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LESSON 9

THE COLOUR AND THE RHYTHM

NOTES:

SUMMARY:

The day for annual school excursion finally arrived. The children were eagerly waiting for it and they felt very excited. They sang and laughed inside the bus. When they reached Ukhrul, they were taken to the village open field. They were thrilled to see many people dancing wearing traditional dresses. The dance was related to Luira festival. The teacher explained that it is an annual festival celebrated during harvesting and the celebration lasts for seven to ten days. Everyone was happy to see such a colourful festival.

The festival reminded Abe of Gan-Ngai festival which she had attended the previous year. Achingna, on the request of their teacher told everything about Gan-Ngai festival which is also associated with the annual harvest. The festival goes on for five to seven days and it is celebrated in winter. Hutun, another student in the group was reminded of a festival of his people called Khutho. He belonged to the Anal community. Khutho is also an important festival which is celebrated in winter after the annual harvest. This festival is celebrated for two days. Everyone was very much delighted to hear and learn so many things about the important festivals of Manipur.

Hoinu also shared everything she knew about the Chavang Kut to her fellow students and teacher. Chavang Kut, which is an important festival of the Kukis is celebrated during the Chavang or harvesting season. The teacher and the students were eager to hear about the Yaoshang festival from Renu. She was delighted to hear this and shared all she knew about the festival to them. The Yaoshang festival is one of the most popular and important festivals of Manipur. It lasts for five days. Thabal Chongba is the most exciting part of Yaoshang. The children felt very happy and they were proud of their motherland, Manipur.

WORD MEANINGS:

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| Assemble | : | <i>gather together in one place for a common purpose.</i> |
| Harvesting | : | <i>gathering of crops.</i> |
| Restriction | : | <i>confinement or limitation</i> |
| Artisans | : | <i>skilled workmen</i> |
| Rituals | : | <i>prescribed orders of performing religious services</i> |
| Granary | : | <i>storehouse for grain</i> |
| Initiation ceremony | : | <i>ceremony marking adulthood</i> |
| Husks | : | <i>dry outer covering of fruits or seed, here it is rice</i> |
| Entity | : | <i>thing with real existence</i> |
| Cosmology | : | <i>theory of the universe</i> |



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