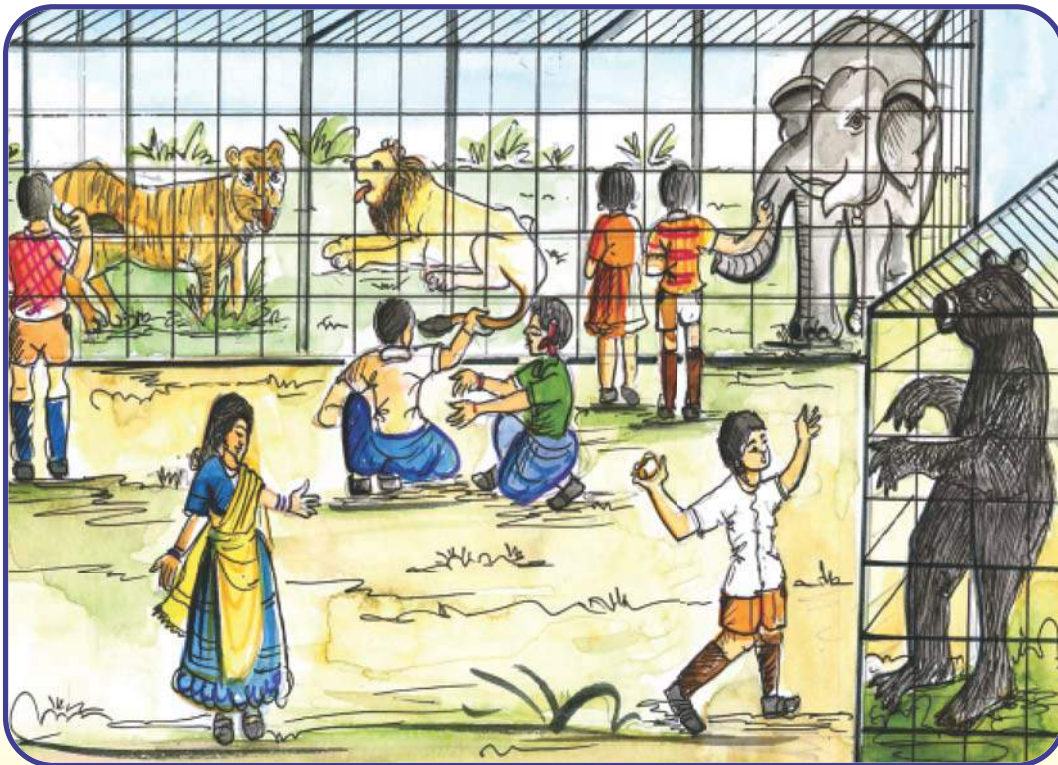


- Have you seen a tiger and an elephant together?
- Where do you see the tiger?

Let us read the story about animals.

After the last visitor had left, the animals of a zoo used to assemble everyday around a pond, which was in the middle of the zoo. For an hour, they could either play about lolling in the water, rolling on the sand or merely chat with each other. It was the fun time for the animals and they made the most out of it.

But, for the last few days they have stopped this activity. They rather preferred being left alone. Huttu, the owl, was surprised at this sudden change. "We must not hide anything from each other. Why are we neglecting each other? We should talk about our problems or else how shall we find solutions to them?", said Huttu.



Motu, the elephant, broke the silence, "I am fed up of the people who come here. They hurt my feelings. They make fun of me. They look at my tusks with greedy eyes and say they could fetch them good money."

Rangu, the crocodile spoke lazily, "I am getting scared myself. You know I feel very hungry. One morning some girls were feeding me with potatoes. A wicked boy pushed a stone in my mouth. My stomach ached for ten days."

Kalu, the bear, shook his head angrily. He began to relate his story, "One evening a group of naughty boys came and stood at my cage. They were carrying a large bread. They began to give me one slice after the other. When I was about to finish my last slice of bread, I bit something sharp. It turned out to be a blade. Seeing me in pain the boys clapped their hands and laughed."

Roaring, the tiger said worriedly, "These human beings think a tiger ought to do nothing except to sit around and roar round the clock. If they find me peacefully asleep, they throw stones at me. They try to make me angry so that I can roar at them."

Hallu, the gibbon said gravely, "Horrible! Just horrible! I have had the same experience myself. I am the most popular animal in the zoo. A large crowd gathers outside my cage. I love yelling and screaming especially for the little children who come to see me. But two weeks ago when they sent my best friend Rolu to another zoo, I began to feel so lonely that I could not bring myself to laugh, leap or dance. Naturally the people who came to see me were disappointed.

One day two boys came and stood by my cage. One of them poked a stick at me while the other tried to cut my tail with a knife. I managed to save myself by rushing into my room."

"Things have really become worse", said Huttu sorrowfully. "We ought to do something to teach these human beings a lesson. I have got an idea. Let's go on a strike. We will stay in our rooms. We won't come outside. Let these human beings know that we are angry with them."



Hallu said, "That's a good idea. How will they hurt us when they can't see us?" They all agreed to it and left for their cages.

The next day was Sunday. There was a big rush at the zoo. Several bus loads of school students flocked in the zoo to see the animals. A crowd of grown ups accompanied them as well.

But there were no animals to be seen. The cages looked empty. Everybody wondered what could have happened but none of them could guess anything.

However, a nine year old girl, Nivedita could guess the right reason as she told her friend, Shelly, "The animals are tired of being bullied and teased by us. I wish there were some way we could show them that we care for them." Well, I have an idea," said Shelly. "Let's get the whole class set to work on it." For three days all classmates spent their spare time painting a big banner with the words, "We love you, animals. We'll never tease you again."

When the banner was ready, they carried it to the zoo and took it from one cage to the other. All the animals felt much better after reading it. They thought the children cared for them. They really missed them. So they came into the open space of their cages. The children were delighted to see them again.

GLOSSARY:

assemble	:	gather at one place
lolling	:	sitting or standing lazily
prefer	:	like better
solutions	:	answer to a problem or difficulty
tusks	:	pair of long pointed teeth of an elephant
fetch	:	go and bring
scream	:	a loud high cry of fear, pain, etc.
disappointed	:	nervous, upset
flock	:	gather, assemble
accompany	:	go with
bully	:	terrorize
tease	:	give pain
gibbon	:	a kind of monkey

Activity - I**A. Tick the correct alternative:**

- I. Who was the most popular animal in the zoo?
 - a) elephant
 - b) bear
 - c) lion
 - d) gibbon
- II. "I am getting scared myself" who said this sentence?
 - a) Motu
 - b) Hallu
 - c) Rangu
 - d) Kalu

III. Who did the children try to make angry?

- a) elephant
- b) tiger
- c) owl
- d) crocodile

B. Say whether the sentences are true or false.

- I. The owl suggested that the animals should talk over their problems. ()
- II. The animals did not like the way people treated them in the zoo . ()
- III. The elephant advised the animals for strike . ()
- IV. The animals were very happy to read the message on the banner. ()
- V. The children took the banner from one cage to the other. ()

C. Answer the following questions in 10 to 20 words.

- I. Where did the animals usually assemble?
- II. What did the animals do in the fun time?
- III. When did the animals show their anger?
- IV. Who was Nivedita?
- V. How did the animals feel happy?
- VI. Why did the cages look empty?

D. Answer the following questions in 30 to 40 words:

- I. What did the animals do to teach a lesson to the children?
- II. How could the animals come again in the open space of the cages?

Activity - II

A. Fill in the blanks with the suitable words from the box below

delighted, tease, asleep, flock, spend

- I. It is very bad to _____ anyone.
- II. You should _____ your spare time in drawing pictures.
- III. He saw a _____ of sheep in the village yesterday.
- IV. My son was _____ to find ice-cream.
- V. Children thought that all the animals of the zoo were _____

B. Match the following words in column 'A' with their meanings in column 'B'

A

prefer
assemble
shook
scream
flock

B

a long cry of fear, pain, etc.
like better
gather at one place
group of animals
moved

C. Add 'ing' to the following words:-

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| I. run | VI. clap |
| II. care | VII. yell |
| III. put | VIII. chat |
| IV. roll | IX. whip |
| V. loll | X. tease |

Activity - III

Read the following sentences carefully.

- I. The match will start at 5 p.m. We ought to reach the playground at 4.30 p.m.
- II. You are very weak. You ought to take a balanced diet.

We use 'ought to' when we think we have a moral duty to do something.
It shows that some action would be right or sensible in a situation.

A. Rewrite the following sentences using 'ought to':-

- I. You should take care of your health.
- II. You should not tease the animals in the zoo.
- III. Everyone should send the girls to schools.
- IV. The building is damaged. It should be repaired.
- V. You should keep your house clean.

B. Complete the sentences using 'ought to' :-

- I. Deepawali is coming soon. you
- II. Your sari is very dirty. You
- III. Your labours look tired. They
- IV. The rose plant is drying up. You.....
- V. Shanu has been eating too many sweets. She
- VI. Your hand writing is very bad. You

C. Either _____ or

Read the following sentence:-

Example :- Adhi Shri is either a teacher or a doctor.

(She is one of the alternatives.)

Join the following sentences using 'either _____ or'

- I. You can go by bus. You can go by train.
- II. You or he will be selected for the championship.
- III. Ojasvi can take part in dance. Ojasvi can take part in song.
- IV. She can read English. She can read French.
- V. Raju went to the market. Raju went to the cinema.
- VI. Saroj is a principal. Indra is a principal.
- VII. She drinks tea. She drinks coffee.
- VIII. Renu broke the window glass. Raju broke the window glass.
- IX. Jai would be sent to fetch milk. Sandeep would be sent to fetch milk.

Activity - IV

A. The teacher will recite the poem and students will follow.

At the zoo we saw a bear

He had long, dark fuzzy hair

We saw a lion in a cage

He was in awful rage

We saw the big long-necked giraffe

And the silly monkeys made us laugh,

But my favourite animal at zoo is the elephant, what about you ?

B. Which of the under lined letters have a different sound.

1. A. lunch B. fetch
 C. stomach D. change ()

2. A. loud B. around
 C. about D. thought ()

Activity - V

You have returned home after visiting a zoo. You have enjoyed watching the animals in the zoo. Write a diary note expressing your feelings.

You may use the following hints in your diary writing:

Name of the zoo

Day of the visit

Names of the animals, birds you saw there

The voice you heard

Things you gave to the animals

How you felt when you saw the animals and birds, etc.