

Chapter - 28

RAJU WENT TO THE POND

One day Raju went to a small pond near his village. It was the rainy season. The pond was full of water. The frogs were croaking. Raju started throwing small stones at the frogs for fun. The frogs started jumping here & there. Raju was enjoying running after the frogs & hitting them. The night when he slept, he dreamt that a cow was running after him trying to hit him with its horns. Raju was ahead and the cow behind him. He started shivering and screamed with fear of getting hurt and woke up from sleep. His mother who was sleeping next to him, woke up too and asked him 'What is the matter? Why are you looking so frightened, Raju? Crying Raju told his mother the whole story.



An old ledi (grand mother, Dadi maa), was standing by the road to cross it. After some time a school child passed by her. The dadi maa called out to him but he did not listen to her. At that very moment a small girl was passing by. As she came near the lady, she stopped. Supporting the dadi maa, she helped her cross the road, then she quietly walked away towards her school.



You have seen how the dadi maa needed help. In our country our elders do needs such kind of help. If there are any differently abled person then also need sympathy and need so that they may become self independent.

If ever you have help someone in this way then discuss it with your friends in your class.



**What have we learnt?****To be taken up orally**

1. Why were the frogs jumping and running around?
2. Was Raju behaving properly with the frogs?
3. What you learnt from Raju's behaviour?
4. What would have Raju's mother said to Raju?
5. What lesson did Raju learn from his dream?

**Written task**

1. What do you think the old lady (dadi maa) called the boy?
2. Whose behaviour did you like the most the boy's or the girl's?
3. Tell about one incident in which you helped somebody?
4. Do you like to help especially abled person (hand, leg, eyes)?

Have you ever helped such persons?

How did you help such persons?

**Let's look around**

1. How can you help the members of your family?
2. What are your responsibilities towards your house?

