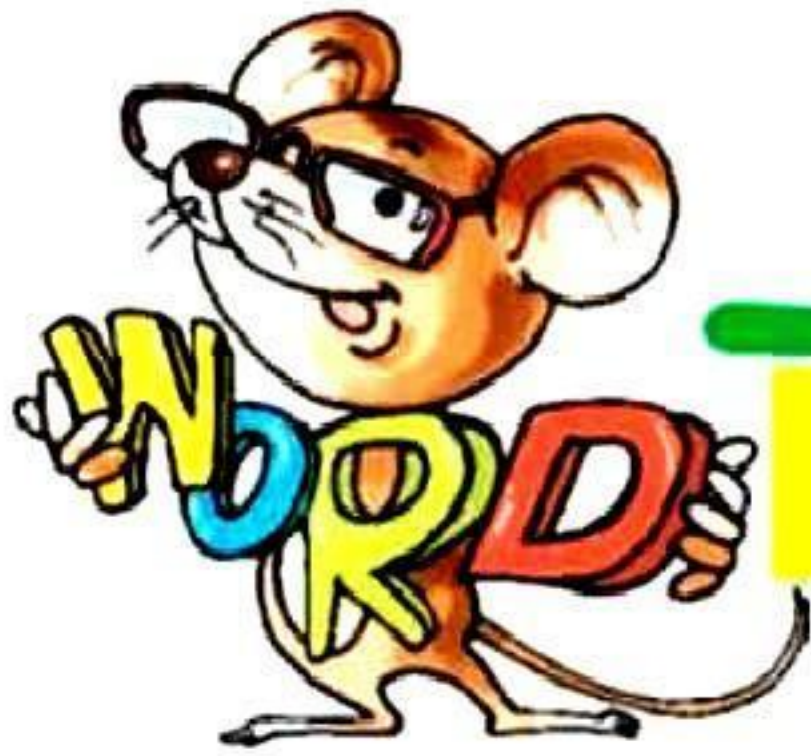


## Chapter 5 : Rip Van Winkle



### Fun with New Words

1. Circle the correct meaning of the given words. You may need to use the dictionary.

<b>idled away</b>	wasted	rested	admired
<b>constant</b>	coffee	construct	steady
<b>companion</b>	dog	stranger	partner
<b>realise</b>	to understand	to set free	real
<b>descend</b>	to not send	to be decent	to move down
<b>barrel</b>	a wooden container	a musical instrument	a bag
<b>contents</b>	to be happy	the ingredients	the index of a book

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2. Match the words in the box with their meanings.

You may take the help of a dictionary.

grizzled      astonished      foothills  
stroked      familiar

near the lower part of a mountain \_\_\_\_\_

with grey hair \_\_\_\_\_

to rub gently \_\_\_\_\_

to be very surprised \_\_\_\_\_

known to you \_\_\_\_\_

### Answer 2:

near the lower part of a mountain Foothills

with grey hair Grizzled

to rub gently Stroked

to be very surprised Astonished

known to you Familiar

### Let's Read:

#### Question 1:

Say whether the following sentences are True or False.

- (i) Rip was kind to children. \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) Rip was a hardworking man. \_\_\_\_\_
- (iii) The short old man on the mountain was his constant companion. \_\_\_\_\_
- (iv) Rip helped the old man on the mountains because he wanted to have a drink from the barrel. \_\_\_\_\_
- (v) Rip was away for twenty years because he was asleep on the mountains. \_\_\_\_\_
- (vi) The drink from the barrel made him fall asleep for twenty years. \_\_\_\_\_
- (vii) Nobody recognised Rip when he came back because he had reached the wrong village. \_\_\_\_\_



### Answer 1:

- (i) Rip was kind to children. (True)
- (ii) Rip was a hardworking man. (False)
- (iii) The short old man on the mountain was his constant companion. (False)
- (iv) Rip helped the old man on the mountains because he wanted to have a drink from the barrel. (False)
- (v) Rip was away for twenty years because he was asleep on the mountains. (True)
- (vi) The drink from the barrel made him fall asleep for twenty years. (True)
- (vii) Nobody recognised Rip when he came back because he had reached the wrong village. (False)

### Question 2:

Complete the following sentences.

- (i) Rip's village was situated \_\_\_\_\_.
- (ii) The children of the village loved him because \_\_\_\_\_.
- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ was his constant companion.
- (iv) The villagers stared at him because \_\_\_\_\_.
- (v) The old woman who recognised Rip was \_\_\_\_\_.

### Answer 2:

- (i) Rip's village was situated **at the foothills of Kaatskill mountains.**
- (ii) The children of the village loved him because **he played with them, told them stories and taught them how to shoot marbles and fly kites.**
- (iii) **Wolf, The dog.** was his constant companion.
- (iv) The villagers stared at him because **they did not seem to know him.**
- (v) The old woman who recognised Rip was **his neighbour.**



## Let's Write:

### Question 1:

What were the strange things about the men on the mountains?

#### Answer 1:

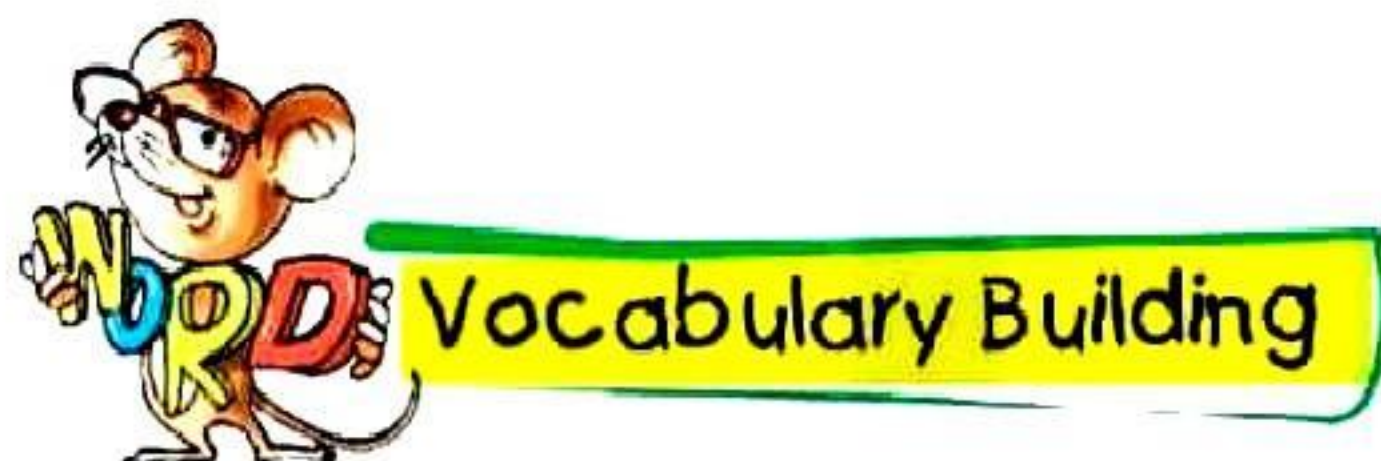
- (i) They all were dressed the same way.
- (ii) All had beards of various shapes and colors.
- (iii) Their faces were serious.
- (iv) They did not speak.

### Question 2:

What kind of a man was Rip Van Winkle?

#### Answer 2:

- (i) He was a kind neighbour.
- (ii) He was a good - natured man.
- (iii) He loved children.
- (iv) He was a very lazy man.



1. Pick out the names of the games mentioned in the story.

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#### Answer 1:

Flying Kites, ninepins, shooting marbles, mountain climbing.



## Question 2:

Sometime we join two words to make a describing word.

For example, Rip was a good-natured man, everybody liked him.

Here are some more describing words. Use them to complete the given paragraph.

Long-sleeved      High-heeled      Well-dressed      Open-mouthed

Sweet-looking      Odd-looking      Part-time

Mrs Das has a \_\_\_\_\_ job in a clothes shop.

Yesterday, an \_\_\_\_\_ woman walked into the shop.

She was wearing \_\_\_\_\_ shoes. A \_\_\_\_\_ dog was with her.

"I want a \_\_\_\_\_ shirt for my dog, please," she said. "For your dog?" asked Mrs Das, \_\_\_\_\_ in surprise. "Yes." replied the woman. "I want him to be \_\_\_\_\_ for my next party."

## Answer 2:

Mrs Das has a **part - time** job in a clothes shop.

Yesterday, an **odd - looking** woman walked into the shop. She was wearing **high heeled** shoes. A **sweet looking** dog was with her. "I want a **long sleeved** shirt for my dog, please," she said. "For your dog?" asked Mrs Das, **open - mouthed** in surprise. "Yes." replied the woman. "I want him to be **well - dressed** for my next party."

## 3. Silent letters

What is common in the following groups of words?

(i) **k**nee, **k**nife, **k**not, **k**now

\_\_\_\_\_

(ii) neighbour, daughter, fight, straight

\_\_\_\_\_

(iii) honest, honour, hour, heir

\_\_\_\_\_



Try and make more silent letter words.

gnat : \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

tongue : \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

chalk : \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

whistle : \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

### Answer 3:

What is common in the following groups of words?

(i) knee, knife, knot, know 'k' is silent

(ii) neighbour, daughter, fight, straight 'gh' is silent

(iii) honest, honour, hour, heir 'h' is silent

Try and make more silent letter words.

gnat : Gnash, Gnaw

tongue : Vague, Morgue

chalk : Talk, Walk

whistle : Bustle, Hustle

4. Read the two paragraphs given below.

My mother is always **awake** before anyone else in the family. I usually **wake up** after 6 o' clock. I loll around **lazily** for a few minutes. Then I **get up** and get dressed for school.

At bedtime, I read a story book. When I feel tired I **lie down** and go to sleep very **quickly**. I fall asleep in no time at all!





- (i) Now find the opposites of the following words from the paragraphs and complete the table.

awake	asleep
wake up	_____
get up	_____
lazily	_____

#### Answer 4 (i):

- (i) Now find the opposites of the following words from the paragraphs and complete the table.

awake	asleep
wake up	<u>Go to sleep</u>
get up	<u>Lie down</u>
lazily	<u>Actively</u>

- (ii) Fill in the blanks using the words in the previous questions.

(a) \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ quickly!

You will be late for school.

(b) Shh! The baby is \_\_\_\_\_. Don't make a sound, or she will \_\_\_\_\_.

(c) Are you still \_\_\_\_\_? You should be \_\_\_\_\_ now or you will not be able to \_\_\_\_\_ in the morning for school.



### Answer 4 (ii):

- (a) Wake Up and get up quickly!  
You will be late for school.
- (b) Shh! The baby is asleep. Don't make a sound, or she will wake up.
- (c) Are you still awake? You should be asleep now or you will not be able to get up in the morning for school.

### Let's Talk:

#### Question 1:

Lots of things must have happened in the village when Rip was away. Imagine you are the neighbour who greets Rip after 20 years. One student should act as Rip. Tell Rip about all that had happened in the village after he left.

(Talk about what happened to his family, to his friends, to the other villagers, to the children he played with, the changes in the village... etc. Your teacher will guide you.)

You may start this way: Guess what happened on the day you left. When you didn't come home in the evening, your wife...

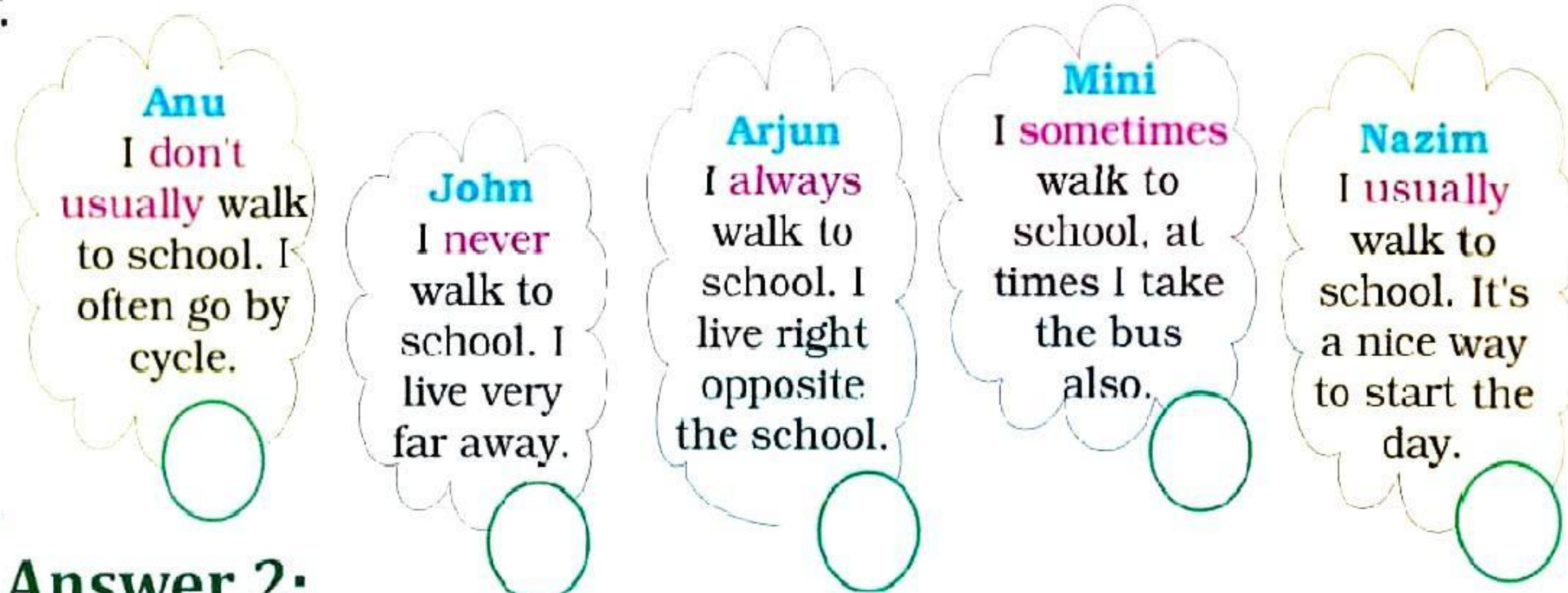
#### Answer 1:

When you did not come home in the evening, your wife looked for you everywhere. But nobody could tell where you had gone. Your son found a job in the city and he left with your wife and daughter. They sold the house to John. The children you played with, have grown up. They all are married and have their families. Some of them have left the village and joined the army. Now many farmers in our village have tractors. They do not plough their fields with oxes. Many families have motor cars and telephone. You can talk to people in distant places. It is indeed a magic box telephone instrument. Come, I will show you one that I have at home.



## Question 2:

Read the speech bubbles. Who walks to school most often? Put them in order.



### Answer 2:

1. Arjun: I always walk to school. I live right opposite The school.
2. Nazim. I usually walk to school. It's a nice way to start the day.
3. Mini: I sometimes, walk to school, at times I take the bus also.
4. Anu: I don't usually walk to school. I often go by cycle.
5. John: I never walk to school. I live very far away.

## Creative Writing:

### Question 1:

Write about yourself using the following expressions ( day you play in the park, go to bed late, fuss over food, study hard, etc.?)

Always	Frequently	Usually
Often	Sometimes	Rarely

For example: I always do my work neatly.

### Answer 1:

1. I **always** wash my hand before I eat.
2. I **usually** go to school with my sister.
3. My grandfather **often** tells me stories at bedtime.
4. **Sometimes** my father takes us for an outing.
5. I **rarely** miss my school.



## Question 2:

Use the following clues to complete the following exercise.

play stop buy learn see meet learn be  
eat go travel start read visit

- (i) Write three **new things you have done** in the last three years.
- (a) I have started \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) Write three **things you have not done** in the last three years.
- (a) I have not played \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_

### Answer 2 (i):

- (a) I have started skating
- (b) I have made five new friends.
- (c) I have written a few poems.

### Answer 2 (ii):

- (a) I have not played chess.
- (b) I have not told a lie.
- (c) I have not watched a movie.



## Poem 5 : The Lazy Frog

**Let's Read:**

### Question 1:

What did the frog do all day?

#### Answer 1:

He slept conveniently all day on a log.

### Question 2:

Besides lazy, what other word can you think of to describe the frog?  
(Hint: how he behaved with his mother...,when a lady frog walked by...)

#### Answer 2:

He was a shirker and discourteous (impolite).

### Question 3:

Complete the sentences with reference to the poem.

- (i) When the frog's mother called him, he pretended to \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) When a lady frog hops by, he does not even \_\_\_\_\_

#### Answer 3:

- (i) Be hard - of- hearing.
- (ii) Open one eye.

### Question 4:

Did you like the frog's behaviour?

#### Answer 3:

No, I do not like the frog's behaviour.





## Let's Write

Refer to the poem and understand.

The frog loved to laze and lie around all day.

He did not like to do any work at all.

Now make true sentences about yourself!

Write about the people you like, a game you play, a hobby, a habit you have. You may use the following clues.



I love.....



I like....



I don't mind.....

I don't like....

I hate.....



Try and find out the same from your family members also.

### Answer:

I love to help my mother.

I like to play cricket on Sunday.

I don't mind washing my clothes.

I don't like bursting crackers on Diwali.

I hate telling lies.





Add one more matching word to each pair. One has been done for you.

log	frog	dog
shirk	work	_____
vain	deign	_____
preferring	hearing	_____
heap	keep	_____
past	last	_____
way	say	_____
What kind of words are they?		_____

**Answer:**

log	frog	dog
shirk	work	Jerk
vain	deign	Gain
preferring	hearing	Tearing
heap	keep	Sheep
past	last	Blast
way	say	Day
What kind of words are they?		They are rhyming words.