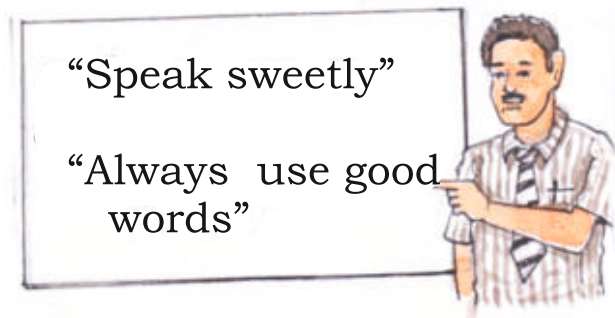


- Can we make the world a happy place by saying good words?
- Don't we make the world a sad place by saying bad words?
- Do words ever die?

Let us enjoy the following poem about 'words' and their role to make the world happy or sad.

A word can never be recalled.
It remains forever said.
As long as there is memory,
No word is ever dead.



Now careless words once spoken,
Can bring grief to a heart,
And often times in memory,
These words can never depart.

To make the world a sadder,
Or a happier place each day,
Is within the power of each of us,
By just the things we say,

Since words live for ever,
It's up to you and me,
To see that what we say each day,
Makes the world a better place to be.

Glossary

recall	:	to ask to return, to remember something from the past
forever	:	for all time, permanently
grief	:	a feeling of great sadness
memory	:	ability to remember things
depart	:	to leave a place

Activity I



A. Tick the correct alternative

1. Where do the 'said words' remain forever?

- a) In the books
- b) In our memory
- c) In computer files
- d) None of the above

2. Who makes the world a happy or sad place?

- a) Each of us
- b) None of us
- c) Some of us
- d) None of the above

B. Say whether the following statements are **True** or **False**. Write '**T**' for **True** and '**F**' for **false** in the brackets.

- i) A word can never be recalled. ()
- ii) No word is ever dead. ()
- iii) Carelessly spoken words can bring grief to a heart. ()
- iv) We can make this world a happy place. ()
- v) The poem advocates for the careful use of words in speech. ()

C. Answer each of the following questions in 10-15 words.

- i) What makes the words a better place?
- ii) 'It's upto you and me? What does the poet mean by 'you' and 'me'?
- iii) Explain : 'A word can never be recalled,' It remains forever said.
- iv) What message does the poet convey in this poem?
- v) Find out and write down the rhyming words given in the poem.

Activity II



A. Fill in the blanks by choosing suitable words from the box-

forever	depart	happy
memory	words	dead

- i) Words can never
- ii) Sweet or sour words remain in our.....
- iii) Words live on
- iv) People make the world.....or sad.
- v)like arrows can't be recalled.
- vi) No word is ever.....

Activity III



A. Read the following sentence carefully-

To make the world a sadder or a happier place each day.

- 'happier' and 'sadder' are comparative adjectives.
- These have been formed by adding 'er' to the positive adjectives 'happy' and 'sad'.
- Keep the rules of spellings in your mind while adding- er to the positive adjectives, i.e. 'y' has been changed into 'i' and 'd' has been doubled in happier and sadder respectively.

Now fill in the following blanks with comparative adjectives. The positive adjectives are given in the brackets below-

- i) A saint's life is(holy) than others.
- ii) Laxmi is(tall) than Lavina.
- iii) Jaipur is(hot) than Mount Abu.
- iv) Aruna is(jolly) than Asha.
- v) Anil's work is(neat) than Amit's work.
- vi) Ram and shyam are(fat) than Ramakant and Ramesh.

Activity IV



Read out the poem, 'Words Never Die' to your friend and ask her/ him to read it out to you-

Activity V



There is a nonsense rhyme below. Recite it and then, compose such a rhyme yourself.

Inky-pinky ponky
 Father had a donkey
 The donkey died
 Father cried
 Inky-pinky ponky.