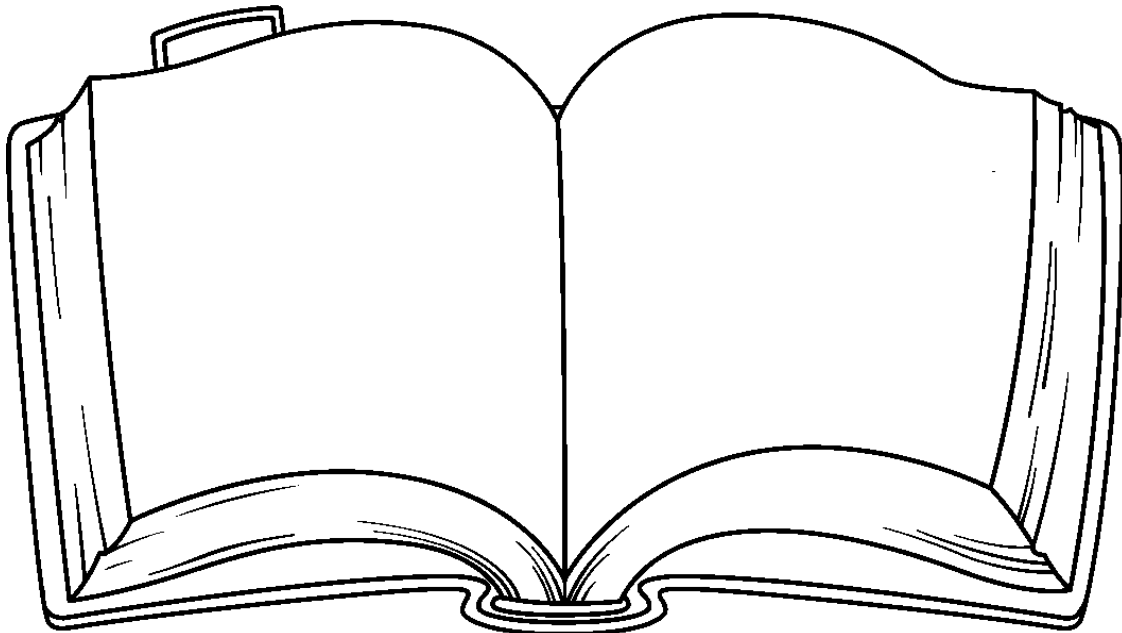


HOLIDAY HOMEWORK – CLASS IV
ENGLISH

I. Read any four of the following books mentioned in the list below.

1. Green Eggs and Ham – Dr Seuss
2. Naughtiest Girl in School Series (any 1) – Enid Blyton
3. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland – Lewis Carroll
4. The Famous Five (any 1) – Enid Blyton
5. The Velveteen Rabbit – Margery Williams
6. Swami and Friends – R.K Narayan
7. The Chronicles of Narnia – C.S Lewis
8. Little Women – Louisa May Alcott
9. The Cat in the Hat Series (any 1) – Dr Seuss

I. Write down the names of books that you have read in the book below.

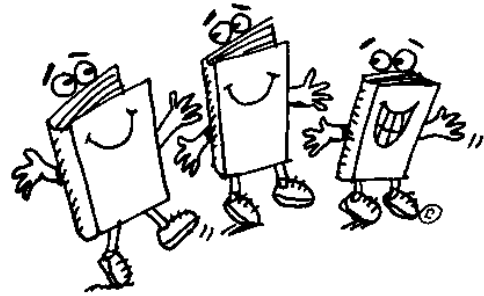


- II. Write a book review for any one book that you read from the list. The format is given below.

BOOK REVIEW

Name: _____

Title: _____



Author: _____

Who are the characters in the story? What are they like?

What happens in the story?

Which parts did you like and why?

Which parts didn't you like and why?

III. Read the passages and answer the following questions.

Passage 1: Jupiter

Jupiter, the fifth planet from the sun, is the largest planet in the solar system. It is the first of the “gas giants” and has no surface, though it may have a rocky core. It is more than twice as massive as all of the other planets in the solar system combined.

Jupiter’s atmosphere is separated into different bands and gives the planet the appearance of having whitish and reddish layers with various spots, swirls and bubbles. Jupiter’s most notable feature, other than its size, is the great red spot, a football shaped area of intense storms. Three Earths could fit inside the great red spot. The spot, which is a high pressure, stable storm with winds that gust over 400 miles per hour, is said to be somewhat similar to a hurricane. Recent studies have shown that the spot has actually shrunk and that the storm may be weakening.

Scientists still don’t have an explanation for why the spot looks red. In addition, Jupiter also has a faint set of rings (probably made of dust) that wrap around the planet horizontally. Jupiter is the largest planet in the solar system. It is nearly 318 times as massive as Earth, has the surface area of 122 Earths, and has 1,321 times the volume of Earth.

Answer the following questions

1. Jupiter is the_____ planet from the sun.

- a. first
- b. seventh
- c. fifth
- d. third

2. Jupiter is more massive.....

- a. than the sun
- b. than most of the planets
- c. than all of the planets combined.
- d. than the solar system

3. Jupiter has.....

- a. Rings
- b. An area of massive storm
- c. Whitish and reddish layers
- d. All of the above

4. How many times is Jupiter as massive as Earth?

- a. 316
- b. 381
- c. 318
- d. 388

5. Say whether the following statement is true or false.

Jupiter is the smallest planet in the solar system.

- a. true
- b. false

Passage 2: Emma's Birthday Party

Emma was having her birthday party at the park. She was turning four. Her parents and her sister went to the park early to set up. One good thing about the park was that they had a lot of tables. They also had a covered pavilion, in case it rained. Emma planned on getting wet anyway, because they had slides, and they had a water sprinkler area for people to run through.

They covered tables with pink and red tablecloths. They put out napkins, cups, forks, and plates. Then they put out the food, but left it covered until later. Dad made sure there was enough ice with the drinks. It was going to be hot, so people needed cold drinks! Finally, they hung some decorations.

Mom set out some activities, like coloring and small games, before people arrived. There were mini water guns, too! There was even a giant cardboard castle for people to color with crayons and markers. It was going to be great.

Everyone started to show up. Gifts in pretty bags and boxes started to pile up on the table. Kids started to play with a football, with the games, and with the water guns. Everyone started to eat, too. There were sandwiches, chicken fingers, veggies with dip, chips, soda, and lots of things!

After everyone ate, it was time for a piñata. The kids took turns hitting the piñata with a stick until it broke. Emma took the first turn, then the other boys and girls tried. When candy and toys fell out, everyone grabbed as many as they could!

Finally, it was time to sing „Happy Birthday“ and eat cupcakes. Emma made a wish, blew out her candle, and took a big bite of her cupcake. Everyone cheered and ate their own cupcakes while she opened presents. She got lots of nice toys and clothes, and she was very happy. When the party was over, Emma was a little sad, because it was over, but very happy. She started to wonder what NEXT year would be like...

Answer the following questions

1. How old is Emma turning?

- a. five
- b. four
- c. three
- d. six

2. Which of these is not an activity at the party?

- a. hit the piñata
- b. play in the sprinklers
- c. play board games
- d. play with water guns

3. How does Emma feel after the party?

- a. She's completely happy.
- b. She's crying and sad.
- c. She's a little sad, but also happy.
- d. She's scared of next year.

4. Name two activities that Emma's mother set up for the children.

5. What happened when the kids hit the piñata?

V. GRAMMAR GAMES

A. Read this story.

A selfish fox once invited a stork to dinner at his home and for a joke put nothing before her but some soup in a very shallow dish. The fox could easily lap this up, but the Stork could only wet the end of her long bill in it, and stayed hungry.

"I am sorry that the soup is not to your liking," said the fox with a sly smile.

"Oh, please do not apologise," said the Stork. "I hope you will return this visit, and come and dine with me too sometime." So a day was appointed when the Fox should visit the Stork.

Finally, when they were seated at the table, the Stork served them both some soup in a very long-necked jar with a narrow mouth. The stork drank the soup easily but the fox could not insert his snout into the tall jar. This time it was the Fox's turn to go hungry.

MORAL: One bad turn deserves another.

Fill in the chart with the parts of speech from the story.

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Preposition

B. Read the idioms below, find their meanings and write them into the correct blanks to complete the sentences.

- chow down
- cross your fingers
- cry wolf
- dog days of summer
- down to the wire
- dropping like flies

1. We were so hungry we couldn't wait to sit and_____.
2. Swimming in August during_____ is the best part of vacation!
3. It was getting_____ as we struggled to finish our project.

4. Sore throat was going around our school and the students were_____.
5. It's best not to_____. Nobody will believe you.
6. Our school is very close to winning the new playground, so_____.

IV. Maintain a diary and write what you did throughout your holidays. Make sure you write in your diary every day.

V. Find a cardboard box or a shoe box, cover the box with paper or paint it with fun colours or paste pictures and write a few lines everyday of any memorable incident that happened and put it into the magic box. Bring it on the reopening day.

VI. Read the next lesson "Sorry, Wrong Number", find the meanings for the difficult words and frame five questions on the lesson.

VII. Watch the following movies.

1. Rio 2
2. A Hundred and One Dalmatians
3. Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
4. The Gods Must be Crazy
5. Bambi
6. Dunston Checks In