

LESSON - 5

THE LOST CAMEL

Session - 1

I

PRE-READING

- See the picture. How many persons are there in the picture ? Can you guess the persons who have lost the camel ? What are these two persons asking to the other person ?
- Think who can find the lost camel- one who is intelligent or one who has good eye sight ? Let us read the lesson and find it out.



II

WHILE-READING

TEXT

- **SGP-1**
 - Read paragraphs 1 and 2 silently and answer the questions that follow.
1. Two merchants were looking for their lost camel in a desert. They met an old man on the way. They asked him whether he had seen a camel.

2. The old man's answers were in the form of questions. "Is it an old animal?" he asked. The owners said it was. "Is it lame in one leg?" asked the old man. The men said it was. "Is it blind in the left eye?" the old man asked again. The owners were a little surprised. They said the animal was indeed blind in the left eye. "Have you seen the animal?" they asked the old man.

- **Comprehension Questions:**

1. How many persons were there?
2. What were they talking about?
3. Who lost the camel?
4. What did they ask the old man?
5. Did the old man answer their question?
6. He did not answer the question, instead he asked another question. What was it?
7. What was the merchants' answer- 'yes' or 'no'?
8. What was the old man's next question?
9. Did the merchants answer it?
10. What did the old man ask next?
11. Why were the merchants surprised?
12. Did they answer 'yes' or 'no'?
13. What do you know about the lost camel so far?
First.....Second.....
.....Third.....
14. What did the merchants ask him next?

- Guess whether the old man will answer their questions or ask them another question. Read the next part to know.

Session - 2

- **SGP-2**

- Read paragraphs 3-6 and answer the questions that follow.
3. Without answering, the old man said to them, "Is the camel carrying wheat on one side of its back?" The owners said it was. They were sure that the old man had seen the animal. "Isn't the camel carrying honey on the other side?"

4. The owners caught hold of the old man and asked him angrily, "Have you stolen the goods and killed the animal?"

"I have not seen the animal," said the old man calmly.

The merchants asked him, "Do you think we are fools to believe your story?" And they dragged him to the judge.



5. The judge listened to the merchants' story. Then he turned to the old man and asked him where he had seen the camel. The old man said he had never seen it in his life. "How do you know the camel is lame in one leg?" the judge asked the old man.

"I looked at the footprints on the sand," said the old man." And one of them could hardly be seen.

- **Comprehension Questions:**

1. What was the camel carrying on one side of its back?
2. What was the camel carrying on the other side of its back?
3. Why were the merchants sure that the old man had stolen the camel?
4. Why were they angry?
5. What did the old man reply when they told him that he had stolen the camel?
6. Why did the merchants take him to the judge?
7. Did the old man see the camel?
8. How did he know that the camel was lame in one leg?

- Will the judge punish the old man or praise him? Read the next paragraphs and see.

- **SGP-3**

- Read paragraphs 6-7 silently and answer the questions that follow.

6. The judge smiled and asked why the old man thought the camel was blind in one eye.

"The animal had eaten the leaves of bushes on only one side of the road," said the old man.

"Why do you think the camel was carrying wheat and honey?" asked the judge.

"I saw ants carrying fallen grains of wheat on one side of the road," said the old man.

"And there were bees flying around on the other side, I suppose," said the judge.

"Yes, Your Honour," said the old man.

7. The judge then turned to the merchants and said, "This man had made use of his eyes to look at all things. You have eyes, too. Use them. You'll find your animal. "Having eyes is not enough, be intelligent too. And when you find your camel, look after it well. Do not leave it alone. Do not give him heavy loads to carry." Then the judge sent them away.

• **Comprehension Questions:**

1. Why did the judge smile?
2. How did the old man know that the camel was blind in one eye?
3. How did he know that the camel was carrying wheat on one side?
4. How did he know that the camel was carrying honey on the other side?
5. How could the judge guess the answer of the old man? Was he intelligent?
6. Was the judge happy with the old man?
7. Was the judge angry with the merchants?
8. What did the judge advise the merchants to find the camel?
9. Is it enough just having eyes?
10. What else does one need?
11. The judge advised the merchants to take care of the camel. What did he ask them to do?
12. Was the judge kind? How do you know?
13. Who do you like the most in the story? Why?
16. Who is intelligent?
17. Were the merchants cruel? Why? (Think of the condition of the camel-old, blind, lame....)

III

POST-READING

1 Visual Memory Development Technique (VMDT) :

Whole Text : judge advised the merchant, Merchants' dragged the old man to the judge, the merchants were surprised, the merchants were angry.

Part : Para-2 surprised, an old animal, lame in one eye

2 Comprehension Activities :**MCQs:**

Choose the correct option to complete each of the sentences given below .

- The old man didn't ask the merchants' whether the camel _____
 (A) was lost.
 (B) could not see with the left eye.
 (C) was blind in the left eye.
 (D) was lame.
- The old man asked the merchants whether the camel was carrying _____
 (A) wheat and honey.
 (B) stolen goods.
 (C) anything at all.
 (D) a bag of sugar.
- The merchants thought the old man _____
 (A) had not seen the camel at all .
 (B) had stolen the goods and killed the camel .
 (C) was making fun of them .
 (D) had run into the jungle.
- The old man knew the camel was blind in one eye because _____
 (A) the leaves on only one side of the road had been eaten.
 (B) one of his footprints could hardly be seen.
 (C) it had got lost.
 (D) it could not walk.

5. The judge found that the old man knew so much about the camel because _____
- (a) he had seen the camel before.
 - (b) he had killed the camel.
 - (c) he used his eyes to look all things.
 - (d) he rode the camel before.

Session - 4

3 Listening :

Listen to your teacher and fill in the gaps.

Having _____ is not enough , be _____. And when you _____ your camel , look after it _____. Don't leave it _____. Don't give it load to _____.

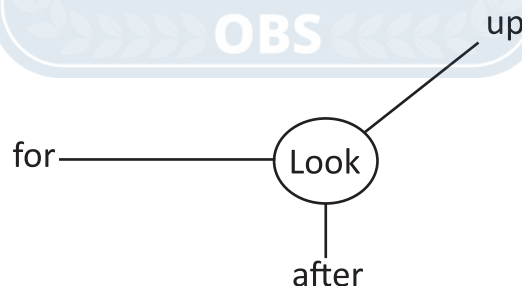
4 Speaking :

- (a) Chain-drill- (i) surprise (ii) camel
Do not give the camel heavy load.

- (b) Dialogue
Old man : Is it an old camel?
Merchants : Yes, it is.

Session - 5

5 Vocabulary :



First see the two-word words (phrases) used in the text. 'Look for' in paragraph - 1. 'look after' in the last paragraph. Now match the two-word words with the right meaning.

- | A | B |
|----------------|----------------------------------|
| (a) look for | (i) take care |
| (b) look up | (ii) search |
| (c) look after | (iii) see a word in a dictionary |

6 Usage :

The old man asked five questions in paragraphs 2 and 3. Write them below. One is done for you.

(i) Is it an old animal ?

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

(iv) _____

(v) _____

Now write the statement form of these questions. The first one is done for you.

(i) It is an old animal.

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

(iv) _____

(v) _____

Session - 6

7 Writing :

(a) Answer the following questions.

(i) What is the story about ?

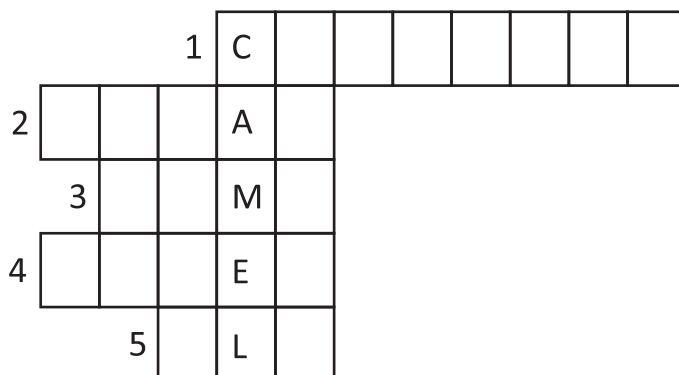
(ii) What was the camel carrying ?

(iii) Who is intelligent in the story ?

(iv) Who is kind ?

(v) Why do you think the merchants were cruel ?

(b) First solve this puzzle.



Clues:

1. Taking something from one place to another . The word is taken from 'carry'
2. A kind of grain from which we get flour and make 'Roti'
3. A form of 'come'
4. A sweet and sticky thing made from flowers by bees.
5. No longer young

Next write about the camel using the words from the puzzle .

The camel was old.

8 Mental Talk :

"Use both your eyes and intelligence."

"Be kind to old animals."

9 Let's Think :

The advice the judge gave the merchants :

"Look after the old camel. Do not give it heavy load to carry."

Aren't these pieces of advice meant for all of us? Should we not be kind to old animals ? Think.

THE LOST CAMEL



Summary of the Text :

Two merchants were looking for their camel in a desert. They met an old man. They asked him if he had seen a camel. Without answering the old man asked them some questions. First he wanted to know if it was an old camel. The owners replied that it was. Then he asked if it was lame in one leg. They replied in the affirmative. His next question was if it was blind in the left eye. The men confirmed that it was blind in the left eye. Then the two men asked him if he had seen the animal. But without answering he asked them if the camel was carrying wheat on one side of its back. The owners said it was. Then he wanted to know if it was carrying honey on the other side. They caught hold of him and asked him if he had stolen the goods by killing the camel. But he quietly replied that he had not seen the animal.

Then they dragged him to the judge. After listening to the complaints of the merchants, the judge asked the old man where he had seen the camel. The old man said he had not seen it in his life. The judge wanted to know how he came to know that the camel was lame in one leg. He replied that he looked at the footprints of the camel on the sand and one of the legs could be hardly be seen.

Then the judge asked him why he thought that the camel was blind in one eye. He replied that the animal had eaten the leaves of the bushes on only one side of the road. Then the judge asked why he thought that the animal was carrying wheat and honey. The old man replied that he had seen ants carrying fallen grains of wheat on one side of the road. Then the judge supposed that the

oldman had also seen the bees flying around on the other side of the road. The old man replied in the affirmative.

Then the judge turned to the merchants and said that the old man had made use of his eyes to look at all things. He also advised them that they must make proper use of their eyes to find their animal. He advised them that they must use their intelligence along with their eyes. He advised that they should look after the animal and not leave it alone. He also told them not to give it heavy loads to carry. He then sent them away.

ସାରାଂଶ :

ଦୁଇଜଣ ବଣିକ ଏକ ମରୁଭୂମିରେ ସେମାନଙ୍କର ହଜିଯାଇଥିବା ଓଟକୁ ଖୋଜୁଥିଲେ । ସେମାନେ ଏକ ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକକୁ ଭେଟିଲେ । ସେମାନେ ତାକୁ ସେମାନଙ୍କର ଓଟକୁ ଦେଖିଛନ୍ତି କି ବୋଲି ପଚାରିଲେ । ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକଟି କିଛି ଉତ୍ତର ନଦେଇ ସେମାନଙ୍କୁ ଓଟଟି ବୃଦ୍ଧ କି ବୋଲି ପଚାରିଲା । ସେମାନେ ହଁ କହିଲେ । ପୁଣି ଜାଣିବାକୁ ଚାହିଁଲା ଓଟଟି ଗୋଟେ ଗୋଡ଼ରେ ଛୋଟା କି ? ପୁନଶ୍ଚ ପଚାରି ଗୋଟେ ଆଖୁରେ ଅନ୍ଧ କି ବୋଲି ଜାଣିବାକୁ ଚାହିଁଲା । ସେଥିରେ ସେମାନେ ହଁ ବୋଲି କହିଲେ । ସେମାନେ ଆଶ୍ଚର୍ଯ୍ୟ ହେଲେ ଏବଂ ସେ ଓଟଟିକୁ ଦେଖିଛନ୍ତି କି ବୋଲି ପଚାରିଲେ । କୌଣସି ଉତ୍ତର ନଦେଇ ବୃଦ୍ଧ ଲୋକଟି ଜାଣିବାକୁ ଚାହିଁଲେ ଯେ ପଶୁଟି ଗୋଟିଏ ପାଖରେ ଗହମ ଓ ଅନ୍ୟ ପାର୍ଶ୍ବରେ ମହୁ ବହନ କରି ଚାଲୁଥିଲା କି ? ସେହି ବଣିକ ଦୁଇଜଣ ନିଶ୍ଚିତ ହେଲେ ଯେ ଏହି ଲୋକଟି ସେ ଓଟକୁ ହତ୍ୟାକରି ଜିନିଷତକ ଚୋରି କରି ନେଇଯାଇଛି । ତେଣୁ ସେମାନେ ତାକୁ ଜବରଦସ୍ତ ଧରି ଟାଣି ଟାଣି ଏକ ବିଚାରକ ପାଖକୁ ନେଇଗଲେ ।

ବିଚାରକ ବଣିକମାନଙ୍କଠାରୁ ସବୁକଥା ଶୁଣି ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକଠାରୁ ଜାଣିବାକୁ ଚାହିଁଲେ ସେ କେଉଁଠାରେ ସେହି ପଶୁଟିକୁ ଦେଖୁଥିଲେ । ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକଟି ଉତ୍ତର ଦେଲେ ସେ କେବେ ତାଙ୍କ ଜୀବନରେ ସେହି ପଶୁଟିକୁ ଦେଖିନାହାନ୍ତି । ତାହାହେଲେ ବିଚାରକ ମହାଶୟଙ୍କ ପ୍ରଶ୍ନ ଥିଲା ସେ କିପରି ଜାଣିଲେ ଯେ ଓଟଟି ଗୋଟିଏ ଗୋଡ଼ରେ ଛୋଟା ଥିଲା । ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକଟି ଉତ୍ତରରେ କହିଲେ ମରୁଭୂମିର ବାଲିରେ ସେ

ଓଟର ପଦଚିହ୍ନକୁ ଦେଖୁଥିଲେ ଏବଂ ସେହି ପଦଚିହ୍ନ ସବୁ ଗୋଟିଏ ପାଦର ଥିଲା । ପଦଚିହ୍ନରେ ଅନ୍ୟ ପାଦଟି ଦେଖିବାକୁ ପାଇ ନଥିଲେ । ତା'ପରେ ସେ ପଚାରିଲେ କାହିଁକି ସେ କହୁଛନ୍ତି ଓଟର ଗୋଟିଏ ଆଖିରେ ଅଛ ଥିଲା । ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକଟି କହିଲେ ଓଟର ରାସ୍ତାର କେବଳ ଗୋଟିଏ ପାର୍ଶ୍ୱରେ ଥିବା ବୁଦାମାନଙ୍କର ପତ୍ରଗୁଡ଼ିକୁ ଖାଇଥିବାର ଦେଖୁଥିଲେ । ପୁନଶ୍ଚ ବିଚାରକଙ୍କର ପ୍ରଶ୍ନ ଥିଲା ସେ କିପରି ଜାଣିଲେ ଯେ ଓଟର ଗହମ ଓ ମହୁ ପିଠିରେ ବହନ କରି ଚାଲୁଥିଲା । ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକଟି ଉତ୍ତର ଦେଲେ ଯେ ସେ ଦେଖିଲେ ରାସ୍ତାର ଗୋଟିଏ ପାର୍ଶ୍ୱରେ ପିମ୍ପୁଡ଼ିମାନେ ପଡ଼ିଥିବା ଗହମ ଦାନାଗୁଡ଼ିକୁ ନେଇ ଚାଲିଛନ୍ତି । ବିଚାରକ ହସ୍ତକ୍ଷେପ କଲେ ଓ ଅନୁମାନ କରି କହିଲେ, ସେ କ'ଣ ଅନ୍ୟ ପାର୍ଶ୍ୱରେ ମହୁମାଛିମାନେ ଉଡୁଥିବାର ଦେଖିଲେ । ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକଟି ଉତ୍ତରରେ 'ହଁ' କହିଲେ ।

ଏହାପରେ ବିଚାରକ ସେହି ଦୁଇ ବଣିକଙ୍କ ଆଡ଼କୁ ଅନାଇ କହିଲେ ବୃଦ୍ଧଲୋକଟି ତା'ର ଆଖି ଦୁଇଟିକୁ ଖୁବ୍ ଭଲଭାବରେ ବ୍ୟବହାର କରିଛନ୍ତି । ସେମାନଙ୍କର ମଧ୍ୟ ଦୁଇଟି ଲେଖାଏଁ ଆଖି ଅଛି । ସେମାନେ ସେମାନଙ୍କର ଆଖିର ଠିକ୍ ବ୍ୟବହାର କରି ହଜି ଯାଇଥିବା ଓଟରକୁ ଖୋଜିବାକୁ ଯତ୍ନଶୀଳ ହେବା ଉଚିତ । ଓଟରକୁ ପାଇଲେ ତାକୁ ଯତ୍ନ ସହକାରେ ପାଳନ କରିବା ଉଚିତ । ତାକୁ ଏକୁଟିଆ ଏଣେତେଣେ ବୁଲିବାକୁ ଛାଡ଼ିଦେବା ଠିକ୍ ନୁହେଁ । ପୁନଶ୍ଚ ସେ ମଧ୍ୟ ଉପଦେଶ ଦେଇ କହିଲେ ଓଟରକୁ ବହୁ ଓଜନର ବୋଝ ବହନ କରିବାକୁ ଦେବା ଠିକ୍ ହେବ ନାହିଁ । ସେମାନଙ୍କୁ ଯଥାର୍ଥ ଉପଦେଶ ଦେଇ ତାଙ୍କଠାରୁ ସେମାନଙ୍କୁ ବିଦାୟ ଦେଇଥିଲେ ।

Comprehension Questions & Answers

1. How many persons were there ?

Ans. There were three persons.

2. What were they talking about ?

Ans. They were talking about a lost camel.

3. Who lost the camel ?

Ans. Two merchants lost the camel.

4. What did they ask the old man ?

Ans. They asked the old man if he had seen camel.

5. Did the old man answer the question ?

Ans. No, the old man didn't answer the question.

6. He did not answer the question instead he asked another question. What was it ?

Ans. He asked them if it was an old animal ?

7. What was the merchants' answer- 'yes' or 'no' ?

Ans. The merchants' answer was 'yes'.

8. What was the old man's next question ?

Ans. The old man's next question was whether the camel was lame in one leg.

9. Did the merchants answer it ?

Ans. Yes, the merchants answered it, as yes

10. What did the old man ask next ?

Ans. The old man asked next if the animal was blind in the left eye.

11. Why were the merchants surprised ?

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Ans. The merchants were surprised because old man was giving an exact description of the camel.

12. Did they answer 'yes' or 'no' ?

Ans. They answered 'yes'.

13. What do you know about the lost camel so far ?

First Second

Third

Ans. First it was an old camel. Second it was lame in one leg. Third it was blind in the left eye.

14. What did the merchants ask him next ?

Ans. The merchants asked him next if he had seen the animal.

- Guess whether the old man will answer their questions or ask them another question. Read the next part to know.

Comprehension Questions & Answers :

1. What was the camel carrying on one side of its pack ?

Ans. The camel was carrying wheat on one side of its back.

2. What was the camel carrying on the other side of its back ?

Ans. The camel was carrying honey on the other side of its back.

3. Why were the merchants sure that the old man had stolen the camel ?

Ans. The merchants found that the old man was giving correct details about the camel. So they were sure that he had seen the animal and stolen it.

4. Why were they angry ?

Ans. They were angry because they thought that the old man had stolen the goods and killed the animal.

5. What did the old man reply when they told him that he had stolen the camel ?

Ans. The old man replied that he had not seen the animal.

6. Why did the merchants take him to the judge ?

Do you think that the old man had really stolen the camel ? Read the next part and see.

Ans. The merchants took him to the judge so that he would be punished for his guilt.

7. Did the old man see the camel ?

Ans. No, the old man did not see the animal.

8. How did he know that the camel was lame in one leg ?

Ans. The old man knew that the camel was lame in one leg because he noticed that the footprints of one of the legs of the camel on the sand was clear while, the footprints of the other leg could hardly be seen.

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1. Why did the judge smile ?

Ans. The judge smiled because he was satisfied with the intelligent answer of the oldman.

2. How did the old man know that the camel was blind in one eye ?

Ans. The old man knew that the camel was blind in one eye because it had eaten the leaves of the bushes on only one side of the road.

3. How did he know that the camel was carrying wheat on one side ?

Ans. He knew that the camel was carrying wheat on one side because he found the ants carrying the fallen grains of wheat on one side of the road.

4. How did he know that the camel was carrying honey on the other side ?

Ans. He knew that the camel was carrying honey on the other side because he found bees flying around on the other side of the road.

5. How could the judge guess the answer of the old man ? Was he intelligent ?

Ans. The judge could guess the answer of the old man because he was sure the old man was an intelligent man.

Yes, the old man was an intelligent man.

6. Was the judge happy with the old man ?

Ans. Yes, the judge was happy with the old man.

7. Was the judge angry with the merchants ?

Ans. Yes, the judge was angry with the merchants.

8. What did the judge advise the merchants to find the camel ?

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Ans. The judge advised the merchants to use their eyes properly to find the camel.

9. Is it enough just having eyes ?

Ans. No, it is not enough just having eyes.

10. What else does one need ?

Ans. One needs intelligence too.

11. The judge advised the merchants to take care of the camel. What did he ask them to do ?

Ans. He asked them not to leave the animal alone and not to give him heavy loads to carry.

12. Was the judge kind ? How do you know ?

Ans. Yes, the judge was kind, because he advised the merchants not to force the camel to carry heavy loads.

13. Who do you like the most in the story ? Why ?

Ans. I like the judge the most because he liked the intelligence of the old man and never found him guilty. He did not punish him. He had a kind heart. He advised the merchants to take care of the camel and not to give it heavy loads to carry when they find it.

14. Who is intelligent ?

Ans. The old man is intelligent.

15. Were the merchants cruel ? Why ?

(Think of the condition of the camel – old, blind, lame)

Ans. Yes, the merchants were cruel. They were not properly looking after the animal although it was old, blind and lame.

POST-READING

Comprehension Activities :

Multiple Choice Questions. Choose the correct option to complete each of the sentences given below.

1. The old man didn't ask the merchants' whether the camel _____.

- (A) was lost.
- (B) could not see with the left eye.
- (C) was blind in the left eye.
- (D) was lame.

2. The old man asked the merchants whether the camel was carrying _____.

- (A) wheat and honey.
- (B) stolen goods.
- (C) anything at all.
- (D) a bag of sugar.

3. The merchants thought the old man _____.

- (A) had not seen the camel at all.
- (B) had stolen the goods and killed the camel.
- (C) was making fun of them.
- (D) had run into the jungle.

4. The old man knew the camel was blind in one eye because _____.

- (A) the leaves on only one side of the road had been eaten.
- (B) one of his footprints could hardly be seen.
- (C) it had got lost.
- (D) it could not walk.

5. The judge found that the old man knew so much about the camel because _____.

- (A) he had seen the camel before.
- (B) he had killed the camel.
- (C) he used his eyes to look all things.
- (D) he rode the camel before.

Ans. 1. (A) was lost, 2. (A) wheat and honey, 3. (B) had stolen the goods and killed the camel, 4. (A) the leaves on only one side of the road had been eaten, 5. (C) he used his eyes to look all things.

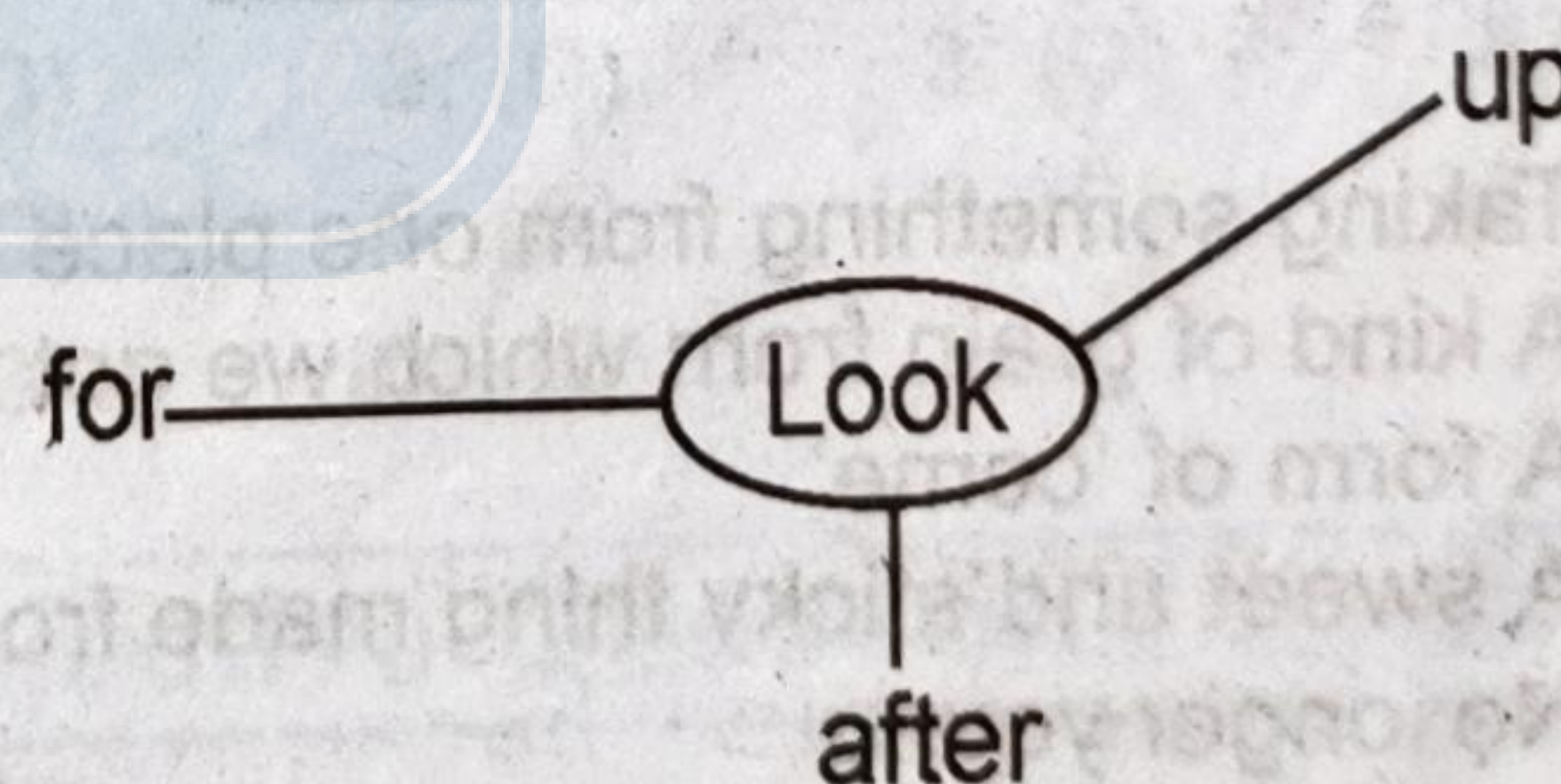
Listening :

Listen to your teacher and fill in the gaps.

Having _____ is not enough, be _____ . And when you _____ your camel, look after it _____. Don't leave it _____. Don't give it load to _____.

Ans. Having eyes is not enough, be intelligent too. And when you find your camel, look after it well. Don't leave it alone. Don't give it load to carry.

Vocabulary :



First see the two-word words (phrases) used in the text. Look for' in paragraph -1. 'look after' in the last paragraph. Now match the two-word words with the right meaning.

A

B

(a) look for

(i) take care

(b) look up

(ii) search

(c) look after

(iii) see a word in a dictionary

A

B

- (i) take care

→ (ii) search

(iii) see a word in a dictionary

Usage :

The old man asked five questions in paragraphs 2 and 3. Write them below.

One is done for you.

- (i) Is it an old animal ?

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

(iv) _____

(v) _____

Writing :

First solve this puzzle.

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Clues :

1. Taking something from one place to another. The word is taken from 'carry'

2. A kind of grain from which we get flour and make 'Roti'

3. A form of 'come'

4. A sweet and sticky thing made from flowers by bees.

5. No longer young

Ans.

- ## 1. CARRYING.

2. WHEAT

3. CAME

4. HONEY

5. OLD

	1	C	A	R	R	Y	I	N	G
2	W	H	E	A	T				
3	C	A	M	E					
4	H	O	N	E	Y				
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Next write about the camel using the words from the puzzle.

The camel was old. It was lost in the desert. It was carrying wheat on one side of its back. It was also carrying honey on the other side of its back.