

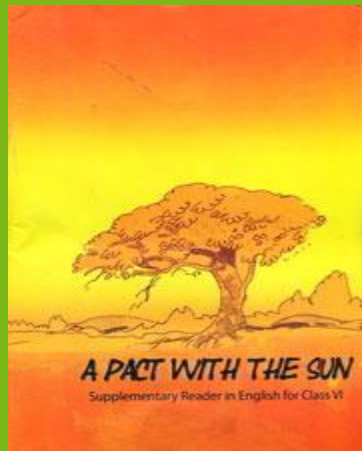


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ENGLISH

A PACT WITH THE SUN (SR)

GRADE 6

CHAPTER 1. A TALE OF TWO BIRDS



Things To Learn - Prose

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EXPLANATION OF THE CHAPTER

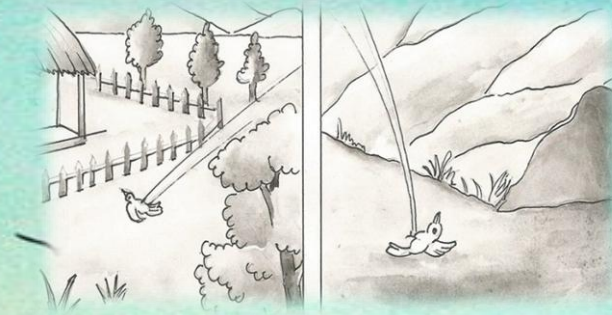
There once lived a bird and her two new born babies in a forest. They had a nest in a tall, shady tree and there the mother bird took care of her little ones day and night .



One day there came a big storm. A big heavy branch hit the nest and killed the bird. The two baby birds fell on the other side of the forest.



One of them came down near a cave where a gang of robbers lived. The other landed outside a rishi's ashram a little distance away.



One day the king of the country came to the forest to hunt. He lost his way and didn't know where he was.



The king sat down under a tree that stood near a cave. Suddenly he heard a voice ,”Quick ! Hurry up ! There is some one under the tree. Come and take his jewels and his horse. Hurry or else he will slip away” .



The king saw a big, brown bird on the tree. He also heard some noises coming from the cave. He quickly got on to his horse and rode away.



The king reached near a rishi's ashram. He sat down under a tree. Suddenly he heard a gentle voice announce, "Welcome to the ashram, sir, please go inside and rest. The rishi will be back soon. There is some cold water in the pot please make yourself comfortable". It was the second bird.



After some time, the rishi came. The king told him the whole story. The holy man smiled and said, "After all, one is known by the company one keeps. The first bird has always heard the talk of robbers. He talks like them. The other one has repeated what he has always heard."

➤ NEW VOCABULARY


1. Shady
2. Blew down
3. Get off
4. Imitates
5. Holy



➤ WORD MEANINGS

1. Shady – dense
2. Storm – a strong wind
3. Blew down – uprooted
4. Blew them away – took them away
5. Gang – group of evil people
6. Landed – touched the ground
7. Get off – dismounted
8. Holy – pious
9. Imitates – copies
10. Behave – conduct

➤ MAKE SENTENCES

1. Imitate – He can imitate the cries of animals.
2. Blew down – The gale blew down hundreds
of trees.
3. Holy – Is this a holy place?
4. Behave – Children must learn to behave at
table.
5. Get off – We get off at the next station.

➤ Answer the following questions.

1. How did the two baby birds get separated?

Ans: One day, there was a big storm, and the wind blew down many trees including the tall tree in which the birds lived. A big, heavy branch hit the nest and killed the bird. But the strong wind blew the baby birds away to the other side of the forest. Both landed at different places. This is how the two birds were separated.



2. Where did each of them find a home?

Ans: One baby bird found a home near a cave where a gang of robbers lived, the other landed outside a rishi's ashram a little distance away.

3. What did the first bird say to the stranger?

Ans: The first bird cried out to the stranger to hurry up and come quick as there was someone under the tree. It said come and take away his jewels and his horse in a hurry, or else he would slip away.

4. What did the second bird say to him?

Ans: The second bird welcomed the stranger in a gentle voice to the ashram, and requested him to go inside and rest. He then said that the rishi would be back soon, and asked him to drink some cold water and make himself comfortable.

5. How did the rishi explain the different ways in which the birds behaved?

Ans: The rishi smiled and explained the different ways in which the birds behaved by saying after all one is known by the company one keeps. The first bird has always heard the talk of robbers, imitates them and talks about robbing people. The other bird repeats what he always hears and so welcomes people to the ashram.

6. Which one of the following sums up the story best?

- (i) A bird in hand is worth two in the bush.
- (ii) One is known by the company one keeps.**
- (iii) A friend in need is a friend indeed.

QUICK LOOK

- ❖ Once in a forest there lived a mother bird and its 2 babies.
- ❖ One day a strong wind blew and the mother bird died.
- ❖ Then the two birds flew to each corner of the forest.
- ❖ One bird settled in a rishi's house and other in a gang of thieves.
- ❖ Then one day a king came by the way of the thieves and the bird said the thieves to take the jewels of the king.
- ❖ Then he ran to the rishi's house and the other bird welcomed the king.
- ❖ The king got confused and asked the rishi.
- ❖ He said that a person's habit depends on the people who live around him.
- ❖ As the first bird lived with the thieves , he helped the thieves.
- ❖ As this bird lived with me ,it welcomed the people.

MORAL :Always have friendship only with good people.





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Thank you!