FOREWORD

Every little flower is beautiful.
Every little child is wonderful.

Keeping this in mind the second Standard English text book is designed with a view of making the tiny tots enjoy the process of learning. Sufficient care has been taken to present this book suitable for the equitable education.

The prose pieces are selected to make the child know the soft relationships in and around the family; respecting grand parents, caring pet animals, participating in competitions, understanding the values of life, like loving, caring, sharing, working together, doing good to undo evil, realizing the real beauty, nature and its abundant blessings, concepts of school, supermarket etc.

The poetry collection is aimed at helping the child to appreciate beauty and admire the similar sounding words. The colourful fish in the fish tank, funny movements of monkeys and frogs singing in tune may take the child to the world of fantasy. Action song and tick tock of the clock will make the child understand the value of exercises and time management.

The tint of grammar exercises like singular, plural, nouns, verbs, adjectives and prepositions are in a play way method. Note to the teacher has been provided in pink colour blocks, so that the teacher can facilitate the child to learn in ease. Innovative activities are included to boost the creative skills of the child. Freedom of thought and expressions are allowed to enhance the communicative skills of the child. Colourful pictures are splashed in the book to attract the attention of the child.

In every piece of writing, a moral or value has been sandwiched.
Value added education is the need of the hour.
Value packed education is aimed at through this book.
The book does not end. It continues .......... with smiles.
Pre-reading activity:

⇒ Your mother has brought a bag of fruits and vegetables from the market. Help her separate them.
⇒ Apples, cauliflowers, pineapples, brinjals, cucumbers, grapes, chillies, bananas and carrots.
⇒ Now keep the fruits in the tray and vegetables in the basket.

Do you know? Where do we get fresh fruits and vegetables?

It was a hot summer day.

Tinku was playing cricket with his friends. After two matches, he felt very tired and thirsty.

He went to a nearby shop and asked for a tender coconut.

He drank the sweet water from it and felt refreshed.

- tender - easy to chew or bite
- refreshed - feel fresh again
He asked the shop-keeper how it was so refreshing. He replied that he got fresh coconuts from a nearby farm. Tinku wanted to visit the farm. He asked him if he could take him there. They drove down in a tractor. The farm was very big.

Tinku was happy to see many fruits and vegetables. There were sweet, pink watermelons, crunchy cucumbers, ripe red tomatoes, juicy oranges, bunches of grapes, green coconuts, ruby red pomegranates, yellow mangoes, prickly pineapples and big round pumpkins.

Tinku asked the farmer, “How are you able to grow so many fruits and vegetables?”

The farmer replied, “I have many friends to help me in my work. They are the ants and the earthworms, bees and moths, beetles and butterflies, grasshoppers and birds, bats and rats too.”

“How do these creatures help you?” asked Tinku. “You see, the earthworms and ants loosen the soil. The frogs, bats, birds, rats eat the harmful insects that kill plants. The bees gather golden honey. The butterflies help plants to produce more seeds.”
The beetles eat up the fallen leaves and turn it into manure. The wind, animals and birds scatter the seeds. Tinku then realised how these little creatures help us in some way or other to make our world a beautiful place. The farmer gave Tinku a basket of fresh fruits and vegetables. Tinku thanked the farmer and returned home.

**Let us read:**
- Fresh from a farm
- Yellow mangoes
- Ruby red
- Golden honey

**Let us say:**
- To/ma/to - Tomato
- Co/co/nut - Coconut
- Cu/cum/ber - Cucumber
- Pro/duce - Produce

**Let us listen and clap:**
Teacher may ask the children to clap when they hear the "R" sound
- From Tractor Harm
- Farm Tender Prickly
- Produce Arm Fresh
Let us read:

Half a **cup** of **coffee** in a proper copper **coffee** pot.

Let us fill in action words with 's' and without 's':

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Let us think and choose:

*Fill in with describing words :*

a) Tinku was thirsty. He wanted a _____ drink. (hot, cool)

b) It was a _________ day. (summer, rainy)

c) The earth worms and ants make the soil _____. (tight, loose)

**Let us unscramble :**

Arrange the jumbled letters of the fruit flavours

**Summer Sips**

a n o g m  _________  m e n o l _________

s t a r b e r w r y _________  y c e r h r _________

a p l e i p n p l e _________  a n b a n a _________
Let us understand:

Say Yes or No

a) Did Tinku drink mango juice?
b) Was the farm far away?
c) Did they go by a car?
d) Do bats come out at night?
e) Did the fruits look fresh?

Let us understand and write:

1. Why did Tinku want a drink?
2. Name few things that Tinku saw on the farm.
3. Who helps the farmer loosen the soil?
4. What do bees do?
5. Who scatters the seeds?
6. What did the farmer give Tinku?
Let us write:

A Tree

A tree grows from a ___________.
Some trees have ________. Others do not have_____.
Trees give us ___________ and ___________.
Many ___________ and ___________ live on it.

Let us colour:
Tick – tock, tick-tock goes the big tall, clock
It was bought on the morn
Of the day I was born
It keeps perfect time, to the turn of tick-tock.

At six, it says, time to get up,
Bathe, dress and be ready for school.
Breakfast at the table, milk in a cup,
All to the tune of, tick-tock, tick-tock.

Then it's time for class
Reading, writing, arithmetic for hours
I learn to the tune of tick-tock, tick-tock

Lunch at twelve, we all take.
Laugh and play, pretty things make.
All to the tune of tick-tock, tick-tock
Of my friendly school clock.

Back home by four
Laughing, playing all the more
Dive into bed by nine.
To rest and be up, fit and fine
All to the tune of tick-tock, tick-tock.
Let us listen and sing:
The sounds the clock makes

Let us read:

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Let us say and write the rhyming words:

tock - rock
morn -
up -

Let us read for fun:
Twenty froggies went to school
Down beside a rushy pool
Twenty little coats of green
Twenty vests all white and clean.

“We must be in time” said they
First we study then we play
That’s how we keep the rule
When we froggies go to school. - George Cooper.

Let us speak:
croak cloak,
school pool,
green clean.
Let us show time and write:
Help Mickey to show the correct time. Write the time below.

Let us sing:

**Good Manners**

There are four little magic words
That can open any door.

When at the table you want butter
Say “Please” pass the butter.”
Good manners can be learnt at any time.

When you get what you want
Say “Thank you” my dear
And say it with a big smile.

When you want to get past anyone
Please say “Excuse me.”
Good manners are never out of time.

And when at school or home you hurt some one
Say “I am sorry.”
And say it with a lovely smile.
Let us speak:
1. How do you spend time on a Sunday?
2. When do you get up on a Saturday morning?
3. What do you do at 10 o' clock?
4. When do you have your lunch?
5. When do you go to play?
6. What do you do at 7o' clock in the evening?

Let us recall:

We learn many things at school. Name any two.

Write these sentences using 'please, thank you or sorry'.

1. Pass me a book  __________________________
2. Give me a pencil  __________________________
3. Sing a song  __________________________
4. Come with me  __________________________
5. Go home  __________________________
6. ________________ for the book
7. ________________ for giving me a pencil
8. ________________ for singing a song
9. ________________ for coming with me
10. ________________ for coming late.
Ding dong! The doorbell rang. Granny came to open the door. She looked excited and happy.

“I’m so glad to see you all!”, said granny with joy. But Nivedha was not happy. Mom and dad had to go to Chennai and stay there for a few days. They wanted to leave Nivedha in her granny’s house.

“Nivedha, please don’t be sad. We will come back in a few days. Don’t trouble granny”, said dad. He drove away with mummy.

“Will you help me bake a cake, dear?” asked granny. “No”, replied Nivedha in a very sad voice.

Granny made a plan to make her feel better and happy. 'Wheeee!' She blew the bright red whistle, and in a moment, a little pup came running into the drawing room. He was a cute little, brown Labrador.

'Bow! Wow!!' He barked in his tiny puppy voice.

Nivedha was excited to see the pup.
She wanted to cuddle him, but she didn't even pat him because she was sad. “Hmmm... looks as if my plan is not working”, thought granny, wondering what else to do.

nibbling - gently bite.
tickle - touch the skin to make someone laugh.

Meanwhile, the little pup began nibbling Nivedha’s foot. It tickled her and she began to laugh. She picked up the little fellow. He had the most beautiful, sparkling brown eyes. His little pink tongue hung out. Nivedha started smiling at the pup. Granny was relieved, when she saw a smile on Nivedha's face.

cuddle - to hug someone in a loving way.

“Would you like to name the little pup, dear?” Granny asked Nivedha. “Oh granny! That will be wonderful! Let me think of some names”.

“Sure, we will do so while baking the cake”, said granny. After sometime, the house was filled with wonderful smell of chocolate cake.

“Granny, this smells wonderful!”, said Nivedha, her mouth watering. The cake was brown, soft and very delicious.

“Choco” shouted Nivedha. “I’ve got his name! This pup is brown and soft just like this chocolate cake”, said Nivedha. She cuddled him.

“That's a very apt name Nivedha”, said granny. Choco wagged his tail. Granny, Nivedha and Choco played together and had a good time.

apt - correct
wagged - moved the tail to and fro.
Let us understand:
1. Granny looked excited and happy. Why?
2. What kind of pup was he?
3. What was the cake like?
4. Would you like to have a dog for a pet?

Let us think and arrange the given jumbled sentences in order:
1. Granny whistled and called the pup to make Nivedha happy.
2. She was sad when her parents left.
3. Nivedha named the pup 'Choco'.
4. Granny made a chocolate cake.
5. Nivedha's parents took her to her Granny's house.

Let us read aloud:
- excited
- nibbling
- cuddled
- sparkling
- tickled
- watering

Let us listen and tell:

Please make children listen to the school bell and make them identify and produce the following sounds by miming.
telephone - tring...tring...  
school bell - ding...dong

bus horn - honk...honk  
doorbell - tringggggg...

Now tell the animal sounds (barks, mews, neighs):
A cat ________________
A dog ________________
A horse ________________

Let us speak:
1. How many members are there in your family?
2. Do you have grandparents?
3. Do you love them?
4. How often do you visit them?
5. Where do your grandparents live?

Activity 1
Ask your grandparents how they spend their time.
Activity 2:
1. Between grandparents and grandchildren.
2. Between a brother and sister.
3. Between a father and mother.
4. Between parents and children.

Example:
Ashika : Granny, why is your hair so white?
Granny : It's white because I am old.
Ashika : Will my hair also become white like yours?
Granny : Yes dear, when you grow old like me, it is natural.
Ashika : Thank you Granny.

Let us read:

Please make the children turn around and speak about any two things available in the classroom.

Sounds of Animals:

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bark like a dog.  moo like a cow.
chirp like a sparrow.  chatter like a monkey.

Let us Play:

Please give a table with pictures. Make flash cards having the pictures of a cat, a dog, an apple, a bag etc. Instruct the students to place the flash cards in the correct position.

1. A cat under the table.
2. An apple on the table
3. A cat jumping over the table.
4. A bird beside the table.

Choose a word from the box to complete each sentence:
[on, into, in, under]

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Let us write:

I. Arrange the words in correct order to make sentences:

**Example:** fly birds can. \(\Rightarrow\) Birds can fly.

1. elephants strong are. \(\Rightarrow\) ____________________.
2. cake a baked Abishek. \(\Rightarrow\) ____________________.
3. raining it outside is \(\Rightarrow\) ____________________.
4. has four horse a legs. \(\Rightarrow\) ____________________.
5. a door has house every. \(\Rightarrow\) ____________________.

*Please make the children understand that a sentence is a group of words that makes sense and contains a doing word. Instruct them to start the sentence with a capital letter and end it with a full stop.*

II. Fill in the blanks with ‘a’, ‘an’ or ‘the’

There is ___ beautiful garden near my house. ___ garden has ___ apple tree, ___ orange tree and ___ mango tree. In ___ garden lives ___ old man. ___ old man does not like children to play in ___ garden. ___ old man eats ___ fruit everyday from ___ garden. But he never allows ___ children to enjoy _____ fruits. How selfish_____ man he is!
Look at the pictures and fill in the correct words:

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**Activity 3:**

Children may go to their school library and try to get any one of these short stories and read.

1. Aesop's Fables - *William Caxton*
2. Gulliver's Travels - *Jonathan Swift*
3. Pinocchio - *Carlo Collodi*
Activity 4:

The teacher may write the letters of alphabet on the board. Say a word aloud to the children and then ask each child to come to the board and circle the first letter of the word.

Children can be asked to look around and write the things under two columns of a/an.

Vocabulary:

Please prepare a chart with pictures of the following:

one mango  three mangoes

one tomato  many tomatoes

Add -es to make the following nouns into plural:

1. buffalo  __________________

2. Potato  __________________
3. watch

4. mosquito

Activity 5: The teacher can ask the students to look into their bags and list the things inside.

⇒ Locate the circled letters in the square.
⇒ Cross them out.
⇒ You will find a word.
⇒ Write the word on the line below the square.
⇒ Those are the things in the bag.

ball
Let us learn to prepare cards:

*Children may be asked to prepare either a BIRTHDAY card or a THANK YOU card for their grandfather/grandmother.*

You need to have,
a. Chart paper.
b. Colour pencils
c. Pictures
d. The message -
   birthday wish/thank you message.
Make new words using the letters from the word GRANDMOTHER.
You may use the letters in any order. One has been done for you:

Let us play the role:
Activity 6:

Please ask students to play the roles of father, mother, Nivedha, granny and Choco the pup, with freedom of expression. (Sounds, movements, gestures and dialogues may be used)

The teacher may present a situation of a scene in the marketplace. Children may take up the roles as shopkeepers selling different things. Others may be asked to go to the market and buy things.
Fishes have spots,
Fishes have stripes,
But I'll tell you this,
They're all nice.

Gold and silver,
Red and pink,
Here they swim,
There they sink.

hither and thither - here and there
glee - happiness

Hither and thither,
Round and free,
They dance with joy,
And jump in glee.

They make me happy,
With their colourful dance,
The fishes in my tank,
To them my thanks.
Let us understand:
1. Who have spots and stripes on them?
2. Name the different colours of fish in the tank.
3. How do the fishes in the tank dance?
4. How do the fishes in tank make you happy?
5. Do you like to have a fish tank at home?

Let us listen and do:

Please divide the class into groups of fish and make them move here and there round and free. Dancing movements may also be taught.

1. spotted fish  2. striped fish  3. red fish  
4. pink fish     5. gold fish   6. silver fish

Let us listen and speak:
Let us go to a garden. Now, identify what do you see in the garden and name them.

Example: flower  1._________  2._________  
3._________  4._________  5._________  
6._________  7._________  8._________

Let us read:
Letters of alphabet to be written in flash cards and kept in a box.

Fill in correct letters to make the word:
1. This is a R__e  
2. This is a F__g  
3. This is a Sn__l
Let us listen and read:

- bees - hum
- cats - mew
- frogs - croak
- snakes - hiss

Let us speak:

Picture composition
1. What do you see in the picture?
2. Is there a river in the picture?
3. Where is the sun?

Let us read and write:

1. a) Complete the similar sounding words from the poem:
   - pink _________
   - free _________
   - dance _________

11. b) Make new words by filling the first letter:-

1. sink 1. fish 1. bush 1. pat
2. ___ink 2. ___ish 2. ___ush 2. ___at
3. ___ink 3. ___ish 3. ___ush 3. ___at

Let us colour the fishes:
Activity:

Please visit an aquarium and write whatever you see there.
1. ____________ 2. ____________ 3. ____________

Let us listen and sing:

Hello! Mr. Sky

Good morning Mr. Sky
How are you today?
Will your planet shine bright and strong?
Or will rain spoil our play?

Your rays through my window,
Gently wake me up,
As I get ready for school,
And drink milk from a cup.

I love you Mr. Sky,
You brighten up my day,
Making everything so colourful,
And make the trees sway.

*Please read the poem aloud and make the children repeat*

Let us remember:

In the morning we say 'Good Morning'.
At noon we say 'Good Afternoon'.
In the evening we say 'Good Evening'.
Before going to bed we say 'Good Night'.
"I can, I did"
Student's Activity Record

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