

# Chapter 1: Dick Whittington and his Cat

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## WARMING UP [PAGE 5]

### Warming up | Q 1. (a) | Page 5

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## SOLUTION

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### **SOLUTION**

**Charlie Chaplin**

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### **SOLUTION**

**Kalpana Chawla**

### **Warming up | Q 1. (b) | Page 5**

Guess the types of hardships they must have faced in their childhood and youth.

### **SOLUTION**

- i. poverty
- ii. lack of support
- iii. social disapproval
- iv. lack of opportunities

### **Warming up | Q 1. (c) | Page 5**

What strong qualities possessed by them, could have helped them achieve success and fame, all over?

### **SOLUTION**

- i. strong will power
- ii. optimism
- iii. sincerity
- iv. hard work

### Warming up | Q 1. (d) | Page 5

How do stories/biographies of such famous people help youngsters?

#### SOLUTION

- i. They help youngsters to look at life positively.
- ii. They inspire the youth.
- iii. They help them find answers to questions.
- iv. They prove that we can do many seemingly impossible things if we really wish to.

### Warming up | Q 2 | Page 5

Write the names of any 5 of your classmates and list how many syllables each name has.

#### SOLUTION

(i) Jai	: 1 syllable
(ii) Remo	: 2 syllables
(iii) Saira	: 2 syllables
(iv) Shailaja	: 3 syllables
(v) Mandakini	: 4 syllables
(vi) Ali	: 2 syllables

### ENGLISH WORKSHOP [PAGES 9 - 11]

#### English workshop | Q 1. (A) | Page 9

**Arrange the following set of words in the alphabetical order in your notebook.**

ship, small, successful, scoldings, stone, saving, someone, stood, streets, still, screamed, sat, seemed, saint, share.

#### SOLUTION

saint, sat, saving, scoldings, screamed, seemed, share, ship, small, someone, still, stone, stood, streets, successful.

#### English workshop | Q 1. (B) | Page 9

**Remove the Affixes (Prefix and Suffix) and write the Root-word.**

1. successful - \_\_\_\_\_
2. immediately - \_\_\_\_\_
3. retrace - \_\_\_\_\_
4. mouser - \_\_\_\_\_
5. unfriendly - \_\_\_\_\_

6. fallen - \_\_\_\_\_
7. unkind - \_\_\_\_\_
8. wooden - \_\_\_\_\_
9. luckily - \_\_\_\_\_
10. belonging - \_\_\_\_\_

### **SOLUTION**

1. successful - success
2. immediately - immediate
3. retrace - trace
4. mouser - mouse
5. unfriendly - friend
6. fallen - fall
7. unkind - kind
8. wooden - wood
9. luckily - luck
10. belonging - belong

### **English workshop | Q 2. (A). (a) | Page 10**

**Find from the story one word for the following.**

a small room just below a sloping roof \_\_\_\_\_

### **SOLUTION**

a small room just below a sloping roof attic

### **English workshop | Q 2.(A). (b) | Page 10**

**Find from the story one word for the following.**

a very narrow passage between buildings \_\_\_\_\_

### **SOLUTION**

a very narrow passage between buildings alley

### **English workshop | Q 2. (A). (c) | Page 10**

**Find from the story one word for the following.**

the highest-ranking officer in the Municipality of a city/town \_\_\_\_\_

### **SOLUTION**

the highest-ranking officer in the Municipality of a city/town Mayor

### **English workshop | Q 2. (A). (d) | Page 10**

**Find from the story one word for the following.**

the highest-ranking official who commands a ship\_\_\_\_\_

**SOLUTION**

the highest-ranking official who commands a ship Captain

**English workshop | Q 2. (A). (e) | Page 10**

Find from the story one word for the following.  
any animal that catches mice \_\_\_\_\_

**SOLUTION**

how do you make mouser

**English workshop | Q 2. (A). (f) | Page 10**

Find from the story one word for the following.  
a low constant sound made by cats \_\_\_\_\_

**SOLUTION**

a low constant sound made by cats Purr

**English workshop | Q 2. (B). (1) | Page 10**

Make sentence of your own using the following expression.  
overcome:

**SOLUTION**

We must learn to overcome any difficulties we come across.

**English workshop | Q 2. (B). (2) | Page 10**

Make sentence of your own using the following expression.  
put up with:

**SOLUTION**

We had to put up with the noisy behaviour of our neighbor's son.

**English workshop | Q 2. (B). (3) | Page 10**

Make sentence of your own using the following expression.  
bargain:

**SOLUTION**

People in India love to bargain With hawkers.

**English workshop | Q 3 | Page 10**

Rearrange the following events as they occur in the story. Put the correct number in the boxes.

- a. Mr. Fitzwarren provided shelter to Dick.

- b. A carter gave Dick a lift to London.
- c. A cat sailed to the African coast.
- d. The captain sold the cat for a very high amount of money.
- e. Dick left his village on foot, to go to London.
- f. Dick became rich, and later, the Mayor of London.
- g. Dick was homeless, helpless, cold, and hungry.
- h. Dick bought a cat to get rid of the mice.
- i. The rats and mice ate up all the dinner, laid for the king and queen

### **SOLUTION**

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(e) Dick left his village on foot, to go to London.	<b>1</b>
(f) Dick became rich, and later, the Mayor of London	<b>9</b>
(g) Dick was homeless, helpless, cold and hungry.	<b>3</b>
(h) Dick bought a cat to get rid of the mice	<b>5</b>
(i) The rats and mice ate up all the dinner, laid for the king and queen.	<b>7</b>

### **English workshop | Q 4. (a) | Page 10**

#### **Think and answer.**

What decision taken by Dick changed his fortune?

### **SOLUTION**

On hearing the church bells send out a message to him, Dick decided to retrace his steps and go back to Mr. Fitzwarren's house instead of running away. This decision changed Dick's fortune.

### **English workshop | Q 4. (b) | Page 10**

#### **Think and answer.**

What message does this story bring out for youngsters?

### **SOLUTION**

The message that this story brings out for youngsters is that we must not run away from difficulties but face them bravely.

### English workshop | Q 5. (A) | Page 10

Break the words below into syllables as shown in the first one.

belonging :

morning :

unfriendly :

citizen :

anything :

message :

difficulty :

mayor :

captain :

elected :

#### **SOLUTION**

belonging :	be-long-ing
morning :	mor-ning
unfriendly :	un-friend-ly
citizen :	ci-ti-zen
anything :	an-y-thing
message :	mess-age
difficulty :	di-ffi-cul-ty
mayor :	ma-yor
captain :	cap-tain
elected :	e -lec-ted

### English workshop | Q 5. (B) | Page 11

Degrees of Comparison of Adjectives.

Complete the table of degrees of comparison.

Positive	Comparative	Superlative
(1) great		
(2) famous		
(3)	easier	
(4)	worse	
(5)		poorest
(6)		laziest

(7) little		
(8)	worthier	
(9) popular		

### **SOLUTION**

<b>Positive</b>	<b>Comparative</b>	<b>Superlative</b>
(1) great	<b>greater</b>	<b>greatest</b>
(2) famous	<b>more famous</b>	<b>most famous</b>
(3) <b>easy</b>	easier	<b>easiest</b>
(4) <b>bad</b>	worse	<b>worst</b>
(5) <b>poor</b>	<b>poorer</b>	poorest
(6) <b>lazy</b>	<b>lazier</b>	laziest
(7) little	<b>less</b>	<b>least</b>
(8) <b>worthy</b>	worthier	<b>worthiest</b>
(9) popular	<b>more popular</b>	<b>most popular</b>

### **English workshop | Q 6 | Page 11**

Select any one of the famous personalities mentioned in 'Warming up 1' on page no. 5. From the library or internet find out their success story.

Write it in your own words in about 20 to 30 lines of your notebook. Give your write-up a suitable title.

### **SOLUTION**

Students do it on your own.