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## Life Echoes

**Discuss:**

1. Do you help your friends?
2. Does anybody help you?
3. Have you heard of the saying 'Do good, and have good'? (कर भला तो हो भला)
4. What are your views about this saying?


### Let us read a story about love and hate:

One day a little child asked his mother to give him ten rupees for toffees. His mother disallowed it. He was not happy and said to her, "I hate you." He ran out of the house and went up to a valley and shouted, "I hate you! I hate you!" Soon the son heard the echo, "I hate you! I hate you!" He got afraid, and thought that



somebody hated him. He ran back to his mother and said that there was a bad boy in the valley who had shouted, "I hate you! I hate you!"

The mother asked him to go back to the place and shout, "I love you! I love you!" The little child went there and



shouted, "I love you! I love you!" He now heard the echo repeating after him, "I love you! I love you!" The child ran back home, hugged his mother and said, "I love you, Maa!" He had learned a new lesson in life.

## Glossary

disallowed	-	अनुमति नहीं दी
valley	-	घाटी
hate	-	नफरत करना
echo	-	प्रतिध्वनि

## Activity I

**A. Read the following sentences. Write T for true and F for false sentences.**

1. The child ran into the house. (     )
2. The child went up the hill. (     )
3. The second time, the child heard the echo, "I hate you! I hate you!" (     )
4. The mother told the child to go back to the place and shout, "I love you! I love you!" (     )
5. The child ran back to his father. (     )



**B. Answer the following questions in brief:**

1. What did the little child:
  - a) shout at first?
  - b) hear at first?
  - c) shout the second time?
  - d) hear the second time?
2. What do you think, was the lesson learnt by the little child?

**Activity II**

**Read the words given below:**

allow

disallow

The prefix 'dis' is used to make opposites, e.g. The word 'disallow' is the opposite of the word 'allow'. Now use or remove the prefix 'dis' to make the following opposites:

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| 1. able      | .....     |
| 2. ....      | dislike   |
| 3. assemble  | .....     |
| 4. advantage | .....     |
| 5. ....      | disaffect |
| 6. agree     | .....     |
| 7. allow     | .....     |
| 8. ....      | disappear |
| 9. belief    | .....     |
| 10. ....     | discharge |



### Activity III

**Now enact the read story into a play. We need three actors.**

**(Characters-mother, child and voiceover)**

Child (happily) : Maa! Can I have Rupees 10  
for toffees?

Mother (annoyed) : No! You cannot!

Child (upset) : I hate you!

(The child runs to a corner of the classroom and speaks.)

Child : I hate you! I hate you!

Voiceover : I hate you! I hate you!

Child ( returning to his mother) : Maa! Maa! There is a bad  
boy in the valley.

Mother (looking surprised) : *Achha !* How did you know?

Child : The bad boy said to me, "I  
hate you! I hate you!

Mother : Oh! I see! Now go back and  
shout, "I love you!"

(The child runs to the same corner of the classroom and speaks.)

Child : I love you! I love you!

Voiceover : I love you! I love you!

Child(surprised) : Oh! Now I see! What you  
give is what you get in return.

## Activity IV

**Read the following sentences:**

The little boy shouted, "I love you!"

The mother asked him to go back.....

The boy learned a new lesson.

The underlined words 'asked' 'shouted' and 'learned' are past forms of the verbs 'ask' 'shout' and 'learn'. One way of making past forms of the verbs is through the use of the suffix '-ed' or '-d'.

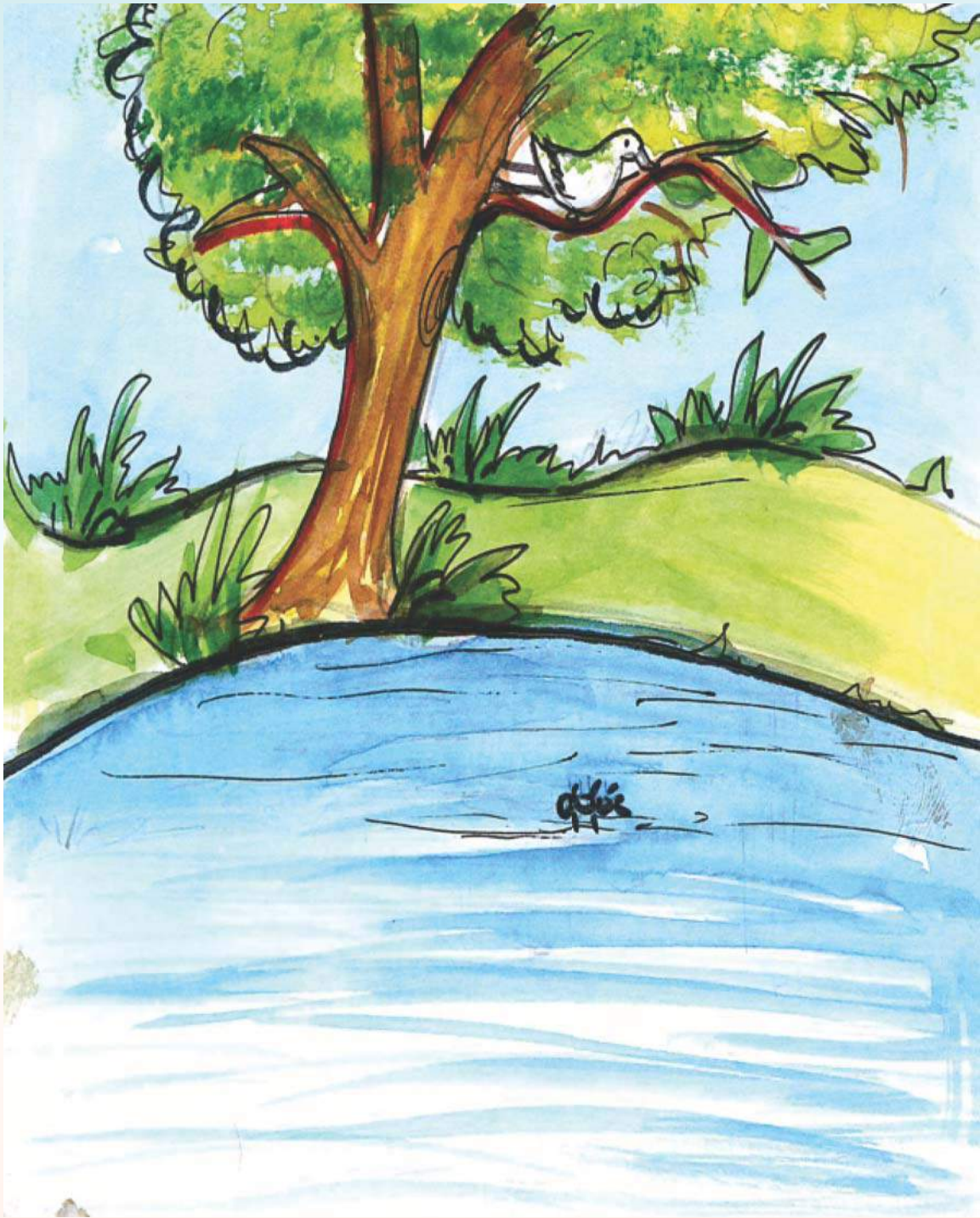
**Now fill in the blanks with past forms of the verbs given in the brackets:**

1. He ..... (look) out of the house.
2. She ..... (play) with her classmates.
3. The child ..... (hate) his mother.
4. In the end, the child ..... (love) his mother.
5. He ..... (pick) up the ball and threw it to the wicket keeper.

## Activity V

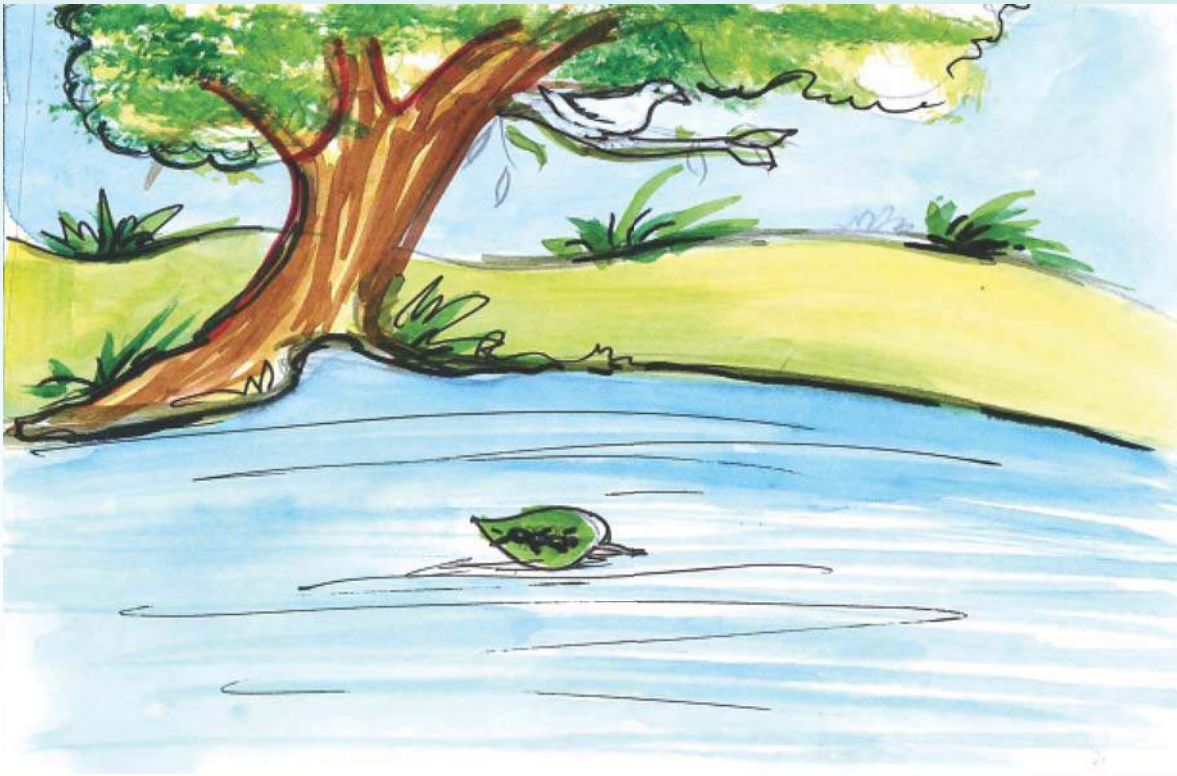
The pictures given below tell the story of an ant and a dove. Fill in the blanks to complete the story. Choose the words from the box given at the end of the story. Some words may be used more than once.





An ant and a dove lived in a .....near a river. One day,  
the ant fell into the ..... The dove dropped a .....  
...to save the ant.





The ant climbed on to the ..... It thanked the .....



One day, a hunter came there and took an. .... at the dove.



The ..... saw the hunter. She bit the hunter on the .....  
..... The hunter missed his ..... The .....  
was saved.

tree

river

leaf

dove

aim

ant

foot