

## Pre-reading

## Dictionary Reference: Learning New Words

## Activity 1

Look up the following words in a dictionary. You should seek the following information about the words and put them in your WORDS notebook.

1. Meaning of the word as used in the lesson (adjective/noun/verb, etc.)
2. Pronunciation (The teacher may refer to a dictionary or a mobile phone for correct pronunciation.)
3. Spellings

stared	ageing	cataract	anxiety
recovery	brimming	confident	matters
transport	bother	burden	partial

## Reading

## Let us read the story

"Bebe, you need an eye surgery. How I wish I could have been there for you!" Sunny spoke as he was trying to control his tears. "Are you crying, puttar?" Bebe stared at the phone screen and began to weep.

For the last fifteen years, Sunny flew down from Canada every year to meet his ageing mother. His wife and two young daughters would also travel with him. They used to spend a lovely time together at their old family house in Talwandi, a village in Punjab. His elder sister, Khwahish lived nearby in Ludhiana and she would also come to the family get together with her husband and sons. Bebe had been waiting for



Sunny to come and manage her admission to the hospital and surgery. But it was difficult for him to come this year, for all the flights had been cancelled due to Covid-19 around the world.

Khwahish rushed to comfort her mother, "Why are you crying Bebe? I am there for you."

Being the elder sister, Khwahish had always wanted to take care of her mother, especially after the death of her father. She tried hard to bring her to live with her but Bebe believed that married daughters belong to their husband's family. So, she never disturbed Khwahish with any request for help.

Khwahish looked at the phone screen and said to her brother Sunny, "And you stop worrying too. I can take care of Bebe's eye surgery and we can meet when the flights are allowed again. Have I not looked after you when you were a little kid?"

Sunny replied, "Yes, didi. How can I forget that I am sixteen years younger than you! You have loved me not only as an elder sister but have always taken care of me like a parent. You were the one to teach me how to ride a bicycle. I used to finish my homework on time because of you. But this time it is different. Bebe would never agree to get the eye operation done when I am not there. And I feel bad for her because she is not able to see clearly. The cataract in both her eyes is getting worse." "Sunny, I can feel your anxiety. But do not worry I will get Bebe's eye surgery done." Khwahish ended the video call.



Khwahish was pleased having convinced Bebe for the eye surgery without Sunny being around. Bebe knew if she wanted to continue living alone, her eyes needed to be perfectly fine. Khwahish got to work. She talked to the doctor and fixed an appointment for the operation. Then she went to the bank to withdraw money to pay the hospital bills. Khwahish also got a separate room ready at home for her quick recovery.



The surgery was successful. Khwahish had never felt so happy before.

But Bebe had mixed feelings.

She thought, "I am proud to see my daughter brimming with confidence. She puts eye drops in my eyes and gives me medicines in time. She manages the house so well. Even her sons take help from her in matters of their transport business. But I feel bad about bothering her family with my eye surgery."

Bebe recovered within a month and decided to return to her home.

Khwahish said to her mother once again, "Bebe, please live here with us. I will be glad to give you the same love and care that I have got from you."

Bebe could not refuse this time. She held her daughter close and said, "Khwahish, how could I forget the wish I had asked for my entire life? True to your

name, you are the child I have always wished for. I am sorry for being partial in the way I treated both Sunny and you. Yes, this is my home and I will live here with you, my child."

### Post-reading

#### Vocabulary Expansion

##### Activity 2

Give opposites of the words given below. The first two have been done for you.

Word		Opposite
1	lovely	ugly
2	together	separate
3	quiet	_____
4	elder	_____
5	hard	_____
6	stop	_____
7	crying	_____
8	forget	_____
9	lucky	_____
10	comfort	_____

##### Activity 3

Write meaningful sentences using the words given below. The meanings and picture cues are also given.

1. tears (noun) drops of water that come from your eyes when you cry



**Sentence:** The sad story brought **tears** to our eyes.

2. **elder** (adjective) older person



Sentence : \_\_\_\_\_

3. **cancel** (verb) to stop something that was planned



Sentence : \_\_\_\_\_

4. **disease** (noun) illness of the body



Sentence : \_\_\_\_\_

5. **surgery** (noun) an operation



Sentence : \_\_\_\_\_

6. **confident** (adjective) sure of one's abilities



Sentence : \_\_\_\_\_

### Learning to Read and Comprehend

#### Activity 4

Read the story and answer the following questions.

1. Why was Sunny's flight cancelled?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Where was Bebe's old family house located?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Why did Bebe need an eye surgery?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Who got Bebe's eye surgery done?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What does the name 'Khwahish' mean?  
\_\_\_\_\_

#### Activity 5

Write 'True' and 'False' for the statements given below:

1. Sunny lives in Ludhiana with Bebe. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Khwahish is sixteen years older than Sunny. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Bebe is unable to meet her son this year due to the travel ban. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Sunny has two daughters. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Bebe happily agrees to get her eye surgery done in Sunny's absence. \_\_\_\_\_



## Learning Language

### Prepositions

My birthday is **in** May.

You can find your hat **on** the shelf.

The bird flew **over** the tree.

Read the above sentences carefully. Look at the words in **bold**.

These words show **where** something is (like – **on** the shelf, **over** the tree) or **when** something happens (like – **in** May).

*Do you know what are these words called?*

These words are called **Prepositions**.

Prepositions are words that tell us where a noun or a pronoun stands in relation to another.

Prepositions are often placed before a noun or a pronoun to show a place, direction, or method.

#### Activity 6

Choose the correct preposition from the bracket and fill in the blank.

1. I cannot write **with** this pen. (in/with)
2. He is good \_\_\_\_\_ Mathematics. (at/on)
3. The bus moves \_\_\_\_\_ the busy roads. (from/on)
4. Do not laugh \_\_\_\_\_ anyone. (on/at)
5. We have heard a lot \_\_\_\_\_ cricket. (about/under)
6. He is different \_\_\_\_\_ his brother. (from/of)
7. The king ruled \_\_\_\_\_ a vast empire. (in/over)

#### Activity 7

Underline the prepositions in the note given below.

A picnic is being organised **for** students of Class VI on August 10, 20\_\_\_. The bus will leave the school at 8 a.m. sharp. The picnic hours will be from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Students must be dressed in their school uniform. Those who are interested to go

should give their names and also a sum of Rs. 300/- to their class monitors latest by August 1, 20.....

### Activity 8

Your teacher will tell you a story. Listen to the story carefully and match the columns in the table given below to form correct sentences from the story. The first one has been done for you.

1	My name is Amandeep Kaur	A	we played together.
2	A girl or a boy plays any sport	B	teach us the right way to live.
3	We all became good friends because	C	we should never give up until we succeed.
4	I believe that sports	D	they think only about winning the game to win.
5	I fell frequently	E	but I never gave up.
6	In the same way, we make mistakes in our lives but	F	and I love playing football.





## Learning to Speak

### Homophones

Homophones are words that sound the same, but have different meanings and spellings.

For example

The wind **blew** hard and the sky was **blue**.

She **ate** biscuits in the meeting. It was held at **eight** in the morning.

The context of the word can help you decide which homophone should be used.

#### Activity 9

Complete each sentence by choosing the correct word from the homophones given in the brackets and read it aloud:

1. I ate an egg and two slices of bread for my breakfast yesterday. (ate/eight)
2. My favourite book is 'The Jungle Book' \_\_\_\_\_ Rudyard Kipling. (buy/by)
3. Farmers \_\_\_\_\_ their crops at the market. (cell/sell)
4. There is no \_\_\_\_\_ in the container. (flour/floor)
5. The strong door was made up of \_\_\_\_\_. (steal/steel)
6. She became \_\_\_\_\_ after illness. (week/weak)

## Learning to Write

### Slogan Writing

#### What is a Slogan?

A slogan is a short and an attractive phrase (group of words) that highlights a theme/central idea. The idea of a slogan is to leave a message in people's minds and attract their attention.

It should be easy to remember. In general, the slogan is used for spreading business, social, or political ideas.

Here are a few examples:



### How can we write a Slogan?

Here are some points to keep in mind while writing a slogan:

- understand who you are writing the slogan for – what is their age, background gender, and how your slogan is related to them
- keep it short
- highlight the main idea
- try to use more verbs
- try to link to a proverb or a well-known expression, if possible

### Activity 9

Write a slogan for each of these pictures in not more than 10 words. Remember, you are writing the slogans for your school friends.

One has already been done for you.



Your Slogan :



Your Slogan :

*Everyone can cook!*



Your Slogan :



Your Slogan :



Your Slogan :