

DELHI MODERN PUBLIC SCHOOL, PAMPORE

Class: 4th

Subject: English

Study Material: Term-I

Lesson no. 6

Topic : The Rarest Animal of All

INTRODUCTION:

This story is taken from Hugh Lofting 's novel " The story of Doctor Dolittle". Dr Dolittle was able to talk to any animal in its own language and he sails around the world helping animals everywhere. Dr Dolittle was invited to Africa to cure an epidemic that spread between the monkeys.

When the monkeys came to know about the poor financial conditions of Dr Dolittle , they decided to help him. The monkeys decided to give Dr Dolittle a pushmi- pullyu , so that he can put on show in the Land of Men and Doctor would get rich and could pay for the boat he had borrowed to come to Africa .The pushmi- pullyu was the rarest animal in the world that is now extinct. It was almost impossible to catch him because pushmi- pullyu had a head at each end and only one half of him slept at a time. But the monkeys knew how to catch him and set out to find one.

After a while , they returned with a strange – looking animal . At first pushmi- pullyu refused to come as he was very shy but the monkeys persuaded him to meet Dr Dolittle by explaining to him that he would not be locked in a zoo but would just be looked at . In the end, the pushmi- pullyu decided to go with the Doctor because after seeing his face and the way he treated his pet animals , the pushmi- pullyu felt that he was a man to be trusted . The pushmi – pullyu made the Doctor promise that if he did not like the Land of Men , the Doctor would send him back.

Day 1:

Read page no. 50 and 51 of the lesson carefully and underline the following words:

1)Beloved 2) Encounter 3) Rarest 4)Terribly 5)Guessed 6)Escape 7)Certainly
8)Borrowed 9)Stared 10)Persuade

Note: Find the synonyms of the above words and write them in your notebook.

Day 2:

Read page no.52 and 53 of the lesson carefully and underline the following words:

1) Gazing 2) Creature 3) Fortune 4) Sensible 5) Murmured 6) Promise.

Note: Frame sentences for the above given words and write them in your notebook.

Day 3:

Recapitulate the important points regarding the topic and learn the spellings of all the underlined words.

Day 4:

Book work:(Write objective type questions neatly on book)

D) Fill in the blanks:

1) conversation 2) discovery 3) genius 4) languages 5) civilized 6) clumsy

E) Tick (✓) the correct answer:

1) break through 2) go with 3) looked at 4) stared at 5) knocked on

F) Unscramble the words:

1) extinct 2) menagerie 3) fortune 4) sensible 5) promise 6) doctor

Note: Learn book portion properly.

Day 5:

Grammar fun: (Write grammar portion on book)

G) underline the possessive adjectives in the sentences.

1) his 2) your 3) their 4) its 5) Our 6) Her

H) Write whether the underlined words are possessive pronoun or possessive adjectives:

1) Possessive adjectives 2) possessive pronoun 3) possessive adjective

4) possessive pronoun 5) possessive adjective 6) possessive adjective.

I) Listening and speaking

1) jungles 2) mind 3) fortune 4) emails 5) read 6) doctor

J) Do it yourself

K) Do it yourself.

Note: Learn grammar portion properly .

Day 6:

A) Reference to the context: (Answers)

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a) These words were spoken by the pushmi-pullyu to the monkeys.

b) The monkeys asked the pushmi-pullyu if he would go with Doctor Dolittle and be put on show in the Land of Men.

c) After making the statement , the pushmi-pullyu almost began to cry.

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- a) Dab-Dab , the duck said these words to Dr Dolittle.
- b) Dab –Dab wanted the Doctor to think sensibly when he said that he was going to make a new boat.
- c) After listening to Dab – Dab’s words, the Doctor agreed that the pushmi- pullyu would be a nice new kind of pet.

Note: Write reference to the context on your notebook and learn them.

Day 7:

Working with the text: (Write textual question/answers on notebook)

B)

- 1) A pushmi- pullyu was an animal that was found in Africa , but is now extinct. They had no tail , but a head at each end , and sharp horns on each head.
- 2) Only one- half of a pushmi- pullyu slept at a time . The other – half would always be awake and watching . This made them extremely difficult to catch and therefore, they were never seen in zoos.
- 3) The monkeys persuaded the pushmi- pullyu to meet Dr Dolittle by explaining to him that he would not be locked in a zoo but would just be looked at.
- 4) Chee- Chee suggested to Dr Dolittle that he should take the pushmi- pullyu home with him where people would pay any money to see him.
- 5) In the end , the pushmi- pullyu decided to go with the Dr Dolittle . He asked Dr Dolittle to promise him that if he did not like the Land of Men, the Doctor would send him back.

Note: Learn these question/answers properly and do practise of them on rough.