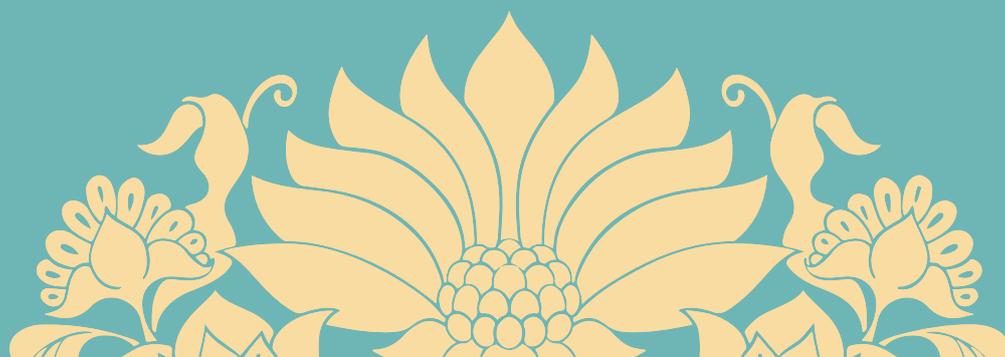


Std 5 - English



The Sailor

I) Spellings:

- 1. laden**
- 2. moored**
- 3. wharf**
- 4. hoist**
- 5. whatever**
- 6. noontide**
- 7. merrily**
- 8. ford**

II) Word meanings:

- 1. moored - anchored**
- 2. wharf - a level quayside area to which a ship may be moored to load and unload**
- 3. jute - rough fibre**
- 4. idle - without any purpose**
- 5. noontide - the time of noon**

III) Reference to the context:

a) The boat of the boatman

Madhu is moored at the wharf of Rajgung.

It is uselessly laden with jute, and has been lying idle for ever so long.

1. Where is Madhu's boat moored?

A. Madhu's boat is moored at Rajgunj.

2. Why does the speaker think Madhu's boat is uselessly laden with jute?

A. The speaker does not understand the financial or business affairs of today.

He is immature. He felt that the boats are meant for sailing to distant lands full of adventure.

b) I shall take my friend Ashu with me. We shall sail merrily across the seven seas and the thirteen rivers of fairyland.

1. Who does the speaker intend to take with him on his boat?

A) The speaker intends to take his friend Ashu along with him.

2. Where does the speaker want to sail?

A) The speaker wants to sail across the seven seas and the thirteen rivers of fairyland.

IV) Answer the following questions:

1) What preparations does the speaker need to make before setting sail?

A) The speaker needs to fix hundred oars in the boat along with five or six sails before starting his journey.

2) Where does the speaker think he will be at noon?

A) The speaker thinks he will be in the land of a strange king at noon.

3) How long does the speaker think this journey will take?

A) The speaker thinks that the journey will take a day.

4) When will the speaker set sail?

A) The speaker will set sail at dawn.

C. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the brackets.

1. We are going to have ice cream for dessert (desert/dessert).
2. The miners were digging for iron ore (ore/oar).
3. "I have never seen (scene/seen) such a messy room," Mom exclaimed!
4. The Titanic was one of the biggest ships to set sail (sale/sail) on the high seas.
5. When the tide (tied/tide) receded, the beach was full of seashells.
6. I forgot to ask Reena what she would like me to buy (buy/bye) from the market.
7. Animals, like humans, protect and care for their (there/their) young ones.
8. Like a lion attacking its prey (prey/pray), the kitten pounced on its toy.

Understanding the POEM

A. Fill in the blanks with words and phrases from the poem.

1. The boat of the boatman Madhu is lying idle in the wharf of Rajgunj.
2. The poet wants to cross the seven seas and thirteen rivers of fairyland.
3. He will fill his boat with things he likes.
4. The poet will take his friend, Ashu with him.
5. They will set sail early in the morning and by noon will be in the land of a strange king.
6. They will leave behind the desert of Tepantar.
7. The speaker will return home before it gets dark and will tell his mother of all that they had seen.

Learn the poem for recitation:

1. Written in March

2. A Fine Day

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