

CHAPTER – 5
RIP VAN WINKLE

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Question 1: Circle the correct meaning of the given words. You may need to use the dictionary.

idled away	wasted	rested	admired
constant	coffee	construct	steady
companion	dog	stranger	partner
realise	to understand	to set free	real
descend	to not send	to be decent	to move down
barrel	a wooden container	a musical instrument	a bag
contents	to be happy	the ingredients	the index of a book

Answer

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Question 2: Match the words in the box with their meanings. You may take the help of a dictionary.

grizzled astonished foothills
stroked familiar

near the lower part of a mountain

with grey hair

to rub gently

to be very surprised

known to you

Answer

near the lower part of a mountain	<u>foothills</u>
with grey hair	<u>grizzled</u>
to rub gently	<u>stroked</u>
to be very surprised	<u>astonished</u>
known to you	<u>familiar</u>

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Question 1: Say whether the following sentences are True or False.

- (i) Rip was kind to children. _____
- (ii) Rip was a hardworking man. _____
- (iii) The short old man on the mountain was his constant companion.

- (iv) Rip helped the old man on the mountains because he wanted to have a drink from the barrel. _____
- (v) Rip was away for twenty years because he was asleep on the mountains. _____
- (vi) The drink from the barrel made him fall asleep for twenty years.

- (vii) Nobody recognised Rip when he came back because he had reached the wrong village. _____

Answer

- (i) True (ii) False (iii) False (iv) False (v) False (vi) True (vii) True

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Question 2: Complete the following sentences.

(i) Rip's village was situated

_____.

(ii) The children of the village loved him because

_____.

(iii) _____ was his constant companion.

(iv) The villagers stared at him because

_____.

(v) The old woman who recognised Rip was

_____.

Answer

(i) Rip's village was situated at the foothills of the Kaatskill.

(ii) The children of the village loved him because he played with them.

(iii) The dog, named wolf was his constant companion.

(iv) The villagers stared at him because no one knew him.

(v) The old woman who recognised Rip was his old neighbour.

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Question 1: Work in groups of four. What were the strange things about the men on the mountains?

(i) _____

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

(iv) _____

Answer

- (i) They all were dressed in the same way.
- (ii) They had beards of various shapes and colours.
- (iii) They were serious even while playing games.
- (iv) They were very short-heighted.

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Question 2: What kind of a man was Rip Van Winkle?

- (i) He was a kind neighbour.
- (ii) _____
- (iii) _____
- (iv) _____

Answer

(ii) He was very lazy. (iii) He liked to play with children. (iv) He was a good-natured fellow.

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Question 1: Pick out the names of the games mentioned in the story.

Answer

flying kites
shooting marbles
ninepins

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Question 2: Sometime we join two words to make a describing word. For example, Rip was a good-natured man, everybody liked him. Here are some more describing words. Use them to complete the given paragraph.

long-sleeved

high-heeled

well-dressed

open-mouthed

sweet-looking

odd-looking

part-time

Mrs. Das has a _____ job in a clothes shop. Yesterday, an _____ woman walked into the shop. She was wearing _____ shoes. A _____ dog was with her. "I want a _____ shirt for my dog, please," she said. "For your dog?" asked Mrs. Das, _____ in surprise. "Yes." replied the woman. "I want him to be _____ for my next party."

Answer

Mrs. Das has a part-time job in a clothes shop. Yesterday, an old-looking woman walked into the shop. She was wearing high-heeled shoes. A sweet-looking dog was with her. "I want a long-sleeved shirt for my dog, please," she said. "For your dog?" asked Mrs Das, open-mouthed in surprise. "Yes." replied the woman. "I want him to be well-dressed for my next party."

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Question 3: Silent letters What is common in the following groups of words?

(i) knee, knife, knot, know _____

(ii) neighbour, daughter, fight, straight _____

(iii) honest, honor, hour, heir _____

Try and make more silent letter words.

gnat: _____, _____

tongue: _____, _____

chalk: _____, _____

whistle: _____, _____

Answer

(i) K (ii) G (iii) H

gnat: sign, foreign

tongue: langue, antique

chalk: walk, talk

whistle: chistle, hustle

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Question 4: Read the two paragraphs given below. My mother is always awake before anyone else in the family. I usually wake up after 6 o' clock. I loll around lazily for a few minutes. Then I get up and get dressed for school. At bedtime, I read a story book. When I feel tired I lie down and go to sleep very quickly. I fall asleep in no time at all!

(i) Now find the opposites of the following words from the paragraphs and complete the table.

awake asleep

wake up _____

get up _____

lazily _____

(ii) Fill in the blanks using the words in the previous questions.

(a) _____ and _____ quickly! You will be late for school.

(b) Shh! The baby is _____. Don't make a sound, or she will _____.

(c) Are you still _____? You should be _____ now or you will not be able to _____ in the morning for school.

Answer

(i)

awake asleep

wake up go to sleep

get up lie down

lazily quickly

(ii)

(a) Wake up and get up quickly! You will be late for school.

(b) Shh! The baby is asleep. Don't make a sound, or she will wake up.

(c) Are you still awake? You should be asleep now or you will not be able to get up in the morning for school.

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Question 1: Lots of things must have happened in the village when Rip was away. Imagine you are the neighbour who greets Rip after 20 years. One student should act as Rip. Tell Rip about all that had happened in the village after he left.

(Talk about what happened to his family, to his friends, to the other villagers, to the children he played with, the changes in the village... etc. Your teacher will guide you.)

You may start this way: Guess what happened on the day you left. When you didn't come home in the evening, your wife...

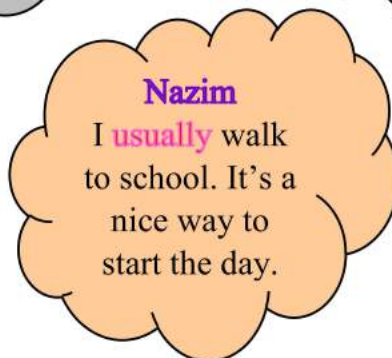
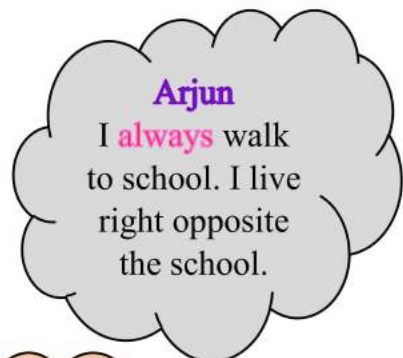
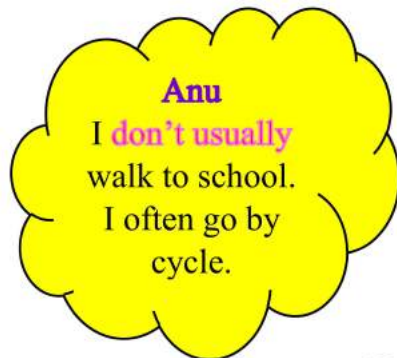
Answer

Disclaimer: *This is a sample answer. Students are advised to write the answer based on their imaginative skills.*

When you didn't come home in the evening, your wife started weeping for hours. No one knew where you disappeared all of a sudden. Some people said that you had been kidnapped by the villagers of our nearby village. Other said that you eloped with a girl whom you loved. Your wife married a rich but old man after three years of wait. Rajesh, your best friend was also worried about you. He went to a number of places to find you. Finally, everyone thought that you must be dead by now.

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Question 2: Read the speech bubbles. Who walks to school most often? Put them in order.



Answer

1. Arjun 2. Nazim 3. Mini 4. Anu 5. John

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Question 1: Write about yourself using the following expressions (do you play in the park, go to bed late, fuss over food, study hard, etc.?)

always frequently usually

often sometimes rarely

For example: I always do my work neatly.

(i) _____

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

(iv) _____

(v) _____

Answer

Disclaimer: *These are sample answers. Students are advised to write the answer based on their own experiences and observations.*

- (i) I always go to bed on time.
- (ii) I rarely beat anyone.
- (iii) I often miss my school bus.
- (iv) I frequently call my mother.
- (v) I usually finish my homework on time.

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Question 2: Use the following clues to complete the following exercise.

play stop buy learn see meet learn be

eat go travel start read visit

(i) Write three new things you have done in the last three years.

(a) I have started _____

(b) _____

(c) _____

(ii) Write three things you have not done in the last three years.

(a) I have not played _____

(b) _____

(c) _____

Answer

(i) (a) I have started learning German. (b) I have visited Shimla. (c) I have started reading books.

(ii) (a) I have not played golf. (b) I have not eaten chicken. (c) I have not met Sharukh Khan.