

## PART - 1

### LESSON - 1

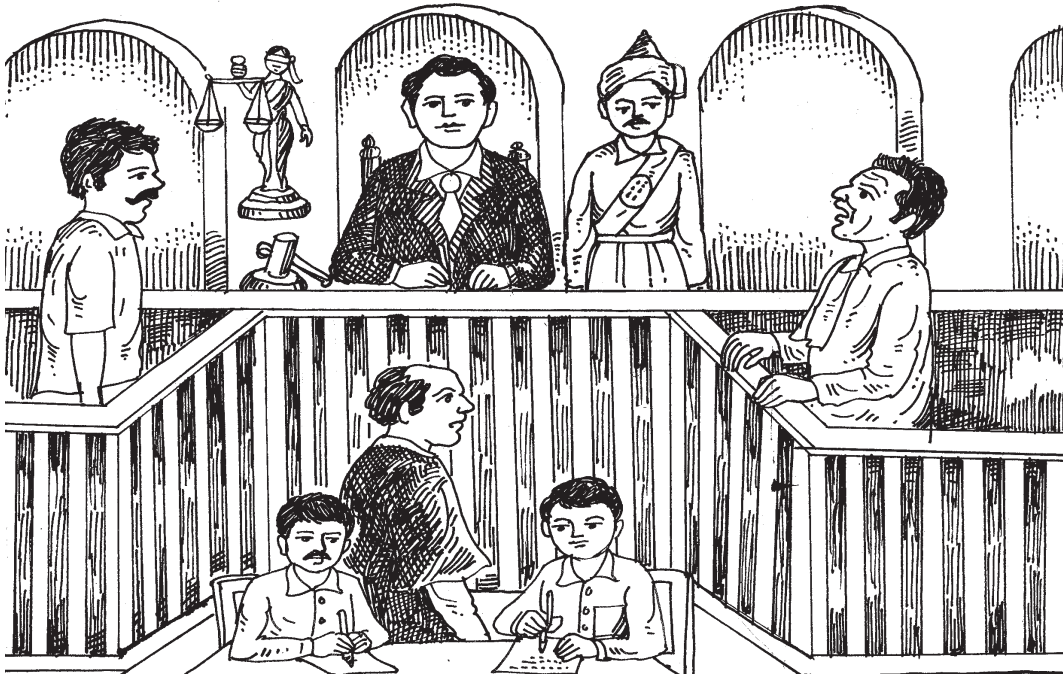
# ALI MADE IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE

Session - 1

I

### PRE-READING

- Socialisation :
- Look at the picture and the title of the story. What do you see in the picture ? Who are there in the picture ? Can you guess what the story will be about ?



II

### WHILE-READING

- **SGP-1**
- Read part -1 and answer the questions that follow..
  1. Once a thief was caught while stealing a purse from a man. The thief was handed over to the police. The police sent him to jail. The person who was arrested had to be tried out in a court.

On the day of the trial, the man whose purse was stolen hired a lawyer and three witnesses. The witnesses were present when the purse was stolen. The third witness had some problems. He could not come.

At the time of trial, the first witness was called to the witness box.

The judge asked, "When was the theft committed ? Was it day or night?"

The first witness replied, "It was day, My Lord".

The second question was, "How many persons were there at the time of the theft ?"

"Five, Your Honour," said the witness. The judge's third question was, "What was the colour of the stolen purse ?"

"Black, Your Honour", replied the witness.

- **Comprehension Questions:**

1. Who are there in this part of the story ?
2. What did the thief steal ?
3. Who arrested the thief ?
4. Where did the police send him ?
5. Who hired a lawyer and three witnesses ?
6. Why couldn't the third witness come to the court ?
7. What was the judge's first question ?
8. What did the witness reply ?
9. What was the judge's second question ?
10. What did the first witness reply ?
11. What was the judge's third question ?
12. What did the first witness reply ?

Can you guess who is going to be called next? Read the next part and see.



## Session - 2

- **SGP-2**

- Read silently part-2 and answer the questions that follow.

2. Next, the second witness was called to the witness box. The judge asked him, "When was the theft committed ? Was it day or night ?"  
The second witness replied, "It was night, Your Honour".  
The judge next asked, "How many persons were there at the time of theft ?"

The witness replied, "Twenty five, My Lord".

The judge finally asked the last question, "What was the colour of the purse?"

"White, Your Honour", replied the witness.

- **Comprehension Questions:**

1. Who was called next ?
2. How many questions did the judge ask the second witness ?
3. Did he ask the same questions ?
4. What about the answers ? Are they similar ?
5. The first witness said that the theft was committed during day time. What did the second witness say ?
6. The first witness said that the colour of the purse was black. What did the second witness say ?

The questions were same. But the answers of the second witness were very different from the answers of the first witness. Do you think the man whose purse was stolen will win the case ? Let's read the rest of the story and see.

- **SGP-3**

- Read the third part silently and answer the questions that follow.

3. The trial was postponed for the next day. But the lawyer was terribly upset. He scolded the witnesses for giving contradictory facts. But each of the witnesses told that they had told the truth. "The case is lost. There is no hope of saving the case. No need for sending a third witness," grumbled the angry lawyer.

Ali, the lawyer's cook, was listening to all this. He said, "Take me as the third witness. I can save the case". The lawyer laughed and said, "This is impossible and you are a mere cook. You should know this, Ali". Ali, in his faulty English, said, "Sir, I have been cooking you for the last ten years and you know I can also cook the judge and the Governor. I'm an excellent cook. I know how to make impossible possible. Give me a chance, Sir".

- **Comprehension Questions:**

1. Why was the lawyer not happy ?
2. Who did he scold ?
3. What did the witnesses reply ?

4. Do you believe that they told the truth ? How ?
  5. Who was listening to all that happened ?
  6. Who was Ali ?
  7. What did Ali say to the lawyer ?
  8. Did the lawyer believe him ? why ?
  9. How was Ali's English ?
  10. There were errors in Ali's English. Which was the first error ? And the second error ?
  11. Did the errors change the meaning ?
  12. Can you correct the errors ?
- Do you think the lawyer will agree to Ali's suggestions? Let's read the last part and see.

### Session - 3

#### • SGP-4

- Read the last part silently and answer the questions that follow.

5. The lawyer agreed, and the next day Ali was called to the witness box. The judge asked, "When was the theft committed? Was it day or night? Ali replied, "You may call it a day, Your Honour. You may also call it a night".

"How ?", the judge asked.

"When the theft was committed there was light, My Lord. But slowly it became dark. It was the meeting time of day and night, Your Honour".

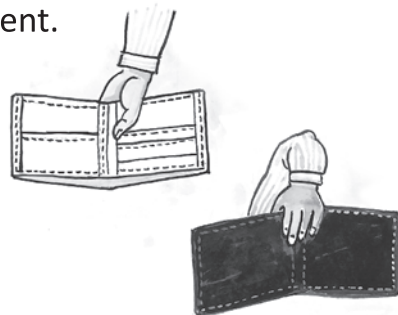
The judge seemed to nod his head in agreement and asked the next question,

6. "How many persons were there at the time of the theft ?" Ali said, "Sir, you can say five or twenty five, Your Honour". When the judge asked, 'How ?.' Ali said, "When the theft was committed, there were only five persons, but slowly the number increased to twenty five".

The judge seemed to nod his head in agreement.

7. The third question was, "What was the colour of the purse ?"

Ali said, "You can call it black and you can also call it white, My Lord". When the judge asked 'How?'. Ali showed a purse which was white inside and black outside.



The judge smiled an unusual smile and nodded his head in full agreement.

- **Comprehension Questions :**

1. Did the lawyer agree to take Ali as the third witness ?
2. Did the judge ask the same three questions ?
3. What was Ali's answer to the first question ?
4. Is it possible that the theft time was both day and night ?
5. Is it possible that the number of persons present in the court was both five and twenty five ? How ?
6. What did Ali do when the judge asked about the colour of the purse ?
7. Was the judge satisfied? How do you know ?
8. Was Ali clever enough to save the case ?
9. Did Ali make impossible possible ?
10. Is Ali intelligent ?
11. Do you like Ali? Why?
12. Can you think of giving another title to the lesson?

**Session - 4**

**III**

**POST-READING**

**1 Visual Memory Development Technique (VMDT) :**

Whole Text : Take the photograph of the whole lesson in your eye cameras. The lesson has 4 parts. In which part Ali solves the problem ? Which part is about the second witness? Which part is on the first witness? Which part is on Ali as a cook?

Last Part : Take the photograph of the last part. Listen to your teacher and put your finger on – full agreement, the first question, the third question, the second question.

**2****Comprehension Activity :**

- i. MCQs : Choose the correct alternatives and complete the sentences.
1. The most important character / person in the story is \_\_\_\_\_.
    - A. the judge
    - B. the lawyer
    - C. Ali
    - D. the witness
  2. The three witnesses except Ali \_\_\_\_\_.
    - A. were present at the time of theft
    - B. were not present at the time of theft
    - C. were present in the court
    - D. were not present in the court
  3. The first question was answered by \_\_\_\_\_.
    - A. the first witness as night
    - B. the second witness as day
    - C. Ali as both day and night
    - D. both the witnesses as night.
  4. The second question was answered by \_\_\_\_\_.
    - A. the second witness as five
    - B. the first witness as twenty five
    - C. Ali as five and twenty five.
    - D. the second witness as five and twenty five.
  5. The third question was answered by \_\_\_\_\_.
    - A. the first witness as 'black'
    - B. Ali as 'black'
    - C. the second witness as 'black and white'
    - D. both witnesses as 'white'
  6. The judge nodded his head at the end showing \_\_\_\_\_.
    - A. half agreement
    - B. no agreement
    - C. full agreement
    - D. indifference

- (ii) Match the paragraphs under 'A' with the contents/themes under 'B'. Write the numbers of 'A' in brackets of 'B'.

A Paragraphs	B Contents/ themes
1.	( ) Ali, the cook
2.	( ) the second witness
3.	( ) Ali solving the problem
4.	( ) the first witness

**Session - 5**

**3 Listening :**

- (a) Your teacher will read some of the words / phrases aloud. Tick those which your teacher reads aloud.

purse, court, witness, postponed, witness box, upset, grumble, in full agreement, unusual

- (b) Your teacher will read aloud a paragraph. You listen to him/her and fill in the blanks.

The \_\_\_\_\_ agreed and the \_\_\_\_\_ day Ali was \_\_\_\_\_ to the witness \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_ asked, "When was the \_\_\_\_\_ committed?" Was it \_\_\_\_\_ or night? \_\_\_\_\_ replied, "You \_\_\_\_\_ call it a day, Your Honour. You may \_\_\_\_\_ it a night".

**4 Speaking :**

- a. Chain-drill (i) I know how to make impossible possible.  
(ii) You may call it a day or a night, Sir.
- b. Dialogue – [Rehearsal: Teacher vs. students, students vs. students with change of roles]

Judge : When was the theft committed ? Was it day or night ?

Witness : It was day , Your Honour.

Judge : How many persons were there?

Witness : Five, Your Honour.

Judge : What was the colour of the purse?

Witness : Black, My Lord.

- c. If in a word, there is 'ie, ee, oo, ea', this part of the word is usually pronounced with a long sound taking more time. Pronounce the following words.

thief, need, agree, meeting, seem, increase

## Session - 6

### 5 Vocabulary :

(Spelling)

English spelling is very tricky. One way of learning spelling is to see a word, cover it, next write and finally verify. Do this with the following words.

Four steps: First, look at the word; second, cover the word with your left palm; third, write; finally, verify and correct if not correct.

steal

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

lawyer

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

colour

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

trial

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

postpone

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

grumble

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

agree

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

possible

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### 6 Usage :

Read what Ali said:

"Sir , I have been cooking you for the last ten years and you know, I can cook the judge and the Governor".

What errors did Ali make here in his English ? Can you correct his English? His mistake is dropping the preposition 'for' after 'cooking'. See, how the meaning becomes so different in the absence of a simple preposition 'for'. So you have to be very careful about using prepositions in your writing. Prepositions act as gum to join words in sentences.



**7 Writing :**

a. Answer the following questions.

(i) Who are there in the story ?

There are \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) What did the thief steal ?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(iii) Where did the police send the thief ?

The police sent \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(iv) How many questions did the judge ask ?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(v) Who is intelligent in the story ?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

b. Let's keep a record of the trial in the court of law in the format given below. You may consult your lesson for getting the facts you need to fill in. Some support is given.

Questions by the judge	Reply by Witness-1	Reply by Witness-2	Reply by Ali
1.			
2. How many persons were there at the time of theft ?			
3.			

**8 Mental Talk :**

“You may call it white; you may call it black, My Lord.”

**9 Let’s Think :**

“Are only educated and well-placed people intelligent ?”