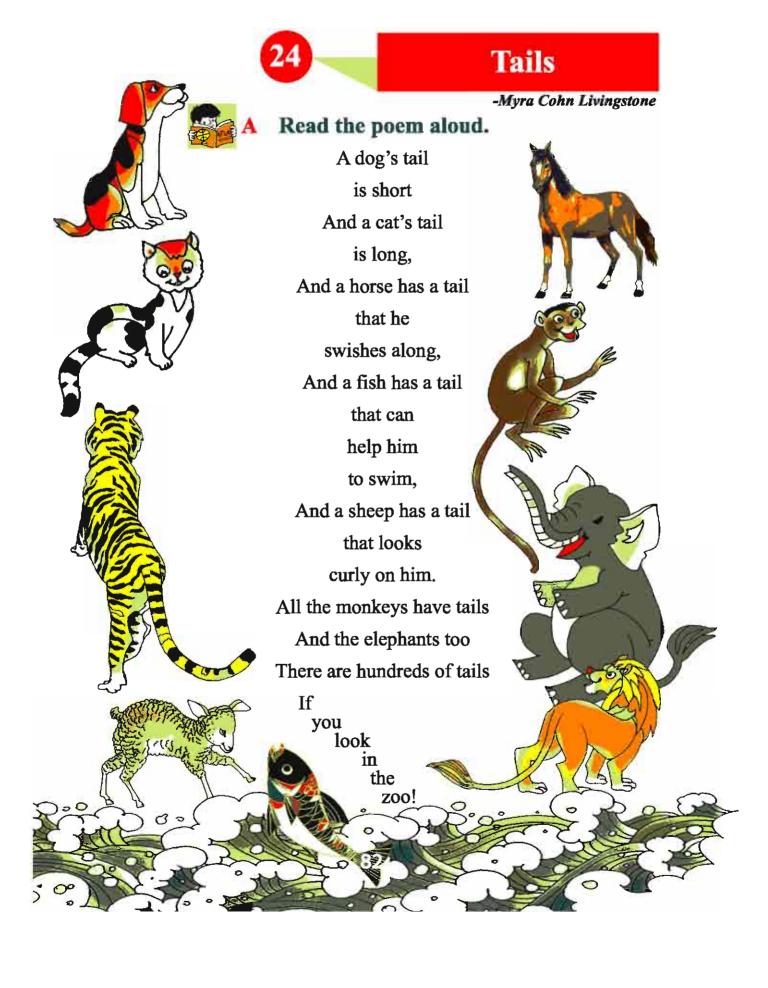


C Imagine that you are going on a holiday trip. Write short answers to the following questions in the gaps.

b. When will you go?
c. How will you go?
d. Who will you go with?
e. How long will you stay there?
f. What will you see?
g. Why is the place interesting or special?
h. How many hours will it take to go there from yo
town/village?



D Now use the hints in Section C and write a letter about your holiday plan. Use non-cursive form of writing.



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A Day in a Garment Worker's Life



A Look at the pictures. Choose words that match a picture and write down the words below the picture.

a farmer, a teacher, a boatman, a postman, a doctor, a singer, a dentist, a cleaner, a nurse, a photographer















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B Look at the pictures. Say who they are and what they are doing.









C Read the passage and answer the following questions:

I'm Reshma. I'm a garment worker in Dhaka. I'm eighteen years old. Eight years ago my family came to Dhaka from Kurigram. I was in class five then. There was a famine in Kurigram that year. There were no crops, no food and no work in the North. So our family came to Dhaka. My father was a rickshaw puller. He died in an accident. We were helpless. My uncle Ratan helped us. He took me to a garment factory in Mirpur area. I now work there. My younger brother is Babul. He's seven and goes to a Govt. primary school. We live with our mother. She stitches nakshi

kathas at home and sells them to others. We live in a small house at Kalyanpur.

My factory is two kilometers away from my house. In the morning, I start with many other workers. Some friends go by bus or by rickshaw. But I go on foot. My work is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. In my free time, I like to go to cinema. But I don't have enough time or money. So I often work overtime till 8 p.m. Thus I can earn more money.



C1 Ask and answer the following questions. The first one is done for you.

- a. What does Reshma do?
 - Ans. Reshma is a garment worker.
- b. Who is Babul?
- c. How long does Reshma usually work?
- d. What does Reshma like to do in her free time?
- e. Where is the garment factory?
- f. How does Reshma go to work?



C2 First fill in the blanks with a question word to complete the sentences. Then match the questions in the left column with the answers in the right column. One is done for you.

1How old is Reshma?	a. She works in a garment factory.
2 does she go to work?	b. Reshma is 18.
3 did Reshma's family come to Dhaka?	c. because she can then get some extra money.
4does Reshma do?	d. Her uncle Ratan helped her.
5 does Reshma work overtime?	e. 8 years ago.
6 helped Reshma in Dhaka?	f. She goes to work on foot.



C3 Complete the following dialogue between a reporter and a garment worker.

Reporter: What's?
Garment worker:Toma.
Reporter: How old?
Garment worker: fifteen.
Reporter: Wherefrom?
Garment worker:from Pabna.
Reporter: Where live?
Garment worker: I Dhaka.
Reporter: How muchearn?
Garment worker: Tk. 4000 per month.





D Write a paragraph on a domestic help or a rickshaw puller or choose a person you like. Ask the questions in C3 as cues to write the paragraph.

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The Lion and the Mouse





A Listen and read.







Once there was a lion in a forest. It was big and strong. One day it was sleeping. A mouse was playing nearby. Suddenly the mouse got into the nose of the lion. The lion woke up and caught the mouse. The lion was angry and said, "I'll kill you." The mouse was afraid and begged for its life, "Sir, please let me go. I may be of help to you some day!" The lion laughed, "You are so small. How can you help me?" But he let it go.

Hunters lay traps to catch animals. Another day the lion was caught in a trap. He tried to get out, but could not. He roared and roared. The mouse heard the roar and came quickly. The rat said, "Sir, please wait. I'll help you." The mouse started to cut the rope of the trap with its sharp teeth. After some time, the lion became

free. He was very happy and said, "Thank you little mouse. Now I know even small ones can help big ones."



B Circle the right answer:

1. Who was sleeping?

- a. a lion
- b. a mouse

2. What was the mouse doing?

- a. playing
- b. sleeping

3. Who saved the lion?

- a. the mouse
- b. the hunters



C Fill in the gaps with appropriate words.

1. A lion was under a tree. 2. Suddenly a mouse got into the nose. 3. The lion the mouse. 4. The mouse for its life. 5. The lion let the mouse 6. Another day the lion was caught in a 7. The lion and the mouse came quickly. 8. The mouse the rope of the trap. 9. The lion free.



10. The lion the mouse.

D Copy the completed sentences in section C in cursive form in your notebook.



E Now take turns to tell the story to others.

The End

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