

CLASS IV
ENGLISH - LESSON 2
ALONG THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD

SUMMARY-

Many stories and films are set in fantasy worlds. These are unusual places that do not exist in reality. They are full of magical beings and objects, like dragons, flying carpets and fairies. This lesson is taken from the book “**The Wonderful Wizard of Oz**”.

It is a story about a young girl called Dorothy who is carried away by a storm to the magical land of Oz. There she has many adventures on her journey down the Yellow Brick Road. Along the way, she meets some strange new friends. Among them were a talking Scarecrow and a Tin Man.

One sunny morning, Dorothy and Scarecrow came by a beautiful clear water spring. Dorothy bathed, drank and ate a light breakfast there while Scarecrow looked on thoughtfully. Scarecrow says it is so troublesome to be made of flesh as you always have to worry about where to sleep, eat and drink. However, you also have brain and it must be wonderful to be able to think properly. Suddenly they hear a deep groan from somewhere near. Soon they discover something shining in the sunlight between the trees. They go closer to spot and found it was a man entirely made of tin with an axe in his hand. He stood there as if he could not stir at all. He told them that he stood there for more than a year groaning but no one ever heard him.

Dorothy was ready to help him as he could not move he was in great need of oiling. Dorothy gets the oil can from his hut and began oiling his joints. He gave a sigh of relief and felt grateful and politely thanked them for their help. He asked them what they were doing there. They told him that they were on their way to the Emerald City to see the great Oz, The Yellow Brick Road led them to this place. After knowing the cause why they wanted to meet Oz (Dorothy wanted to be sent back to Kansas and Scarecrow wanted Oz to give him brains) Tin Man thought of getting a heart for himself from Oz. He then joins their party, and with that the three started marching towards the Emerald City.

MEANINGS

1. Spring- A pool created by fresh running water.
2. Thoughtfully- Thinking carefully.
3. Groan- A long deep sound made because of pain.
4. Discovered- Found something suddenly or by chance.
5. Stir- move
6. Gave a sigh of relief- Suddenly felt happy when the suffering ended.
7. Grateful- Being thankful for someone’s help.
8. Party- Group

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING

1. Where were Dorothy and Scarecrow? Where were they going?

Ans- Dorothy and Scarecrow were near a beautiful clear water spring. Dorothy

was bathing there while scarecrow looked thoughtfully.

2. What according to Scarecrow is a wonderful thing about the human body?

Ans- According to Scarecrow the brain is a wonderful thing about the human body, As it helps the humans to think properly.

3. What would have happened if Dorothy and Scarecrow hadn't come along?

Ans- If Dorothy and Scarecrow hadn't come along Tin Man would have stood there forever.

4. Why did Tin Man want to join Dorothy and Scarecrow?

Ans- Tin Man wanted to join Dorothy and Scarecrow so that he could go to the Emerald City and ask Oz to grant him his wish.

5. Who was groaning in the forest and why?

Ans- A man who was entirely made of tin was groaning in the forest because he could not stir at all.

6. How did Dorothy help the troubled man?

Ans- Dorothy rushed immediately to Tin Man's hut and returned with an oil can. She then oiled all his joints till they moved easily.

7. What were the different wishes of the three characters in the story?

Ans- The different wishes of the three characters were Dorothy wanted to be sent to Kansas , Scarecrow wanted some brains and Tin Man wanted a heart.

GRAMMAR

Articles

A AN THE

We use **a** or **an** before singular nouns that can be counted.

We use **the** before singular and plural nouns to talk about something specific.

EXAMPLES-

- They found it was **a** man entirely made of tin. (*Used before singular noun beginning with a consonant sound*)
- He had **an** axe in his hand. (*Used before singular noun beginning with a Vowel*)
- **The** man was groaning. (*Used before something or someone that we talk about or see before us*)
- **The** Yellow Brick Road. (*Used for stating a particular place*)

Q **Fill correct article**

1. I bought ___ new book yesterday.
2. I like ___ blue shirt over there.
3. My sister is ___ painter.
4. I saw Jamil at ___ library.

5. I bought ___ Umbrella to go out in the rain.
6. I like ___ red bike over there better than ___ yellow one.

USE OF MANY AND MUCH

Countable Nouns are things, people and places that we can count (trees, books)

We use words like (a, an, the, many) before them.

Uncountable Nouns are nouns that we cannot count using numbers (sad).

We use words like (the, much) before them.

Q Fill in the blanks with much or many

1. Latika has ___ chocolates in her bag.
2. How ___ water is left in the jar?
3. There are ___ cars parked near the building.
4. How ___ blank pages are left in your notebook?
5. Are there ___ people at the beach?
6. There is not ___ juice left in the glass.

ADJECTIVES

An adjective is a word that describes a noun or a pronoun.

Some describing words usually go with certain nouns. For example the words **light** and **heavy** are used for meals and **strong** and **powerful** are used instead of **hard** and **severe** to describe opinions. Examples- 1- Light breakfast

2- Strong views

Q Choose the correct adjective that goes with the noun in colour

1. Hard/main work _____
2. Deep/heavy traffic _____
3. Good/hard advice _____
4. Strong/tough feeling _____
5. Strong/deep trouble _____
6. Main/heavy idea _____

Q Complete the sentences with the answers from above question

1. Have you read this paragraph?
Yes, but I don't remember the details, just the **main idea**.
2. What did the coach tell you before the match?
He gave us some very _____.
3. Why did you come late to school?
There was _____ on the roads today.
4. Have you finished your homework?

No! I think I am in _____ now.

5. Who do you think will become class monitor this year?

I have a _____ it will be Anna.

6. Will it be a difficult contest this year?

Yes, you will have to put in a lot of _____ if you want to win.

SPELLINGS

Q Complete the words with correct vowels

1. The p _ d _ l of my cycle is broken.

2. We had dinner at a r _st _ _ r _ nt.

3 Put the apples and oranges in s _ p _ r _ t _ baskets.

4. The house is full of old f _ r n _ t _ r _ .

5. I went to the st _ t _ _ n _ ry shop.