

Appendix - I

Texts for Listening

Unit -1

TALKING TRAIN

Mary went to the railway station with her parents to receive her grandparents. She heard an announcement. Here it is.

“Your attention please! Train No. 12727 Godavari Express coming from Visakhapatnam is running late by 45 minutes. It will now arrive at 9.45 p.m. We regret the delay because of bad weather.”

Unit-2

SWAMY AND THE MAGIC BEANS

Once upon a time, there was a boy called Swamy. He lived with his mother. They were very poor. They lived in a small hut. All they had was a cow.

One morning, Swamy's mother told him to take the cow to the market and sell her. On the way, Swamy met a man. He was looking strange with a long beard and whiskers. He gave Swamy magic beans and took the cow. Swamy took the beans and went back home.

When Swamy's mother saw the beans, she became very angry. She threw the beans out of the window. The next morning, Swamy looked out of the window and was shocked.

Unit -3

I Like It This Way

It was evening. The school bell rang. Sita and her friends were coming out of the school gate.

Sita asked, “Friends! Will you come to my house to play?”

“Yes, I will,” said Radha. Sania nodded, “I will also come Sita.”

Sita said, “Ok”, and ran to her house.

At home, Sita quickly changed her dress and left the uniform on the cot.

Took out her books from the school bag and began writing her homework.

Then Radha and Sania came. Sita left her books on the floor and spread all her toys around. Sita, Radha and Sania started playing.

Suddenly, they looked out of the window. It was growing dark.

Radha said, “Sita It's getting dark. We'll go home.”

“Ok Bye. Good Night!” said Sita.

Unit -4

THE MOUSE AND THE PENCIL

Chintu fell asleep while doing his homework. He left his books on the table as they were. He left his pencil box open.

One long pencil suddenly woke up and stretched its hands and legs. It felt happy to find itself free.

It thought, “Yeah! How lucky I am! Today the box is open. I can breathe some fresh air. I can play for a while and take a walk. Ha.....Ha

The pencil stood up and looked down.

“Oh! The table is so high. How will I get down ?”

It thought and thought. The pencil got an idea.

“Yes... I can slide down the leg of the table.”

It got down safely and started walking. It ran back and forth. It climbed up and down. It danced and rolled on the carpet. It got up and walked towards the drawing board. Suddenly, it saw something dangerous .It cried out of fear.

Unit – 5

LITTLE RED HEN

Once upon a time there was a little red hen. It had three friends – a pig, a duck and a cat. They all lived in the same house. But the little red hen was different from the friends.

The pig always got up late. But he wanted his meals to be kept ready on the table.

“Hey – you there

“Get my meal ready.”

“Ok, dear! I will get your meals ready.” said the hen.

The duck never used to do any work. She always made the place dirty.

“My dear little hen! Will you clean up my place?” The duck requested the hen.

“Yes, my dear! I will do that for you,” said the hen.

The cat was always sleeping and never kept its bed tidy.

“Dear friend, will you make my bed tidy?” asked the cat.

“Why not? I’ll do it for you.”

After some days, the hen thought, “These fellows are being lazy. Will they ever do any work? I must do something.”

Unit -6

MARY AND THE THREE BEARS

Once upon a time, there was a little girl. Her name was Mary. She had curly hair. She was very naughty.

One day Mary ran into a forest. She was chasing butterflies. She saw a house and knocked at the door. There was no answer. She pushed the door open. There was no one inside.

“What a beautiful house!” exclaimed Mary. “Is anybody there?” said Mary clapping her hands. But there was no response. Mary saw three bowls on the table. There was payasam in those bowls. Mary was very hungry.

Unit-7

THE ANIMAL SCHOOL

It was a hot summer day. Many animals of the forest assembled in and near the pond. All of them were relaxing and talking. Just then, a crow came flying and sat on a branch. A rabbit saw it.

“Welcome Mr. Crow! Where did you go in the hot sun?” asked the rabbit.

“I went deep into the forest and I saw something very surprising,” said the crow.

“Surprising? What was that?” asked a duck.

“I saw an animal school deep in the forest,” said the crow.

A squirrel which was lying in her burrow, heard these words.

She said, “School for animals! What do they teach there?”

“Many things... running, jumping, flying, swimming and much more,” said the crow.

“We would like to join that school!” shouted all the animals.

Unit -8

BIRBAL OUTWITS THE CHEAT

Once upon a time, in the kingdom of Akbar, there was a man called Bajrang. Bajrang was very poor. He wanted to start a business and become rich. But all he had was a well in his backyard.

One day he went to his neighbour, Gopal and said, “Gopal! I want to sell my well. Would you like to buy it?”

“Of course, it will be useful for the vegetable garden in my backyard,” answered Gopal.

Bajrang sold the well and got quite a good sum. He started a business with the money. Within a year, he became very rich. But he became greedy too. He wanted to get his well back. And that too without paying anything. He went to Gopal and said, “Gopal! You have been using my water all these days. You have to pay me for that.”

“What? Are you crazy? I bought the well from you. So the water is mine,” said Gopal angrily.

“But I have sold you only the well, but not its water,” quarelled Bajrang.