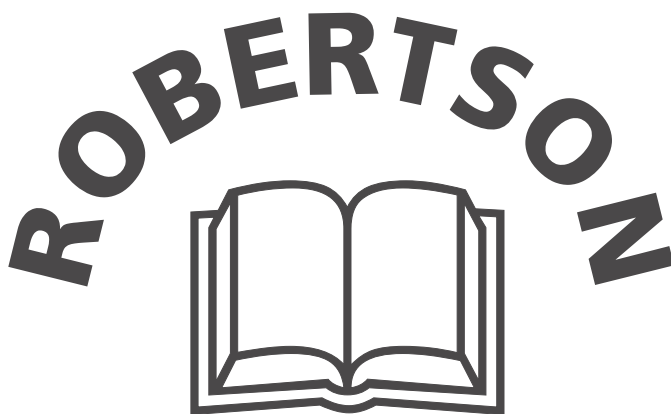


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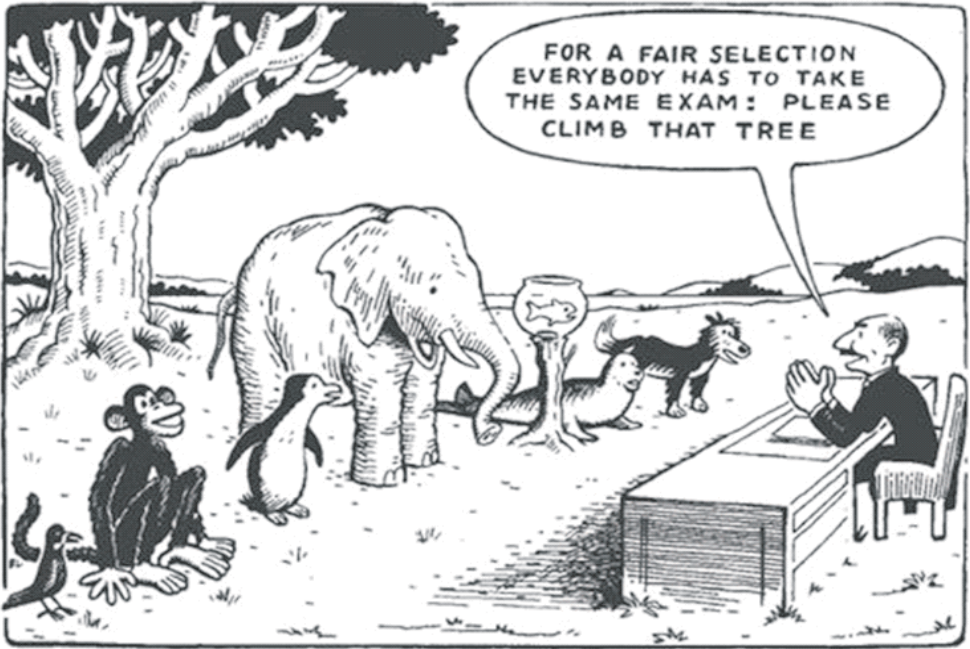


Reader

**Active
Comprehension**

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- 1 Look at the pictures and answer the questions.



- 2 Run-swim-catch the ball-fly.

- 3 What do they have?

- 1 Bird, _____
 2 Fish, _____
 3 Seal, _____
 4 Dog, _____

- 1 A _____ has flippers.
 2 An _____ has a trunk.
 3 A _____ has wings.
 4 A _____ has four legs.

- 4 Who is this?

- 1 A _____ is a bone-eater, because it eats bones.
 2 An _____ is a grass-eater, because it eats grass.
 3 A _____ is a worm-eater, because it eats worms.

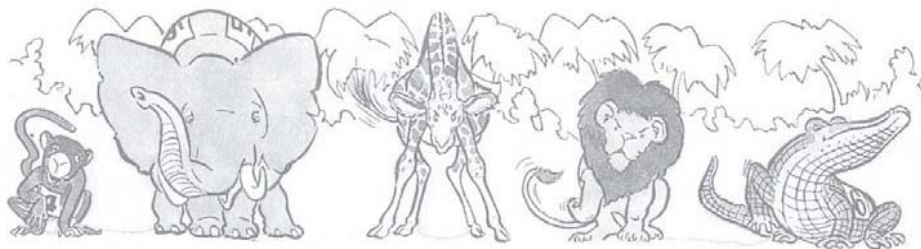
- 1 Look at the pictures in exercise 2.
Find these animals.

monkey elephant giraffe lion alligator

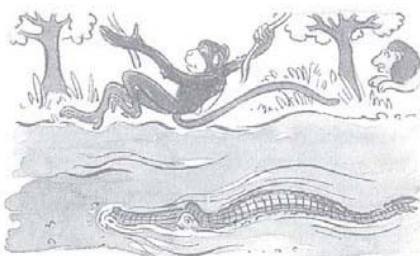
- 2 Read the text.

The big race

The big **race** is today. All the animals are waiting to begin the race. The monkey is standing next to the elephant. The elephant is standing next to the giraffe. The giraffe is standing next to the lion. The lion is standing next to the alligator.

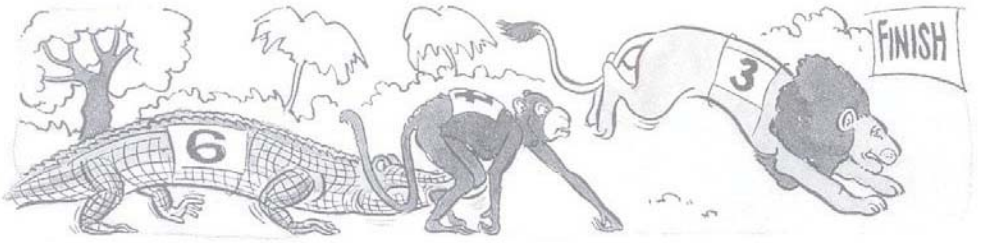


One, two, three, go! The monkey is **swinging** through the trees and the alligator is swimming in the river.



The lion is **climbing** over some rocks. The giraffe is **jumping** over a small **stream**.

And the race is over! The lion is first, the monkey is second and the alligator is third.



3 Answer the questions with Yes, it is or No, it isn't.

1 Is the monkey standing next to the elephant?
Yes, it is.

2 Is the giraffe next to the alligator?

3 Is the monkey swinging through the trees?

4 Is the elephant running through the jungle

5 Is the lion swimming in the river?

6 Is the giraffe first?

7 Is the elephant second?

4 Answer the questions.

1 Why is today an important day?

2 Where is the elephant standing?

3 Where is the lion standing?

4 Where is alligator standing

5 Now make five questions about the text. Then ask your partner to answer them.

4 Answer the questions.

1 Do you like running? _____

2 Do you like swimming? _____

3 Do you like climbing? _____

4 Do you like jumping? _____



"Now we wait."



“Hello Whale. What do you eat?”

“Lots of fish,” said Whale.



Green gloves, green gloves, where are you?

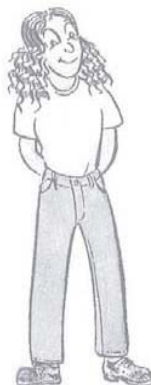


Silly Troll, silly troll, we are on your hands.

- 1 Look at the pictures in exercise 2 and find these things.

T-shirt straight hair watch jeans glasses
curly hair jumper

- 2 Read the description and write the name under the picture.



a _____ b _____ c _____ d _____

- | | |
|---|---|
| <p>1 His name is Sam. He's got big eyes and a small nose. He's wearing a T-shirt and jeans. He's got new shoes.</p> | <p>3 Suzanne is wearing glasses. She's got long, straight hair. She's wearing a skirt and a jumper. She's wearing a new jacket.</p> |
| <p>2 His name is Basil. He's got big eyes and a big nose. He's got curly hair. He's wearing a shirt and trousers. He's got a new watch.</p> | <p>4 Marie has got big eyes and long, curly hair. She's wearing jeans and a T-shirt. She's wearing old shoes but her jeans are new.</p> |

3 Now write about you.

My name is _____

I've got _____

I'm wearing _____

4 Complete these sentences.



1 Answer these questions.

- 1 What is your favourite animal?
- 2 What is your favourite bird?
- 3 What is the most intelligent animal?
- 4 Put the words in correct place.

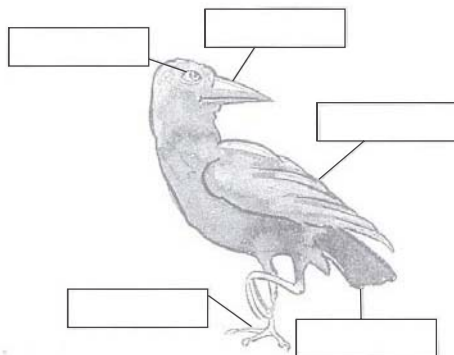
wings

beak

eyes

claws

tail



2 Read about the fox and crow. Which is more intelligent, the fox or the crow?

A piece of cheese

One day a **crow** flew past a window. The crow saw a piece of **cheese**. It took the cheese. The crow flew to the top of the tree with the cheese.

A fox saw the **crow** and the piece of **cheese**. The fox was **hungry**. It wanted the cheese. It called the crow, "Crow, your **wings** are so **beautiful**. You fly faster than any other bird. Your **claws** are prettier than any other bird's claws. Your **beak** is the most beautiful beak in The world. But you cannot **sing**."



The crow was very happy to hear the fox's words. But the crow wanted the fox to hear it sing. So the crow opened its beak to sing. The cheese fell out. The fox picked up the Cheese and ran away with it.

The fox said the crow was beautiful. It did not say the crow was **intelligent**.

3 Choose the best answer.

1 What did the fox want?

- a to hear the crow sing ☐
- b to make the crow happy ☐
- c the cheese ☐

2 Where did the crow see the cheese?

- a in the window ☐
- b in the tree ☐
- c on the ground ☐

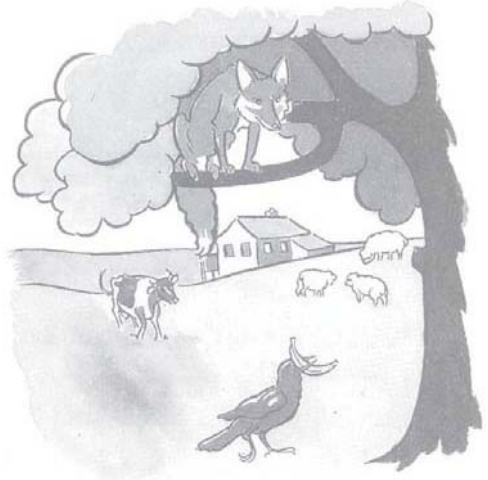
3 Why did the crow drop the cheese?

- a it didn't like cheese ☐
- b it wanted to sing ☐
- c it was hungry ☐

4 The fox was?

- a intelligent ☐
- b fat ☐
- c sad ☐

4 Look at this picture and the picture on the other page.
Can you find seven differences?



Example: The fox is in the tree.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____

The Enormous Turnip

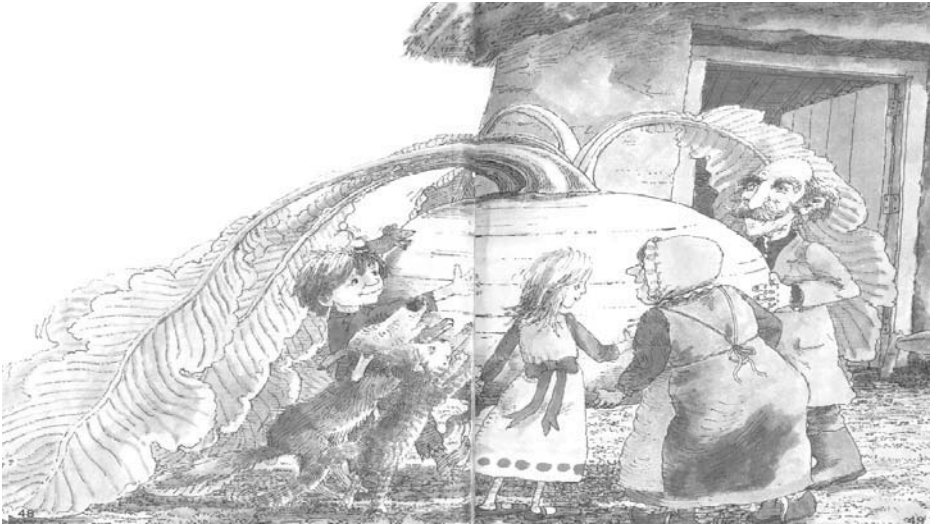
The Enormous Turnip

The old man has some turnip seeds.

The old man plants the seeds. He waters the seeds.

The turnip seeds grow. One turnip grows and grows and grows!

It is enormous!



The old man says, I want some turnip for dinner. He goes to pull up the enormous turnip. He pulls and pulls, but he can't pull up the enormous turnip. The old man calls to the old woman.

Come and help me to pull up this enormous turnip, he says.

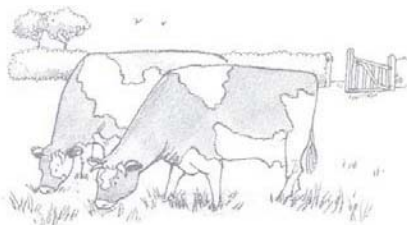
The old woman pulls the old man and the old man pulls the turnip.

They pull and pull, but they

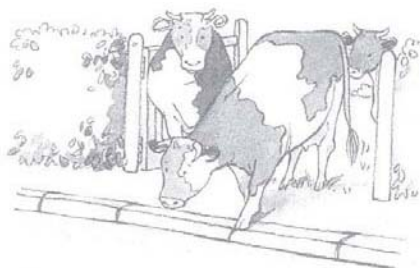
_____ calls to a boy.
_____ calls to a girl.
_____ calls to a dog.
_____ calls to a cat.
_____ calls to a mouse.

They pull and pull and... UP comes the enormous turnip!

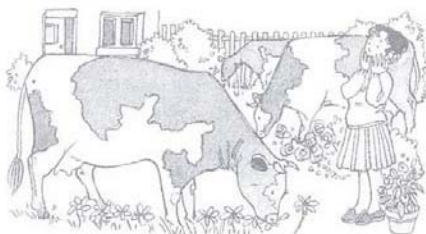
- 1 Write five things about animals that live on a farm.
- 2 Read the text.



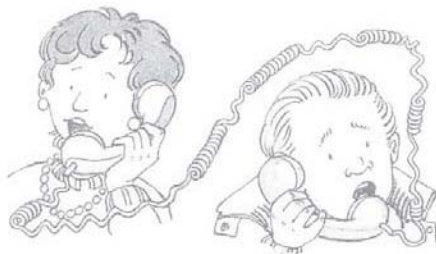
The cows are in the field eating grass. But the farm gate is not shut. .



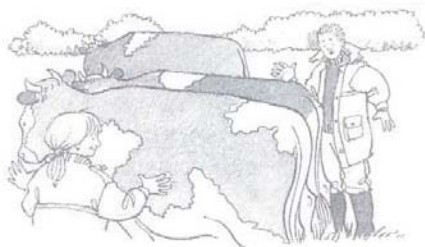
The cows are escaping. They are on the road.



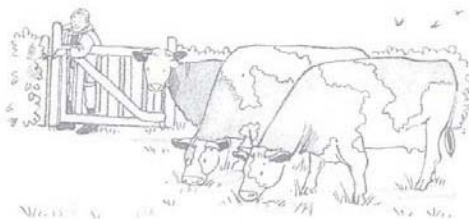
Now the cows are in Mrs. Lee's garden. They are eating her flowers and plants.



Mrs. Lee is telephoning the farmer. She wants him to take the cows back to the field.



The farmer and his daughter are taking the cows back to the field.



The farmer is closing the gate. This time the cows will not escape.

- 3 1. What happened first, second, third...? Read the sentences and put them in order.

- a Mrs. Lee is telephoning the farmer.
- b The cows are on the road.
- c The farmer and his daughter are taking the cows back to the field
- d The cows are eating the grass.
- e The farmer is closing the gate.
- f The cows are eating Mrs. Lee's flowers.

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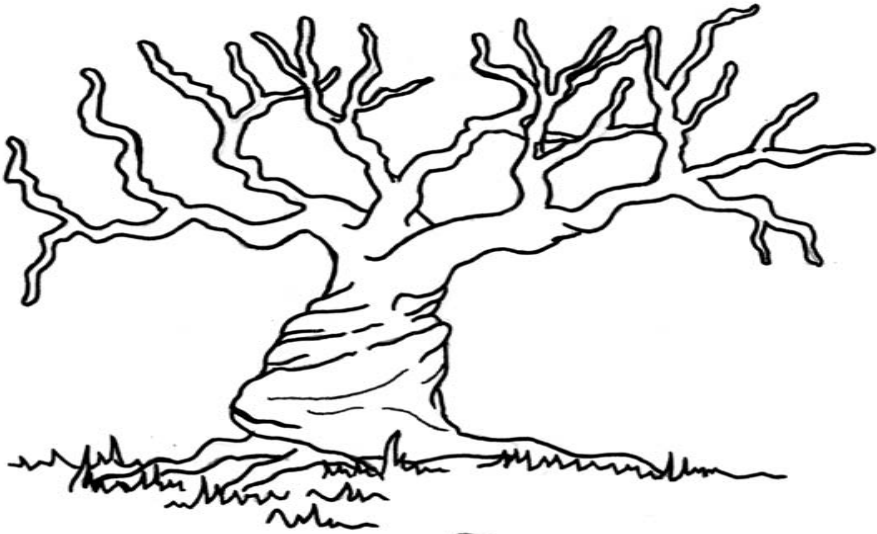
- 4 Complete the conversation. Use these words.

Good morning Thank doing
How them cows eating

Mrs. Lee: 1 _____, Mr. Murphy.
Mr. Murphy: Good morning, Mrs. Lee.
2 _____ are you?
Mrs. Lee: Very well. But I have a problem.
Your 3 _____ are in my garden.
Mr. Murphy: Oh dear! What are they
4 _____ there?
Mrs. Lee: They are 5 _____ my flowers and plants.
Mr. Murphy: I'm very sorry. I shall come and get 6 _____.
Mrs. Lee: 7 _____ you.

- 4 What animals can you find on a farm?

1 You can find _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____

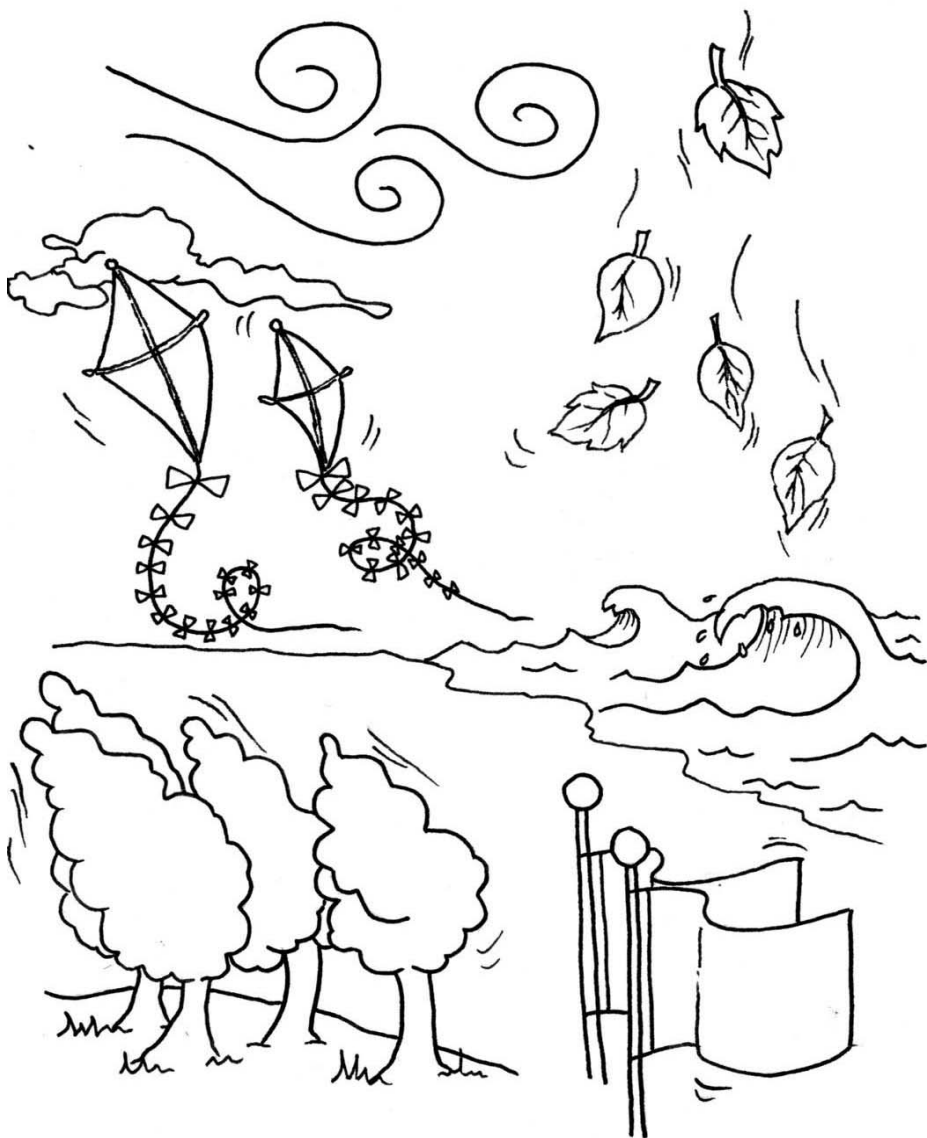


Look at this tree.

Trees can be curved. Trees can be straight.

Trees can be short. Trees can be tall.


Trees can be young. Trees can be old.





When the wind blows leaves fall. When the wind blows, trees bend.
When the wind blows, kites fly. When the wind blows, waves roll.
When the wind blows, flags wave.



UP IN THE TREE

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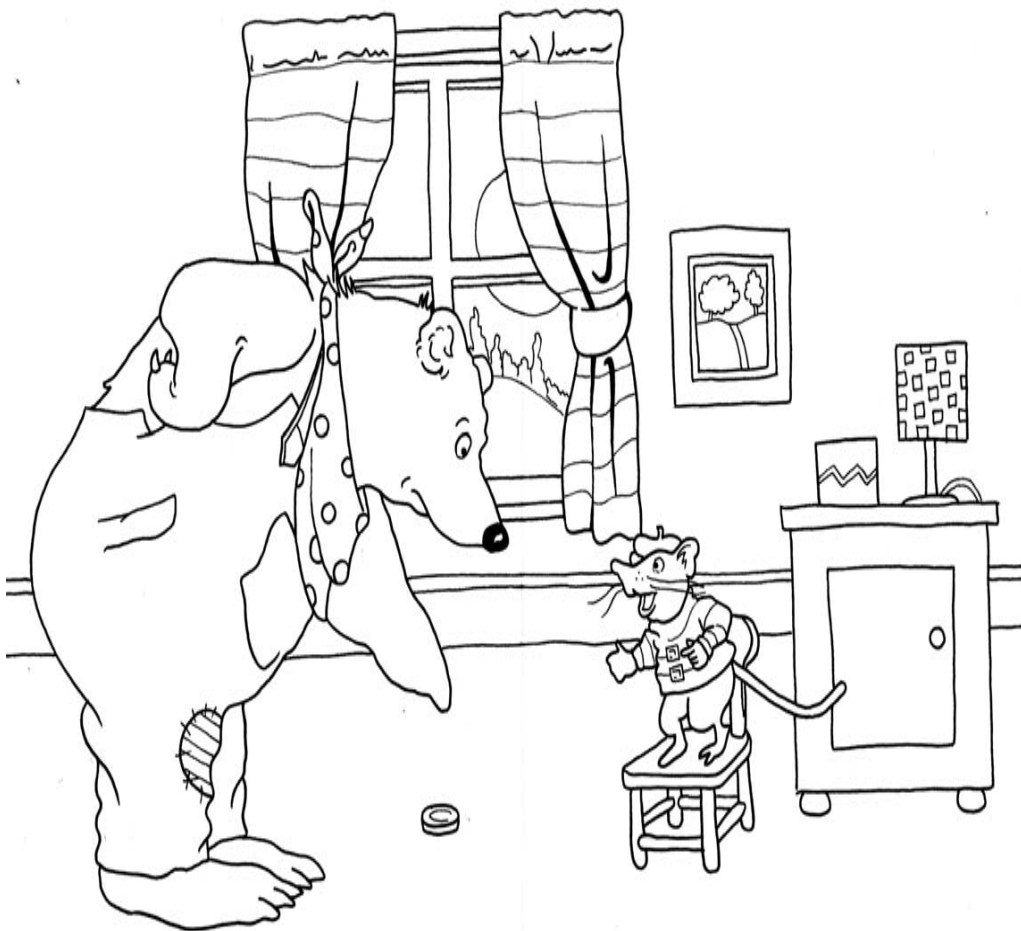
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Big Bear and the Blue Button

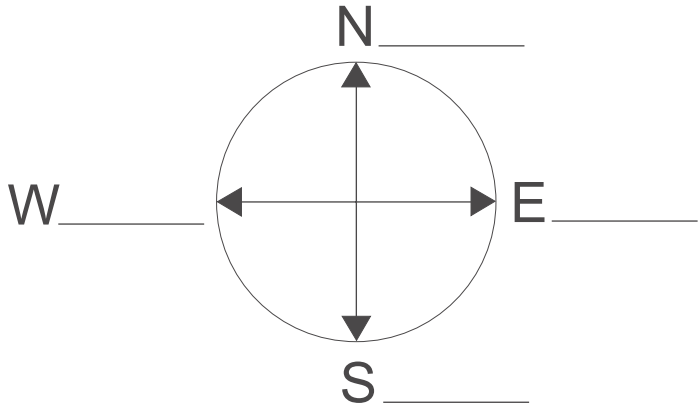
- 1 Look at the picture.



Big Bear: Is this your round blue button?

Morris Mouse: No, my buttons are red and shaped like a square.

- 1 Do you know the **compass direction** in English?
Complete the words.



- 2 Read the letters.

Dear Sally

My name is Ruth. I'm from Liverpool in the north of England. It is cold here because it is the winter. Is it cold in Cairo?

I have two sisters. My mother works in a bank. My father is a taxi driver. I am seven years old.

Yours
Ruth

Dear Ruth

Thanks for your letter.
I live in Luxor. It is the south of Egypt. In the summer it is very hot but in December and January it is cold.

My mother is a teacher. She teaches geography. My father is a doctor. I have got three brothers but I haven't got any sisters. I am six years old.

Love
Sally

3 Answer the questions.

- 1 Where does Ruth live?

- 2 Why is it cold in Liverpool?

- 3 Where does Ruth's mother work?

- 4 How old is Ruth?

- 5 Is Luxor in the north of Egypt?

- 6 Is it hot in Luxor in December?

- 7 What does Sally's father do?

- 8 How many brothers has Sally got?

3 Answer the questions.

- 1 Do you live in the north or south of your country?

- 2 Do you like the summer or winter?

- 3 Is it the summer now?

- 4 What do you wear in the summer?

- 5 What do you wear in the winter?

5 Match the pictures with the words.

T-shirt coat gloves sandals
sunglasses scarf



a _____



b _____



c _____



d _____



e _____



f _____

5 Write a letter to Sally about you.

1 Match the faces and the feelings.

happy

upset

surprised

angry

worried



2 Read the letters and complete the sentences with the words above.

1

Dear Mona

James went to America yesterday. I hope he will be ok. I hope he meets some nice people. I told him to phone me as soon as he gets there.

Love Rania

2

John

Do you have my football boots? I can't play in the game if I don't have them.

Michael

3

Niveen

Why did you talk to Suzanna in the playground? I thought you did not like her.

Samia

5

Dear Aunt Jane
Thank you very much for the beautiful party dress. It is my favourite colour. I wore it to my birthday party last week.
Love from Maria

4

Dear Grandma
Our dog, Ben, had five puppies yesterday! We thought Ben was a male dog.

Love Sarah

- 1 Rania is worried.
- 2 Michael is _____
- 3 Samia is _____
- 4 Sarah is _____
- 5 Maria is _____

3 Complete the conversation. Use these words.

going

doing

playing

looking

wearing

Ed: What are you 1 _____ Michael?

Michael: I am 2 _____ for John.

Ed: Why ?

Michael: I want to play football and John has my football boots.

Ed: I saw John. He is 3 _____ football in the park.

Michael: Is he 4 _____ my football boots?

Ed: Yes, he is. Where are you going?

Michael: To the park. I am 5 _____ to get my football boots.

3 Match the feelings and the reasons.

- | | |
|------------------------|---|
| 1 He was surprised | because the pupils did not do their homework. |
| 2 I am very happy | because she has an exam tomorrow. |
| 3 The teacher is angry | because he got a letter from his uncle. |
| 4 They are frightened | because they cannot go to the party. |
| 5 She is worried | because they are lost. |
| 6 They are upset | because today is my birthday. |

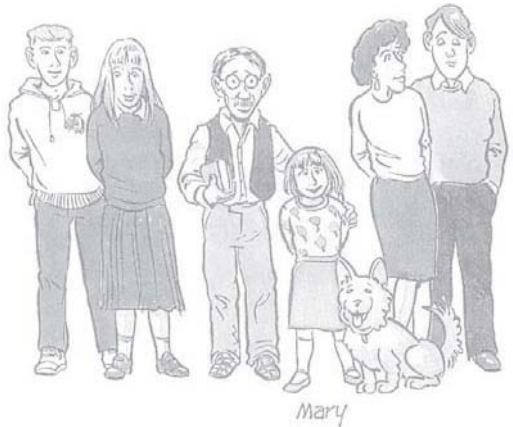
3 Write the feelings and the reasons.

- | | | |
|---|------------------|--|
| 1 | They are worried | because their father is sick. |
| 2 | | because he lost his football boots. |
| 3 | | because she passed her test. |
| 4 | | because her brother broke her bicycle. |
| 5 | | because he cannot play in the game. |
| 6 | | because she heard a loud noise. |

Who broke the vase?




- 1 Here is a picture of Mary's family. Read the sentences and match them to the picture.

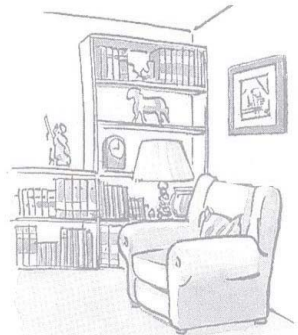
- 1 Mary's mother is called Emily.
- 2 Mary's father is called Tom.
- 3 Her grandfather is called John.
- 4 Her big sister is called Alison.
- 5 Her brother is called Martin.
- 6 The dog is called Patch.




- 2 Read the story and put the right time on the clocks.

Who broke the vase?

Mary's family woke up very early yesterday. Her father ate his breakfast and went to work at half past seven.  Mary's brother and sister had their breakfast and went to school. They have lessons from nine o'clock  until three o'clock.  Mary was ill so she did not go with them.



Mary's mother went to the market. Mary, her grandfather and Patch stayed at home. Mary's grandfather went into the garden. Patch played with a ball in the kitchen. Mary stayed in bed and read a book.

Mary's mother returned at ten o'clock . When she entered the living room she saw that her favourite vase was broken! She was very angry. Then she saw the beautiful flowers on the floor.



Who do you think broke the vase?

- 3 That evening everyone returned home. Mary's mother asked everybody where they were when the vase was broken. Who said what?

Grandad	I was in my bedroom.
Alison	I was in my French lesson.
Mary	I was in the garden.
Tom	I was at work.
Martin	I had football match in the morning.

- 4 Complete the conversation. Use these words.

saw read morning cat breakfast go heard

Mother: What did you do this 1 _____?

Mary: After 2 _____ I went back to my bedroom.

Mother: What did you do there?

Mary: I 3 _____ a book.

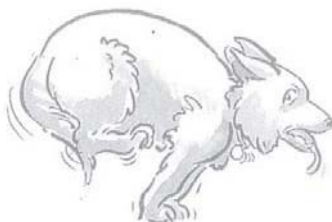
Mother: Did you 4 _____ into the living room?

Mary: No, I didn't. But I 5 _____ a noise in the living room.

I 6 _____ Patch running after a 7 _____

Mother: Now I know what happened!

- 5 Who broke the vase? Why do you think so?



- 1 Who is at the bus stop? Look at the picture below. Write who is at the bus stop.

For example: An old woman.



- 2 Look at the picture and correct these sentences.

1 There are six people waiting for the bus.

2 The man is looking at his watch.

3 The little girl is happy.

4 The boy is going to school.

5 The two girls are not sisters.

6 The old woman is standing next to the boy.

3 When do we use capital letters? Match these.

- a she is Sheila Green.
- b The boy sat down
- c he is from London.
- d they live in Syria.
- e he speaks Russian.

- at the beginning of a sentence
- for cities
- for countries
- for languages
- for names of people

4 Write these sentences with the capital letters.

- 1 my name is john jones. _____
- 2 they are from china. _____
- 3 we speak italian. _____
- 4 we are going to new york. _____
- 5 ellen and simon walk to the park. _____

5 What are they thinking about? You can use these words.

visiting playing buying opening watching

- 1 She is thinking about eating ice-cream.
- 2 She
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____

