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(Honeysuckle) (Chapter - 8) (A Game of Chance)
(Class - VI)

Working with the Text

Question A:

Complete the following sentences from memory choosing a phrase from those given in brackets.

1. _____ was held at the time of the Eid festival.
(A big show, A big fair, A big competition)
2. Tradesmen came to the village with all kinds of goods _____.
(to display, to buy, to sell)
3. Uncle told me _____ while he was away.
(not to buy anything, not to go anywhere, not to talk to anyone)
4. The owner of the Lucky Shop wanted everybody present _____.
(to play the game, to win a prize, to try their luck)
5. The first time I took a chance I got _____.
(a bottle of ink, two pencils, a trifle)
6. Uncle told me that the shopkeeper had made _____.
(a fool of me, a good profit, friends with many people)

Answer A:

1. *A big fair* was held at the time of the Eid festival.
2. Tradesmen came to the village with all kinds of goods *to sell*.
3. Uncle told me *not to buy anything* while he was away.
4. The owner of the Lucky Shop wanted everybody present *to try their luck*.
5. The first time I took a chance I got *two pencils*.
6. Uncle told me that the shopkeeper had made *a fool of me*.

Question B:

Answer the following questions.

1. Why do you think Rasheed's uncle asked him not to buy anything in his absence?
2. Why was the shop called 'Lucky Shop'?
3. An old man won a clock and sold it back to the shopkeeper. How much money did he make?
4. How many prizes did the boy win? What were they?
5. Why was Rasheed upset?
6. In what way did the shopkeeper make a fool of Rasheed?

Answer B:

1. Rasheed's uncle asked him not to buy anything in his absence because he knew that the shopkeepers would cheat him.
2. The shop was called 'Lucky Shop' because the shopkeeper wanted everyone to try their luck at his shop. All one had to do was to pay 50 paise, pick up any six discs, add up the numbers on the discs and find the total. The article marked with that number would be theirs.
3. The old man tried his luck at the 'Lucky Shop'. He paid 50 paise and selected six discs. He added up the numbers on them and found the total was 15. He was given the article marked which was a beautiful clock. He did not want a clock. The shopkeeper obliged him by buying it back for 15 rupees. The old man went away very pleased.



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4. The boy was lucky enough and won four prizes in total. He won a won worth 25 paise, then he won a fountain pen worth three rupees. Third time he won a wrist watch worth 25 paise and he went on to win a table lamp which was worth more than 10 rupees.
5. Rasheed was upset because he had hopes of winning big prize and he continued trying his luck again and again, but every time he got a trifle. People were looking at him and laughing at his bad luck, but no one showed any sympathy. He played till he finished all his money.
6. The shopkeeper played tricks to tempt him to try his luck by making him believe that it was luck that got the old man and the boy their prizes but in reality they were friends of the shopkeeper. Therefore, Rasheed tried his luck again and again but only got some cheap things which he sold back to the shopkeeper and lost all his money.

Working with Language

Question A:

The words given against the sentences below can be used both as nouns and verbs. Use them appropriately to fill in the blanks.

- (i) The two teams have _____ three matches already. (play)
(ii) The last day's _____ was excellent.
- (i) She has a lovely _____. (face)
(ii) India _____ a number of problems these days.
- (i) He made his _____ in essay-writing. (mark)
(ii) Articles _____ 'sold' are reserved.
- (i) The police are _____ the area to catch the burglars. (comb)
(ii) An ordinary plastic _____ costs five rupees.
- (i) He gave a _____ in answer to my question. (smile)
(ii) We also _____ to see him smile.
- (i) He said he _____ to be invited to the party. (hope)
(ii) We gave up _____ of his joining the party.
- (i) The boys put up a good athletic _____ . (show)
(ii) The soldiers _____ great courage in saving people from floods.
- (i) You deserve a _____ on the back for your good performance. (pat)
(ii) The teacher _____ the child on the cheek to encourage her.

Answer A:

- (i) The two teams have *played* three matches already.
(ii) The last day's *play* was excellent.
- (i) She has a lovely *face*.
(ii) India *faced* a number of problems these days.
- (i) He made his *marks* in essay-writing.
(ii) Articles *marked* 'sold' are reserved.
- (i) The police are *combing* the area to catch the burglars.
(ii) An ordinary plastic *comb* costs five rupees.
- (i) He gave a *smile* in answer to my question.
(ii) We also *smiled* to see him smile.



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6. (i) He said he *hoped* to be invited to the party.
(ii) We gave up *hope* of his joining the party.
7. (i) The boys put up a good athletic *show*.
(ii) The soldiers *showed* great courage in saving people from floods.
8. (i) You deserve a *pat* on the back for your good performance.
(ii) The teacher *patted* the child on the cheek to encourage her.

Question B:

Notice the use of 'there' in the following sentences.

- **There** was a big crowd at the fair.
- **There** were many things I'd have liked to buy.

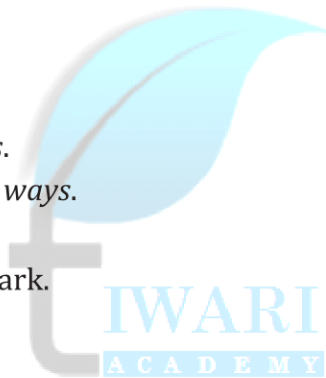
Now rewrite the following sentences using 'there' in the beginning. Look at the following examples.

- I can do *nothing* to help you.
- **There** is nothing I can do to help you.
- *A man* at the door is asking to see you.
- **There** is a man at the door asking to see you.

1. This park has *beautiful* roses.
2. Your story has *no fun* in it.
3. We have *no secrets* between us.
4. My village has two *primary schools*.
5. This problem can be solved in *two ways*.

Answer B:

1. **There** are beautiful roses in this park.
2. **There** is no fun in your story.
3. **There** are no secrets between us.
4. **There** are two primary schools in my village.
5. **There** are two ways in which this problem can be solved.



Question C:

Fill in the blanks in the paragraph below with words from the box.

huge big foolish interesting tiny unlucky last

There was a _____ Eid fair in our village. We could buy anything from a _____ toy to a _____ camel. I went to the fair on its _____ day with Uncle and Bhaiya. We went to the Lucky Shop. It was very _____. I tried my luck but did not win any prize. Later, Uncle told me that I was more _____ than _____.

Answer C:

There was a *huge* Eid fair in our village. We could buy anything from a *tiny* toy to a *big* camel. I went to the fair on its *last* day with Uncle and Bhaiya. We went to the Lucky Shop. It was very *interesting*. I tried my luck but did not win any prize. Later, Uncle told me that I was more *foolish* than *unlucky*.



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Dictation

1:

Some words are given below. Listen carefully to the word from the list the teacher speaks, and write against it another word that has the same pronunciation but different spelling. The first is an example.

fair	fare
buy	_____
one	_____
which	_____
two	_____
no	_____
here	_____
see	_____
there	_____
hare	_____
nun	_____

 **Answer:**

buy	<i>by</i>
one	<i>won</i>
which	<i>witch</i>
two	<i>too</i>
no	<i>know</i>
here	<i>hear</i>
see	<i>sea</i>
there	<i>their</i>
hare	<i>hair</i>
nun	<i>none</i>

