

NOSES

Reading is Fun

1. Why does the poet feel that the nose is a funny thing?

Answer.

The nose has two little holes which are stuck on the face like a handle, hence the poet feels that the nose is a funny thing.

2. Why is a nose important for you?

Answer.

Nose is important for us because it helps us in breathing.

3. Does the child in the poem like her nose? Why do you think so?

Answer.

Yes, the child in the poem likes her nose. She finds it to be the funniest thing which sticks out on her face like a handle.

Let's Talk

1. Describe a few funny things you have seen. Do they make you laugh?

Answer.

Funny things that I have seen are baby elephants playing, and pigs grunting. They make me laugh.

2. What does features mean? Look up the dictionary. What are the different kinds of features of people we come across in the world? Discuss.

Answer.

The word 'Features' means – different characteristics of people. We find different kinds of people with long, flat, fat noses, big eyes, round faces, curly hair, straight hair, fat people, thin people, etc.

Fun Time

1. Sit in groups.

2. Look at your friend's face and describe what you see.

Use words like long, round, oval, slanted, sharp, flat to help you. You can use other words also.

Answer.

My friend's face is oval. She has a long sharp nose. Her eyes are small. She has long, straight hair.

3. What is your favourite fruit? Describe it in five sentences.

Answer.

My favourite fruit is jackfruit.

(a) How does it smell?

Its smell is very pleasant.

(b) How does it look?

It looks yellow in colour.

(c) How does it feel?

It's very soft to eat.

(d) When you bite it what sound does it make?

It makes a 'slurp-slurp' sound.

(e) How does it taste?

It tastes very sweet.

Let's Exercise

A breathing exercise

- Close your right nostril with your right thumb.
- Inhale slowly through your left nostril till your lungs are filled with air.
- Now close your left nostril with your second and third fingers.
- Remove your finger from the right nostril and exhale through it.
- Repeat this exercise slowly in the beginning and with practice increase your speed.

Answer.

Do it yourself

Let's Write

1. Do you know a fish breathes from its gills? Write two sentences about other animals which can breathe under water.

Answer.

Snails, crocodiles, frogs, and turtles are water animals. They can breathe underwater.

2. Punctuate the following passage.

mother father neelam said i have got a fire engine ive got a fire engine whats this whats this called mother somewhat confused by the noise ive got a fire engine mother come and see it.

Answer.

“Mother, father”, Neelam said, “I have got a fire engine! I’ve got a fire engine!” “What’s this? What’s this?” called mother, somewhat confused by the noise. “I’ve got a fire engine, mother. Come and see it.”

3. Using a red pencil, choose and circle the things whose smell you like.

Now with a blue pencil, circle the things whose smell you do not like. Make five sentences like this –

like/do not like the smell of..... because it reminds me of.....



Answer.

- (a) I like the smell of scent because it reminds me of the beauty of nature.
- (b) I do not like the smell of dirty shoes because they remind me of rotten fruit.
- (c) I like the smell of the champa because it reminds me of agarbatti.
- (d) I do not like the smell of garbage because it reminds me of rotten eggs.
- (e) I like the smell of elaichi because it reminds me of the coffee my mother uses.

What is it?

Tall ears, Twinkly nose, Tiny tail, And –hop, he goes!

What is he – Can you guess? I feed him carrots And watercress.

His ears are long, His tail is small – And he doesn’t make any noise at all!

Tall ears, Twinkly nose, Tiny tail, And – hop, he goes!

– Marie Louise Allen

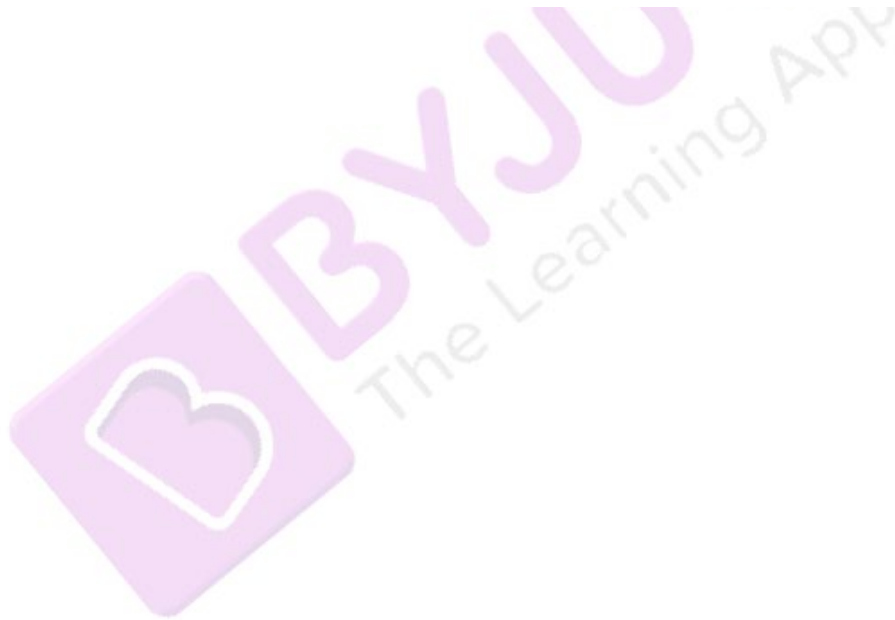
Write three pairs of words that rhyme with each other.

Answer.

Nose Goes

Tall ball

Guess Watercress



THE LITTLE FIR TREE

Reading is Fun

1. Tick (Right) the correct answer.

(a) the pretty little fir tree was happy with gold leaves but..	(i) a goat came along and ate them (ii) all leaves got wet in the rain (iii) a man stole them Answer. (iii)
(b) the fir tree was sad..	(i) because it had yellow leaves (ii) because it had needle like leaves (iii) because it had short leaves Answer. (ii)
(c) the fir tree was not happy with the gold leaves...	(i) because the goats came and ate them up (ii) a man stole them (iii) the gold leaves broke Answer. (ii)

Word Building

1. By changing the underlined word to its opposite, rewrite these sentences. One has been done for you.

(a) I carry a light bag to school every day.

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(b) Rina won the race.

(c) I love eating vegetables.

(d) This glass of milk is full.

(e) The old man is wise.

Answer.

- (b) Rina lost the race.
(c) I hate eating vegetables.
(d) This glass of milk is empty.
(e) The old man is foolish.

2. Now give the opposite of the words below by adding un or im.

happy _____ important _____
polite _____ perfect _____
seen _____ healthy _____
proper _____ safe _____
lucky _____ patient _____
possible _____ pure _____

Answer.

happy unhappy important unimportant
polite impolite perfect imperfect
seen unseen healthy unhealthy
proper improper safe unsafe
lucky unlucky patient impatient
possible impossible pure impure

3. Rita *loved* her dog Sheroo. Every day, Sheroo would *go out* of the house and *come* back himself. But one day he did not come home. Rita looked *everywhere* for him. Tears rolled *down* her cheeks. Sheroo was *lost*. He was *nowhere* to be found. Rita was *crying* when she reached home. She got into her bed. All of a sudden something jumped on her. Can you guess who it was? Rita was very *happy*.

Give the opposites of the words in italics.

Answer.

1) hated 2) come in 3) go 4) nowhere 5) up 6) found 7) everywhere 8) laughing 9) sad

Let's Write

1. Rewrite the passage below using capital letters where necessary –

(i) one Saturday afternoon amarjit and his little sister rani went for a picnic to india gate, there they saw ducks, water and their friend raj.

Answer.

One Saturday afternoon Amarjit and his little sister Rani went for a picnic to India Gate. There they saw ducks, water and their friend Raj.

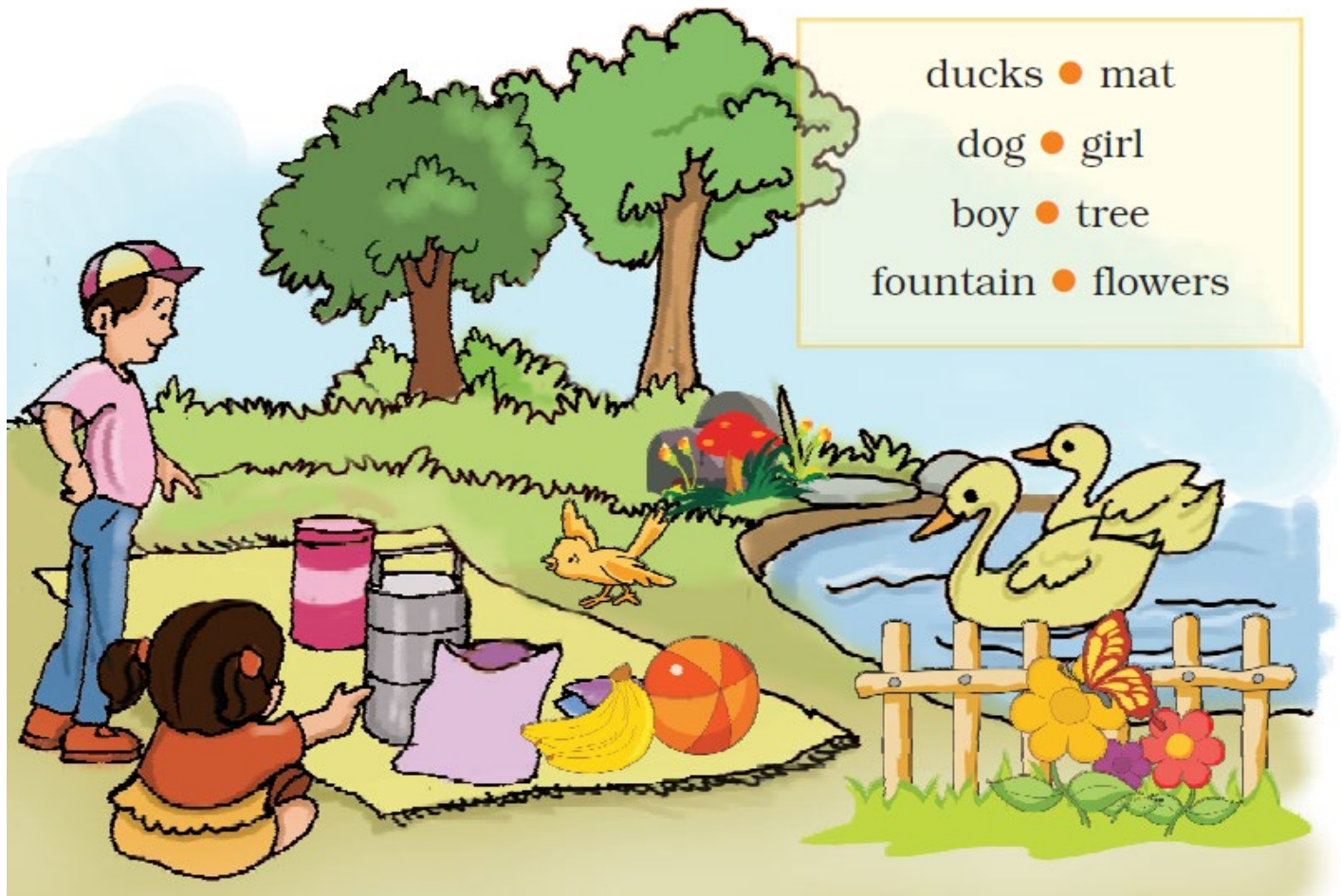
(ii) oh dear said the fir tree I like my old needle-like leaves best for goats don't eat them and no man can steal them

Answer.

“Oh dear!”, said the fir tree. “I like my old needle-like leaves best, for goats don't eat them and no man can steal them”.

Let's Talk

1. Look at the picture below. In the yellow box there are eight things. Six of them you can see in the picture. The other two you cannot see. Write down the four things that you can see.



Answer.

Ducks, flowers, tree and boy

2. Look at the picture again. Describe the picture,

Answer.

A girl and a boy have come out for a picnic. They seem to enjoy their evening by the pond side seeing two ducks swimming in the water. The girl has put a mat on which she has kept a pillow, a lunch box, bananas, a ball, etc. The boy and the girl look happy watching the bird which is sitting near the mat.

Fun Time

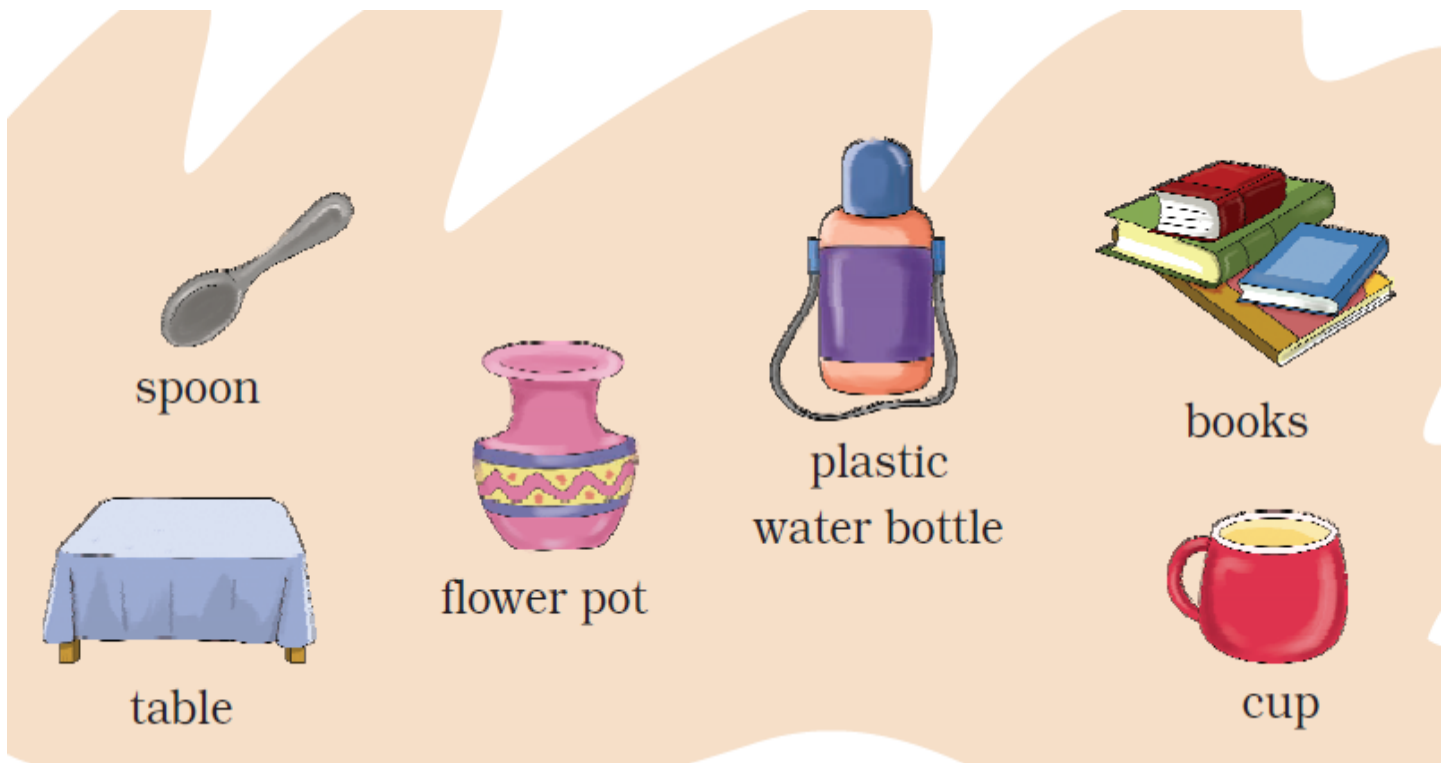
1. Ajit loved flowers. He always wanted to have a garden for himself. Mohan, his friend, gave him an idea. He said, “Why, we can have a garden in a dish!”

“Ha! Ha!” Ajit laughed. “A garden in a dish?”

Answer.

“Yes, dish gardens are tiny gardens planted in a shallow dish. We must first put sand, manure and pebbles in a dish. Plant very tiny plants in it and place the dish on the window sill.”

2. Glass breaks easily when it is dropped. Do you think a mud flower pot, a glass spoon, a wooden table, a plastic cup, books or your plastic water bottle can break easily? Mention the things that can.



Answer.

Spoon and flower pot.

3. Which of the following actions would make others happy/unhappy?

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respecting elders • not saying thank you • being polite
playing with friends • visiting a sick friend • not sharing
watching television all day • telling lies • being greedy
caring for pets • getting angry easily • being honest

Actions that make people happy	Actions that make people unhappy

Answer.

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