

Class 8: chapter 8 :The First Pup

B. Read these sentences and answer the question:

1. "Thankfully, she dealt with the problem in a simple way – the next day she staggered around retching and was sick and out it came - intact".

a. Who is being talked about here?

- Bambi is being talked about in these lines.

b. What was the problem?

- The problem was Bambi had swallowed a chunk of its collar.

c. What would have happened if the problem hadn't been sorted?

- If the problem hadn't been sorted Bambi would have to be operated upon.

2. "The tea trolley squatted resplendently in the dining room, glittering with china and silver, ready to be rolled out in style."

a. Who had decorated the tea trolley? Why had it been decorated?

- The narrator's mother had decorated the tea trolley because Meera's mother-in-law was coming over for tea.

b. Which food items had been laid out on the trolley?

- Egg and cucumber sandwiches, cake and rasmalai had been laid out on the trolley.

c. What happened to the contents of the trolley?

--The contents of the trolley were partially eaten by Bambi.

C. Answer these questions:

1. What did Bambi benefit by all of her life?

- Bambi was benefitted by the bringing-up mistakes of the family. They had been lenient with Bambi and that had spoilt her.

2. How were the books 'partially pulped'?

- The books were 'partially pulped' because they had been chewed upon by Bambi.

3. What preventive measures did the family have to take to keep the pup out of harm's way?

- The family have to keep the electrical sockets out of Bambi's reach. They have to ensure that she didn't chew upon a live wire.

4. How did Bambi get at the butter? What happened after that? Did Bambi learn a lesson?

- Bambi got the butter because the door of the refrigerator had been left ajar.

After that Bambi was unwell for next two days and kept retching.

No, Bambi did not learn a lesson from the experience, and repeated the performance another time with a kadhai full of oil in which kebabs had been fried.

5. What did the author learn from raising Bambi?

- The author learnt that bringing up pets is not an easy task and that they should never be fed at the table.

D. Think and answer:

1. Do you think that the author and the family were fond of dogs? Why?

--The author and the family were exceptionally patient with Bambi and her mischiefs. Also, the author says that Bambi was their first pup and that they did not repeat the same mistakes with the other dogs. This shows that they loved dogs as they were not only patient but had other dogs too.

2. Why is the author glad that there were no cellphones in the old days?

- Bambi chewed whatever came her way. So, the author was glad that there were no cellphones during those days as somebody would have surely left one lying around and Bambi would have chewed it up and fallen sick.

3. Would you say Bambi was an inquisitive dog? Why?

- Bambi pried into open fridges and wastepaper baskets where nothing can be seen from outside. So, it is obvious that Bambi was an inquisitive dog.

TEXTUAL GRAMMAR: (only answers)

A.1. Unappeasable (page no.56)

2. Devoured

3. Act

4. Demolish

5. Morsels

E. (page no.57) Find suitable phrasal verbs.....

1. Revolves around

2. Watch out

3. Operated upon

4. Turned up

5. Wheel out

F. (Page no.57) complete the sentences by choosing the most appropriate options.

1. c

2. b

3. c

4. b

5. c

G. (page no. 57) use these words to make sentences in the simple present tense.

1. We must plant more trees to conserve our environment.

2. I always read books before I sleep

3. Diwali is also known as the ' festival of lights'.

4. Sameera is the chief Editor of the school magazine.

5. I will make a project on icebergs over the weekend.

6. Pets demand immense care and attention.

H. (page no. 58) Fill in the blanks with present continuous tense.....

1. are betting, is fielding

2. is hovering

3. is checking

4. is moving

5. are arriving

I. (page 58) Fill in the blanks with the present perfect or present perfect continuous.....

1. has been looking

2. has lived

3. has been talking

4. has completed

5. has been singing

6. has rained

J. (page 58- 59) Rewrite these sentences changing the verbs into their present perfect continuous forms.

2. Esha has been waiting for her friend at the station.

3. Hendry has been coming up with many practical solutions to the problem.

4. Mansi has been helping me with my French pronunciation.
5. The Das family has been planning a trip to Arunachal Pradesh.
6. The aircraft has been hovering over the airport for a long time.

WORK BOOK: (only answer)

A. (Page no.27)

1. Out of
2. Down
3. Up
4. In
5. Out
6. Down on
7. On
8. Down

B. Make sentence with these phrasal verbs:

1. I am looking forward to our visit to Jodhpur in December 2020
2. Deepali's father asked her to sort out the papers which were not important.
3. Malti looks down on people who are not educated.
4. We should never give up and keep trying harder.
5. Aziel ran into one of his schoolmates in the market.
6. The teacher asked the students to go ahead with the project.
7. Alex takes after his mother's side of the family.
8. Have we run out of new ideas?

C. (Page no. 28)

1. heavy RAIN
2. melodious VOICE
3. strong FEELING
4. great JOY
5. large AMOUNT
6. difficult CHOICE

D. (page no.28)

1. Mary's father makes breakfast.
2. The heat in Delhi makes Sumit ill.
3. Diya and Meena complete their project on time.
4. She works very hard on each assignment.
5. The Cricket World Cup takes place every four years.

E. (page no.28 -29)

1. We are having dinner with our neighbours.
2. The children are shouting loudly in the park.

3. Aparna is discussing the Christmas Day programme with her neighbours.
4. The sun is shining on my roof garden.
5. The study tour is being postponed due to the cyclone.

F. (Page no.29)

1. Writes
2. Are going
3. Comes
4. Fly
5. Are saying, is talking
6. Corrects

G. (page no. 29)

1. Salma is baking a cake.
2. Louise has been driving to the airport everyday.
3. Seema has sung at the concert
4. Anu is writing an essay.