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THE QUARREL

A. Warmer

Have you ever quarrelled with your brother or sister or anybody else? What was the cause of the quarrel? Tell it to the whole class.



I quarrelled with my brother,
 I don't know what about,
 One thing led to another
 And somehow we fell out.
 The start of it was slight,
 The end of it was strong,
 He said he was right,
 I knew he was wrong!
 We hated one another.
 The afternoon turned black.
 Then suddenly my brother
 Thumped me on the back,
 And said, 'oh, come along!
 We can't go on all night-
 I was in the wrong.'
 So he was in the right.



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Word to know

quarrel	क्वैरेल	झगड़ा
fell out	फेल आउट	झगड़ा किया, अनबन हो गया
slight	स्लाइट	कम, मामूली
start	स्टार्ट	शुरुआत, प्रारंभ
suddenly	सडनली	एकदम से, अचानक
thumped	थम्पड	ठोका

B. Let's Think and Tell

B.1. True or False:

1. Based on your reading of the poem say whether the following statements are true or false :

- (a) The quarrel was between a cat and a dog.
- (b) The quarrel grew stronger later on.
- (c) The quarrel began at night.

C. Let's Think and Write

C.1. Tick (✓)the correct answer:

Why did the brother thump his brother on the back?

- (a) because he was angry
- (b) because he wanted to stop quarrelling
- (c) because he wanted to hurt his brother/sister



C.2. Answer the following questions:

1. Who is quarrelling in the poem?
2. In the beginning of the poem, the brother is called wrong. In the end, he is called right. Why do you think there is a change in the narrator's opinion about his brother ?

D Let's increase word power

D.1. Words with opposite meanings

*He said he was right,
I knew he was wrong!*

The words 'right' and 'wrong' have opposite meanings.

Write opposites of the following words. Choose them from the words in the Help Box.

strong	_____
hate	_____
out	_____
night	_____
happy	_____
fail	_____
fall	_____
pull	_____

Help Box

day in love weak push pass rise sad



D. 2. Use 'hate', 'happy', 'night' & 'strong' in sentences of your own :

D.3. Words that start with the letter 'q'

The word 'quarrel' starts with the letter 'q'. Write 6 words that start with 'q'. What is the second letter in all these words?

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E. Let's Learn

E.1. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions choosing them from the Help Box.

Help Box

on, from, to, under, in, of, by, with, at, before, for

1. I play my brother.
2. She is going market.
3. Munna lives a village.
4. Put the book the table.
5. Radha is coming Delhi.
6. A cow is sitting the tree.
7. Who isthe door.
8. Come back sunset.

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9. This toy is you.
10. What is the name your friend.
11. I like to travel train.

F. Let's Talk and Write

F.1. Talk about a quarrel

Why do you think the children in the poem are quarrelling? Do you pick up a quarrel with your brother or sister? Why? (if you do not have a brother or sister talk about a fight with your cousin or friend.)

F.2. Write about your quarrel

Complete the following passage, choosing words from the brackets.

I quarrelled with my(brother/sister/friend).
 We quarrelled for a(long time/short time).
 We during this time.
 (stopped talking to each other/ hit each other/called each other bad names). We quarrelled because both of us wanted to
 (eat an apple / bat a ball / ride on a bicycle).
 My said sorry. (brother / sister / friend).
 We started playing together again.
