

## WORKSHEET - 87

1) Read the given extract and answer the questions that follow.

(a) What made the young seagull scream?

(ans) The seagull was quite hungry and yearned for food. When he saw a piece of fish in the beak of his mother, he suddenly dived at the fish forgetting that he didn't know how to fly and uttered a scream falling outwards and downwards into space.

(b) How long did the young seagull's fear last?

(ans) The young seagull fear lasted for only a minute.

(c) How did he feel later?

(ans) The next moment he felt his wings spread outwards. The wind rushed against his breast feathers, then under his stomach, and against his wings.

(d) Find out the antonym of 'upwards' from the passage.

(ans) The word is 'downwards'.

(2) Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each.

(a) What was the young seagull afraid of? Why was he not able to fly?

(ans) The young seagull was afraid of fly. He was not able to fly because he thought that his wings would not support him he would fall.

(b) What did the young seagull watch about his brothers all day long?

(ans) The young seagull watch his parents flying about with his brothers and sisters, perfecting them in the art of flight, teaching them how to dive for fish. His brothers were being praised by his parents for learning his flight.

(c) How did the young seagull react when his mother flew across to him with a piece of fish?

(ans) The young seagull leaned out eagerly, tapping the rock with his feet, trying to get nearer to his mother as she flew across so that he could take the food in his mouth.

(d) What was the mother seagull doing standing on the plateau and why?

(ans) The mother of the young seagull was sitting on the plateau and eating the piece of fish in order to lure her son. This was her trick to trap her son to come to her for food and for that he would have to fly.

3. Answer the following question in about 100-150 words.

(Q) How did the young seagull learn to fly? Give details.

(Ans) The seagull fell off as he leaned forward and as he fell a monstrous terror seized him and his heart stood still. He could hear nothing but it only lasted for one minute. After a moment he realised he took his first flight which was because of his extreme hunger and he wanted to eat the piece of fish. He always afraid to fly because he thought that he would not be able to fly as his wings would not support. But after taking his first flight he completely forgot about his fear and only remembered of enjoying his first flight.