

## UNIT - FIVE

1. **Title** : **THE SWAN AND THE PRINCES**

2. **Value** : **Quality of Mercy.**

Sympathy, kindness, mercy are some of the noble qualities of human beings.

3. **Lesson.**

This is a short play where we realize the truth that a bird or an animal belongs not to the one who catches it, but to the one who looks after it.

Devadutta and Sidhartha approached King Suddodhana with a conflict. Devadutta had shot a swan but Sidhartha had saved its life. Both claimed their right over the swan. The king asked the Chief Minister to solve the problem. The Chief Minister let the bird to select its master. The bird flew towards Sidhartha and sat on his arm. The dispute got settled easily.

4. **Vocabulary/ Usage.**

Long Live the King : This is a phrase used to greet a king ( = *Maharajarige jayavagali*)

SWAN :pronounced as 'swon' rhyming with 'gone'

Lad: pronounced as 'lad' rhyming with 'mad'

**(i) Using Prefixes.**

Anti	:	social, clockwise.
Auto	:	biography, graph.
Bio	:	gas.
Hemi	:	sphere.
Inter	:	college, national.
Micro	:	scope, oven.
Multi	:	national, media
Non	:	violence, co-operation.
Pre	:	fix, paid.
Post	:	dated, graduate

## ACTIVITIES ON L,S,R,W

**Listening Activity** - /U/ and / U:/ ( similar to the Kannada /u/ in *uppu* and /U:/ in *oota*

/U/ -

This is a short vowel. E.g.: Foot , Wood, Good, Put,.

/U: /-

This is the long vowel. E.g.Food , Shoot, root, route.

Look at the following words. Listen to them carefully and distinguish between the words with the short vowel/u/ from those with the long vowel /u:/

pull, book, roof, threw, flew, food, good, foot, look, shoot, lose, pool, grew, bull, clue, wool, cool, blue.

### **Listening Activity: 2:**

Short vowel / **ʊ**/ and the long vowel / **u:** /

Let the teacher read out the following words. The students are to listen to them carefully and group the words into two as having the short vowel and the long vowel.

shot, pot, what, short, board, court, floor, roar, shore, course, cloth, moth, bob, more, score, not, drop, rock, long, draw.

(Here we can notice that most of the words with long vowels in the above list are wrongly pronounced by us.)

### **Speaking Activity:**

Look at the following dialogue between a student and a shopkeeper:

Boy	:	I want a pen
Shopkeeper	:	Take this.
Boy	:	I don't want a red pen. I want a blue pen.
Shopkeeper	:	Oh, I see. Take this.
Boy	:	Don't you have a better one?
Shopkeeper	:	What do you mean?
Boy	:	I don't want this cheap pen. Give me a costlier one.

**Now look at this dialogue:**

- Boy : Good Morning, uncle.
- Shopkeeper : Oh, Good Morning. What do you want?
- Boy : Could you please show me a pen?
- Shopkeeper : Of course. Take this.
- Boy : Uncle, I don't like this colour. May I have a blue one?
- Shopkeeper : Certainly. Please have this.
- Boy : Oh, this is very cheap. I am sorry to trouble you, I shall be grateful if you show me a better pen.
- Shopkeeper : Wait for a second. Please look at this.

What difference can you notice between the two dialogues? In the second one there are many polite expressions.

Try to prepare dialogues for the following situations.

1. A railway ticket counter    2. A bakery    3. Asking the HM for leave.

Try to include some of the following phrases:

Would you please....?

Could I ask you to .....?

Would you mind .....?

If you could .....?

Would you be kind enough .....?

I hope you don't mind my asking you .....?

### **Reading Activity:**

#### **The Story of Cricket:**

Cricket is an international game. It is very interesting one, where two teams play together. It has its origin in England. The British used to play this game to pass the time. Now it is being played in almost all the countries. Sachin Tendulkar has achieved international fame in this game. He is called the God of Cricket. He has a record of 100 centuries in his international career.

1. How many teams are required to play Cricket?
2. Where did the game of Cricket originate?
3. Who is called the God of Cricket?

### **Writing Activity:**

#### **Formal Letters:**

1. Imagine you are Pooja/Pratheek of VIII Standard, Government High School, Mangalore. Write a letter to your Headmaster asking him to grant you three days leave to attend your sisters marriage.

Pooja  
VIII Standard,  
Government High School,  
Mangalore  
26 Sept. 2012

The Headmaster,  
Government High School,  
Mangalore.

Respected Sir,

My sister's marriage is going to take place on 29 Sept. 2012 in Mysore. We are leaving Mangalore on 27 itself. So, I request you to grant me three days' leave.

Thank you.

Yours obediently,

**( Pooja )**

2. Write a Letter to your Class Teacher giving reason for your absence.

Akash,  
VIII Standard,  
Government High School.  
Kabaka, Puttur,  
27 Sept. 2012

The Class Teacher,  
VIII Standard  
Government High School,  
Kabaka, Puttur.

Respected Sir,

As I was suffering from fever and headache, I could not attend the classes on 25 and 26 Sept. 2012. So I request you to excuse me for my absence.

Thanks.

Yours obediently,  
(Akash )

Note: a) Preposition “From” and “To” are not used while writing the addresses  
b) No Apostrophe for ‘Yours’

**Ching Chang Chu**  
**WORD POWER**

5. **Language Games :-**

**Time : 30 Minute**

The Whole class would be divided into three groups. Each group would be given three captions, i.e. R, T, S Later each group has to give words starting with R.T.S one by one.

e.g. R- River.

T- Tree.

S- Sat.

The Teacher can include or think of some activities.

## **PREPOSITIONS:**

- **Of time:** at, on, before, after, in, by, from, to, for, since, during, till,
- **Of movement:** from, to, at, in, on, into, by, off, out of, along, above, over, under, below,
- **Of position:** in, at, on, above, over, between, beside, behind, beneath, in front of, with, but (= except )

I am sitting on a Chair.

I am sitting in a chair.

Note : A chair with arms takes the preposition 'in' and a chair without arms takes the preposition 'on'

## **6. TLM**

1. Sketch Work
2. Paper Cutting
3. Pictures
4. Story books
5. Flashcards
6. Charts
7. Dictionary
8. Classroom situation.
9. Authentic Materials.

## **7. Suggested Reading/Websites:**

1. [www.goole.com](http://www.goole.com)
2. [www.wikipedia.com](http://www.wikipedia.com)
1. The Story of Shibi.
2. Epics of India.