

Chapter- 1

Raghu's Adventures

STUDY NOTES

AT A GLANCE

- 1) The story is all about the adventures of Raghu in different conditions.
- 2) Raghu is a small boy of 10 years old.
- 3) He was from a poor family.
- 4) His parents had to work hard to earn their livelihood.
- 5) One day he encountered a series of adventures.
- 6) One day Raghu's mother asked him what you want from the market.
- 7) Raghu replied, I want a drum.
- 8) His mother was astonished, because as a small boy, she expected him to ask for some eatables.
- 9) Instead of a drum, his mother gave him a lovely piece of wood.
- 10) Raghu took the stick and went off to play.
- 11) He went to his friend Paplu's house.
- 12) Raghu helped Paplu's grandmother with the piece of wood that he had.
- 13) Grandmother in return gave some delicious rotis to Raghu.
- 14) Raghu moved ahead in search of Paplu along with those rotis.
- 15) Ahead on his way he met a woman holding a wailing child.
- 16) The baby was hungry.
- 17) Raghu gave the rotis to the wailing child and the mother gave a pot in return.
- 18) He moved ahead with the pot in his hand.
- 19) After covering some distance, Raghu saw a man and a woman arguing with each other on a heap of clothes and a broken pot.
- 20) He gave them the pot because the man was a washerman by profession and needed a pot very urgently to do his work.
- 21) The washerman in return gave a coat to Raghu.
- 22) Raghu again moved ahead in search of Paplu.
- 23) He went on asking everyone about Paplu, whom he met on the way.
- 24) On his way, he met an old man sitting on the bridge and shivering.
- 25) A gang of robbers had looted the old man and had thrown him into the river.
- 26) Raghu helped him with the coat he had and the old man gave his horse in return.
- 27) Raghu took the horse and went to the other side of the village in search of Paplu.

- 28) In the village, he saw a group of people, dressed in silk and jewellery sitting in front of a house and looking gloomy.
- 29) They required a horse because they had a groom ready for marriage and they had no horse to take the groom.
- 30) Raghu helped the pleading man with the horse and he gifted him a drum.
- 31) Finally the wish of Raghu for a drum was fulfilled.
- 32) He was very elated and astounded.
- 33) He also gets Paplu sleeping on a grass field.
- 34) Raghu sent Paplu to his grandmother and went home blushing with a wide grin on his face.
- 35) Raghu reached home and told everything about the day's adventure to his mother.

Get Going

A. Let us find the answers from the play.

- 1) Where was Raghu's mother going?

Ans) Raghu's mother was getting ready to go to the market to sell flour.

- 2) Why was the old woman searching for Paplu?

Ans) The old woman was searching for Paplu because she needed some firewood. She could not arrange herself because she was very old.

- 3) How did Raghu help the poor woman and her wailing child?

Ans) Raghu helped the poor woman and her wailing child by giving them the warm and fresh roti, which he had with him.

- 4) Why were the man and woman at the riverside fighting?

Ans) The man had given a pot to the woman to carry with her as he had a lot of loads with him. The woman had broken the pot. The man needed the pot to boil the clothes before washing them. This made the both fight with each other at the riverside.

- 5) What had happened to the old man on the bridge?

Ans) The old man on the bridge was looted by a gang of robbers. They had robbed him of everything that he had with him and had thrown him into the river to drown.

- 6) What happened on the other side of the bridge?

Ans) On the other side of the bridge there was a group of people sitting gloomily. They needed a horse for their bridegroom, who was ready for his marriage. Raghu had a horse with him which he gave to the people and in return received a drum from them.

B) Let us read between the lines.

1) How did Raghu's mother feel when he asked for a drum?

Ans) Raghu's mother was surprised and disturbed as well. She thought as a small boy he would ask for something to eat but it wasn't that. She got disturbed as she was not having enough money to purchase a drum.

2) Why do you think Raghu said that his mother would not allow him to keep the horse?

Ans) Raghu was a small boy and they were very poor. It is not possible in this condition to take care of a horse. I think this is the reason why Raghu said so.

3) Why do you think the woman's larder was empty for two days?

Ans) The woman's larder was empty for two days may be because there had been no business, as a result of which she was not able to buy anything.

4) Why can't the groom travel on foot?

Ans) A groom is a boy who is about to get married and a groom never travels on foot for his marriage, as it is a matter of prestige, status and against rituals.

C) Let us go beyond the play.

1) What kind of a boy do you think Raghu was?

Ans) Raghu was a simple, obedient and helpful boy.

2) Though Raghu did not want the piece of wood, he happily accepted it. What lesson does this teach us?

Ans) It teaches us that Raghu was an obedient boy and had an adjustable quality and also knows to be happy with what he has.

VOCABULARY JUNCTION

1) Make as many words as you can by adding the given prefixes and suffixes to the words in the box.

- a) Underestimate
- b) Undercover
- c) Overcoat
- d) Nonstop
- e) Fairness
- f) Friendship
- g) Fearless

2) Add suitable prefixes or suffixes to the words given in the box and fill in the blanks.

- a) Some people believe it is useless to fight against corruption.
- b) After overcoming so many hardship, King Arthur regained his kingdom.
- c) He won a sports scholarship during his college days.
- d) The dog looked unfed and malnourished.
- e) It seemed like he had spent a sleepless night worrying about the results.

PHONICS JUNCTION

Colour the words red if ie is pronounced like the letter 'i' and colour the words blue if ie is pronounced like the 'e'.

- 1) I won't **lie**. I had a slice of **pie**.
- 2) If you don't water the plants, they will **die**.
- 3) The **chief** wore a red **tie**.
- 4) The police caught the **thief** before he could run away.
- 5) He gave a **brief** speech before the dance performance began.

GRAMMAR JUNCTION

- 1) Check the usage of for or since in the following sentences. Tick if it is correct and cross if it is incorrect. Rewrite the incorrect sentences correctly.

- a) Tarzan lived in the jungle since twenty years. ×

Ans) Tarzan lived in the jungle for twenty years.

- b) We waited for the bus since half an hour. ×

Ans) We waited for the bus for half an hour. ×

- c) My grandma lived in Patel Nagar for six years. ✓

- d) I have been waiting since last week for the letter. ✓

- e) Mohit has been living here since 2010. ✓

- 2) Fill in the blanks with since or for.

- a) for two years
- b) for 20 minutes
- c) since 1989
- d) since 5 December
- e) since last month
- f) for fifteen days

- g) since 30 March
- h) for 30 seconds

3) Fill in the blanks with since or for.

- a) I haven't met her since her wedding.
- b) She has been learning French for four months now.
- c) When he was ill, he didn't go to school for ten days.
- d) Mr.Sharma hasn't been to a zoo since he was a small child.
- e) Raveena has been looking for her phone for the past fifteen minutes.

