



## LESSON 15

### TWO FRIENDS

#### SOLUTIONS:

#### Comprehension

**1. Answer the following questions in a sentence each:**

**i.** What did the mischievous boy want Mani and Abdul to do?

**Ans:** The mischievous boy wanted Mani and Abdul to wrestle.

**ii.** Why did Mani refuse to go to school?

**Ans:** Mani refused to go to school because his parents refused his demand to have a same shirt like Abdul.

**iii.** What did Kaoba do to Mani?

**Ans:** Kaoba put his arms around Mani's neck and dragged him on the open ground.

**iv.** What happened to Abdul's shirt?

**Ans:** Abdul's shirt pocket and a six-inch strip were torn.

**v.** What did Mani and Abdul do in the lane?

**Ans:** Mani and Abdul exchanged their shirts in the lane.

**vi.** What did Mani's mother do when she saw Mani's torn shirt?

**Ans:** When Mani's mother saw Mani's torn shirt, she took a needle and thread and mended the torn shirt.

**vii.** What did Hasan said to Tombi as he picked up Mani in his arms?

**Ans:** Hasan said to Tombi that Mani would be his son from that day as he picked up Mani in his arms.

**viii.** What did the village headman announce?

**Ans:** The village headman announced that they will call Mani and Abdul true friends.

**2. Answer the following questions in about 20-25 words each:**

**i.** Why are the shirts of Mani and Abdul called identical?

**Ans:** The shirts of Mani and Abdul are identical because Mani wanted to have the same shirt as Abdul.

**ii.** How were Abdul's family different from Mani's family?

**Ans:** Mani had both parents and three brothers whereas Abdul had only his father.

**iii.** Why did Kaoba howl?

**Ans:** Kaoba howled because Abdul tripped him and sent him sprawling on the ground.

**iv.** Why were Mani and Abdul overcome with fear when they saw Abdul's torn shirt?

**Ans:** Mani and Abdul were overcome with fear when they saw Abdul's torn shirt because Abdul's father borrowed money from the moneylender, spent a lot of time choosing the cloth and having it stitched.

**v.** How was Mani sure his punishment would not be very severe?

**Ans:** Mani was sure that his punishment would not be very severe as he has a mother who would protect him.

**vi.** Why did Hasan's gentle tone worry the two boys?

**Ans:** Hasan's gentle tone worries the two boys because they thought he was pretending to be kind.

**vii.** How did Tombi react when Hasan said that Mani would from that day be his son?

**Ans:** When Hasan said that Mani would be his son from that day, Tombi mocked by saying that he can't even handle one son, how he would handle the two of them.

**3. Answer the following questions in about 50-60 words each:**

**i.** Write how Mani bullied his parents to get a new shirt?

**Ans:** When Abdul got a new shirt, Mani bullied his parents to get him the same shirt like Abdul. When his mother disagreed, he refused to go to school, refused to eat and refused to come home at night. Finally, his mother persuaded his father to buy him new clothes.

**ii.** Narrate Mani and Abdul's encounter with the rowdies when they came out with their new shirts.

**Ans:** Mani and Abdul were wearing the identical shirt and walking arm-in-arm during Holi festival. Seeing them identically dressed, the rowdies persuaded them that they should have a wrestling match so that they could see whether they are also equal in strength or one is tougher than the other.

**iii.** Write how Mani saved Abdul from his father's punishment.

**Ans:** Abdul's father borrowed money from moneylender, spent a lot of time choosing the cloth and having it stitched. So, when Mani saw Abdul's torn shirt, Mani knew that Abdul's father will skin him alive, Mani suggested Abdul that they should exchange their shirts.

**iv.** Why did the two boys try to run away when the boy's taunted them that they had exchanged shirts?

**Ans:** The two boys tried to run away when the boy's taunted them that they had exchanged shirts because they feared the news of interchanging their shirt might reach their father's ears and ran towards their respective homes.

**v.** How are Mani and Abdul true friends?

**Ans:** A true friend is the one help one another in difficult times. Kaoba put his arms around Mani's neck and dragged him on the ground. Abdul lost his temper and wrestle with Kaoba. When Abdul had torn his shirt due to wrestling, Mani wanted to save him from his punishment by interchanging their shirts. They help each other in difficult times. In this sense, Mani and Abdul were true friends.



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## Vocabulary

4. Complete the blanks in the following sentences as shown in the examples. Use the words given in the box.

**Examples:**

The *English* live in England. An *Englishman* speaks English.  
He eats *English* breakfast

- i. The Swiss live in Switzerland. A Swiss man eats Swiss cheese.
- ii. The Poles live in Poland. A Polish man speaks Polish and dances Polish mazurkas.
- iii. The Danes live in Denmark. A Danish man speaks and drinks Danish beer.
- iv. The Scots live in Scotland. A Scottish man speaks Scots and eats Scotch porridge and like poetry.
- v. The Egyptians live in Egypt. An Egyptian man speaks Egyptian and eats Egyptian lentils.
- vi. The Tibetan live in Tibet. A Tibetan man speaks Tibetan and drinks Tibetan buttered tea.
- vii. The Americans live in America. An American man speaks English and eats American hot dogs.
- viii. The Chinese live in China. A Chinese man speaks Chinese and eats Chinese noodles.

Danes (s)
Danish
Egyptians (s)
Americans (s)
Chinese
Swiss
Poles (s)
Polish (s)
Tibetans
Scots (s)
Scotch
Scottish

5. Complete the following family table. One is done for you:

Male	Female	Young One
Drake	Duck	duckling
Gander	<i>Goose</i>	<i>Gosling</i>
Pig	<i>Gilt</i>	<i>Piglet</i>
<i>Fox</i>	Vixen	<i>Pups</i>
<i>Horse</i>	<i>Mare</i>	Colt
<i>Deer</i>	Doe	<i>Fawn</i>

## Language Work

6. Look at the following sentence:

He was in the habit of *flying kites* for hours.

This sentence can be written in the following manner.

He used to *fly kites* for hours.

Now, rewrite the following sentences using 'used to' phrase:

- i. She was in the habit of sleeping in the morning.
- ii. Ratan was in the habit of playing chess before his marriage.
- iii. Kamal was in the habit of smoking cigarette, but now he does not.
- iv. Radha was in the habit of drinking ten cups of coffee each day.
- v. Their grandmother was in the habit of telling them stories at night.

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7. Look at the following two sentences:

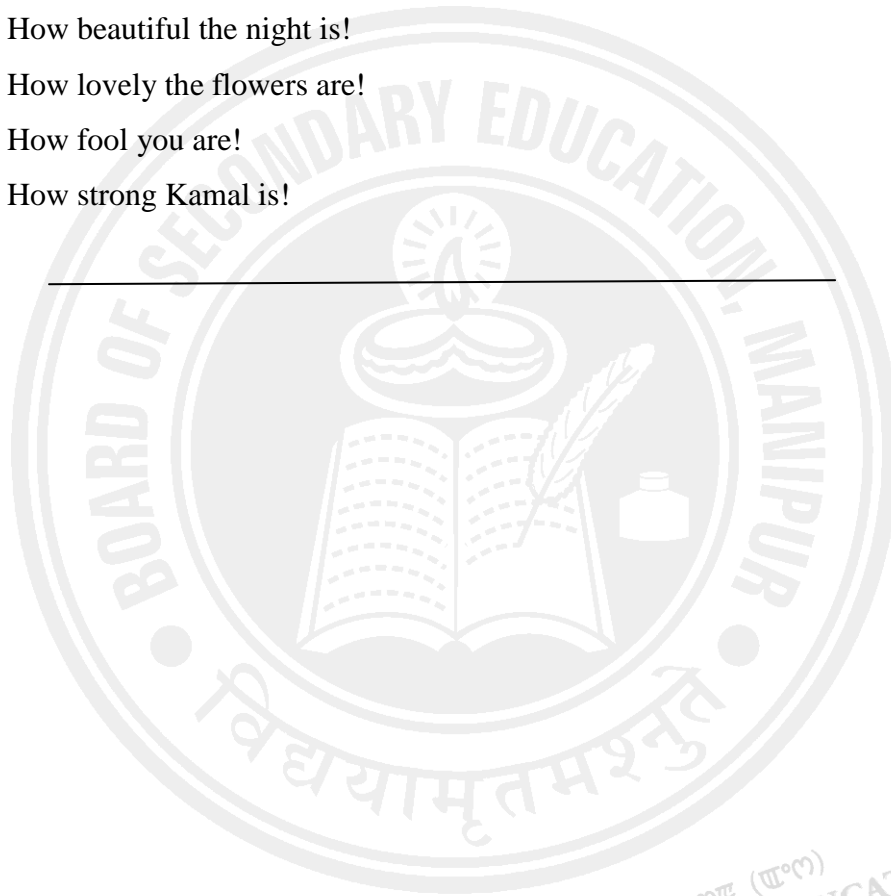
- (a) How wise he is! (Exclamatory)
- (b) He is very wise. (Assertive)

Now change the following Assertive sentences into Exclamatory sentences:

- i. You are a very careless driver.
- ii. The night is very beautiful.
- iii. These flowers are very lovely.
- iv. You are a great fool.
- v. Kamal is very strong.

**Ans:**

- i. How careless driver you are!
- ii. How beautiful the night is!
- iii. How lovely the flowers are!
- iv. How fool you are!
- v. How strong Kamal is!



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