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Assignment 1

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UNIT 5

TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE, ANIMALS AND PLACES

A Describing people

Here is a description of Ramesh Babu.

Read the description of Ramesh Babu

Ramesh Babu's tall and big-built. He has a long face with a hooked nose. He has a fine moustache. His hair's black and straight. He has small eyes. He's wearing a white dhoti and kurta.

Activity 1

a. Describe your family members. Use some of the expressions in the box below.

tall and plump

curly hair

fine moustache

wide mouth

hooked nose

plain sari and printed blouse

tall and thin

long hair

oval face

big ears

thin lips

shirt

long skirt and short blouse

short and slim

long plait

long face

round face

small nose

white pants and black T-shirt

black hair

thick hair

small eyes

long nose

pointed chin

straight hair

short hair

large eyes

broad forehead

salwarkameez

tall and big-built

wavy hair

short beard

small mouth

sharp nose

white dhoti and

Activity 2

Think of a person in your family. Complete your responses to the questions below about the person with words such as those in brackets. Then practice these questions and answers.

a. How tall is your.....?

She/he's(tall, short, of medium height)

b. Can you describe your 's hair?

It's (wavy, curly, straight, long, short)

c. What is the colour of your 's eyes?

They're (black, brown, grey)

d. How is the dressed?

He/she's wearing (jeans, shirt, skirt, blouse, T-shirt, pants, salwarkameez)

Activity 4

Write two sentences each about any two members of your family. After everyone in the group has finished the task, take turns to say aloud what you have written in the blank spaces below.

a.

.....

b.

.....

PAIR WORK

Activity 5

Work in pairs. Fill in the line that Raju's father says to describe his friend and enact the dialogue with a partner, taking turns to play each of the two roles.

Father : Raju, my friend will be coming by the 10 o'clock bus from Warangal. Can you meet him at the bus stop and bring him home, please. I have to go to the office urgently.

Raju : I'll be happy to do that, Father. But how will I find him? I haven't seen him.

Father :

Raju : Does he have a moustache?

Father : No, he doesn't, but he wears glasses.

Raju : I think I should now be able to recognise him. Don't worry, Father I'll bring him home.

Father : Thanks, Raju.

Raju : You're welcome.

B Describing animals

How would you talk about animals to others? You can tell them what they are called, what they look like, what they eat and where they live.

Read the DIALOGUE 1four times loudly.

Maria : Hello, Salim! How're you?
 Salim : Hello, Maria. I'm fine, thank you. How are things with you?
 Maria : I'm okay. Hey, is that your pet dog?
 Salim : That's right. He's a Labrador. I call him Munna. He's just three months old.
 Maria : I love his brown coat. And he's so soft and cuddly!
 Salim : He's very friendly too.
 Maria : What do you give him to eat?
 Salim : Well, mainly milk. He also loves rice and meat cooked together
 Maria : Where does he sleep?
 Salim : On a soft rug in the corner of my bedroom.
 Maria : I must come home and play with him sometime.
 Salim : Sure. That'll be nice.

Activity

Choose from the words that describe the nature of each animal given in the box.

bear	buffalo	camel	cow	deer	donkey
elephant	giraffe	goat	lion	monkey	tiger

Adorable,	Aggressive,	Agile,	Beautiful,	Bossy,
Candid,	Carnivorous,	Clever,	Cold,	Cold-
Blooded,				
Colorful,	Cuddly,	Curious,	Cute,	Dangerous,
Deadly,	Domestic,	Dominant,	Energetic,	Fast,
Feisty,	Ferocious,	Fierce,	Fluffy,	Friendly,
Furry,	Fuzzy,	Grumpy,	Hairy,	Heavy,
Herbivorous,	Jealous,	Large,	Lazy,	Loud,
Lovable,	Loving,	Malicious,	Maternal,	Mean,
Messy,	Nocturnal,	Noisy,	Nosy,	Picky,
Playful,	Poisonous,	Quick,	Rough,	Sassy,
Scaly,	Short,	Shy,	Slimy,	Slow,
Small,	Smart,	Smelly,	Soft,	Spikey,
Stinky,	Strong,	Stubborn,	Submissive,	Tall,
Tame,	Tenacious,	Territorial,	Tiny,	Vicious,
Warm,	Wild			

Activity

Talk about the animals in the list below, using the given expressions. For e.g., look at the description of a lion.

The lion looks like a huge cat. It has a mane around its face and neck, and grey or green eyes. It has long whiskers. The tip of its tail is bushy.

Lion : looks like a huge cat; has a mane around its face and neck, grey/green eyes and long whiskers; tip of its tail is bushy

Tiger :looks like a large cat; has black and yellow stripes on its skin

Giraffe: has a very long neck and long, thin legs, and large dark spots on its body

Monkey:has a long tail

Donkeys: look like a horse, but they are smaller; have long ears

Deer :has spots on its skin, gentle eyes

Bear : has thick fur on its body and a big snout

Camel :tall animal with a hump on its back, and long legs with padded paws

Elephant: huge animal with big, fan-like ears, tiny eyes, a long trunk, tusks and legs like pillars

Cow :has short horns and a long tail

Buffalo: is big and black, looks like a cow, has long curved horns

Goat :not very big animal, has horns on top of its head

Rabbit : small animal, with long ears and soft fur on its body

Zebra :animal like a donkey, but has black and white stripes on its body

C Describing places

Words that Embrace a Place

The words we choose will allow the reader to understand the writer's perspective. To call something bustling and vibrant is quite different from desolate and deserted. Will any of these descriptive words for places stoke the flames of your next scene?

- Alive - Full of life
- Attractive - Pleasing; charming
- Beautiful - Having qualities that are pleasing or appealing
- Bustling - Full of life, energy
- Calm - Peaceful; free from stress
- Charming - Fascinating; likeable
- Cosmopolitan - Appealing to people from all across the globe
- Enchanting - Delightful; fascinating
- Fascinating - Alluring; captivating
- Fresh - Something newly made and full of vigor
- Homey - Cozy; inviting
- Inspiring - Enlivening; motivating
- Lively - Full of life and spirit
- Peaceful - Calm; friendly
- Picturesque - Scenic; beautiful
- Unspoiled - Untouched by man; pure
- Vibrant - Full of life; energy

Words to Express Dislike for a Place

If the show doesn't fit, don't force it. Go ahead and call it polluted, rundown, or even horrifying. Try to evoke scents as well as sights with your prose. Some of these words may

be subject to opinion, such as crowded or touristy, but readers will quickly catch your connotation.

- Bleak - Gloomy; somber
- Boring - Dull; uninteresting
- Creepy - Causing feelings of fear or disgust
- Crowded - Filled to capacity
- Deserted - Abandoned; uninhabited
- Desolate - Empty; bleak
- Dull - Boring; lacking zest
- Expensive - Costly; having a very high price
- Horrifying - Frightening; disgusting
- Nightmarish - Resembling a bad dream
- Polluted - Dirty; contaminated
- Rundown - In poor condition
- Stormy - Turbulent; tempestuous
- Touristy - Of or for tourists, suggesting tastelessness
- Ugly - Visually unpleasing

More Words to Describe a Place

Sometimes, it all boils down to the facts of the matter. Perhaps you're visiting ancient ruins or staying at a contemporary resort. Here are some unbiased descriptors to help you label a place:

- Ancient - Belonging to an earlier period of time
- Contemporary - Existing in the present time
- Magical - Captivating; enchanting
- Majestic - Grand; impressive; stately
- Modern - Of or relating to the current time
- Mystical - Magical; enigmatic
- Quiet - Not noisy
- Traditional - In keeping with conventional customs

When you want to describe a place to someone, you can talk about where it is and how big it is, and also say what it has and how it looks, etc.

Read the DIALOGUE four times loudly.

- Smita : Farida, I heard you have moved into a new place. Where is it?
Farida : It's not very far from college, just to the left of the Amar theatre. It's a two-room flat.
Smita : That's nice! What's it like?
Farida : It's bright and airy. There are large cupboards in both the rooms and two open balconies.
Smita : You seem happy.
Farida : I am. The flat's very comfortable.
Smita : I'll drop in next weekend if I can.
Farida : Please do. You're always welcome.

Activity

Write down answers to the following questions in the blank spaces. You can use any of the given clues, or you can give your own answer. Enact with a member in your family.

1. Where are you from?

.....

(a big city, a small town, a village)

2. How would you describe your village or hometown?

.....

(noisy, dusty, crowded, peaceful, an industrial town, has many high-rise buildings, on the banks of a river, has farms, has green fields, has small houses)

3. What is it famous for?

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(weavers cooperatives, small-scale industries, historical monuments, multinational corporations, an old temple/church/mosque, wooden toys, a clean beach)