Subject – English Language Grade – 11 Competency level – 5.5- Reads and understands simple folk tales Lesson – 13 Activity sheet

Activity 01-Read the story and find the answers.

The Man, the Boy and the Donkey

A man and his son were once going with their donkey to the market. As they were walking along by his side a countryman passed them and said, "You fools, what is a donkey for but to ride upon?" So the man put the boy on the donkey, and they went on their way. But soon they passed a group of men, one of whom said, "See that lazy youngster, he lets his father walk while he rides."

State whether the following statements are True or False

- 1) The man and his son were going to the school. (.....)
- 2) First the man put his son on the donkey. (.....)
- 3) First they met a countryman and second they met some young boys. (.....)

Activity 02- Answer the following questions after reading the story.

1. What is the order given by the man to his son?

2.Who have passed them?

3. Which statement tells you that the boy is walking hard and the man is going fine?

So the man ordered his boy to get off and got on himself. But they hadn't gone far when they passed two women, one of whom said to the other, "Shame on that lazy lout to let his poor little son trudge along"

Well, the man didn't know what to do, but at last he took his boy up before him on the donkey.

By this time, they had come to the town, and the passersby began to jeer and point at them. The man stopped and asked what they were scoffing at. The men said, "Aren't you ashamed of yourself for overloading that poor donkey of yours, you and your hulking son?" Activity 03- Find synonyms from the above passage for given words

- 1. observers =
- 2. mock =
- 3. well-built =
- 4. guilty =

Activity 04- Read the story below and find what is referred by underlined pronouns.

The man and boy got off and tried to think what to do. **They** thought and they thought, until at last they cut down pole, tied the donkey to **their** shoulders. They went along amid the laughter of all who met until they came to a bridge, when the donkey, getting one of **its** feet loose, kicked out and caused the boy to drop his end of the pole. In the struggle the donkey fell over the bridge, and its forefeet being tied together, **it** was drowned.

1.They=

2.their=

3.its =

4.it =

Activity 05- What is the message given by the story? Underline.

- 1. Don't take unnecessary challenges.
- 2. Don't try to please everyone, and you will please no one.
- 3. Challenges make you feel confident.