

# WHEN WE ARE TOGETHER 6

## Activity 6.1

### Act out

Sasantha visited his best friend Ram during the school vacation. He played cricket with Ram and his brother, Shyam. Ram's mother, Savithri served them some snacks and tea.



- Mother:** Boys! It's tea time.
- Ram:** OK Mother. Give us five minutes. It's the last over.
- Mother:** Come soon children. Otherwise the *Vadai* will get cold.
- Sasantha:** *Vadai*? I love them, but we buy it from a café. Does aunty make them at home?
- Shyam:** Yes. She makes the best *Vadai* in the world...don't you mother?

- Mother:** ha..ha..If you say so. Wash your hands and come in.
- Sasantha:** Mmm...they are very tasty aunty. Thank you very much.
- Mother:** You're welcome.
- Ram:** Now that we've had our tea, shall we play a game?
- Sasantha:** What do you have in mind?
- Shyam:** Usually when we get together, we play chess, carrom, ludo and we also solve riddles.
- Sasantha:** That sounds wonderful!
- Ram:** I have a collection of riddles we can solve them now. Mother, will you join us?
- Mother:** No son, I can't. I have to prepare lunch.
- Shyam:** What's for lunch mother?
- Mother:** Well, since we have a guest today, I thought of making puri with potato and dosai with sambar and we have payasam for dessert.
- Ram:** Wow mother, that's a very good menu. I hope my friend will enjoy it.

1. What were the boys doing when mother brought them tea?
2. What did they have for tea?
3. What was special about it?
4. What are they planning to do after tea?
5. What will they have for lunch?

## Activity 6.2

- a). Here are some riddles from Sasantha's riddle book. Can you solve them?

Watermelon / The letter W / in the river bank / Fire / Your name / A stamp / An onion / A mushroom / A coffin / A needle

1. Where do fish keep their money?
2. What room can no one enter?
3. Feed me and I live, yet give me a drink and I die.
4. Take off my skin - I won't cry, but you will! What am I?
5. What is at the end of a rainbow?
6. What has one eye but cannot see?
7. This belongs to you but is used more by others.
8. What can travel around the world while staying in a corner?
9. Who makes it, has no need of it. Who buys it, has no use for it.  
Who uses it can neither see nor feel it. What is it?
10. There was a green house. Inside the green house there was  
a white house. Inside the white house there was a red house.  
Inside the red house there were lots of babies. What is it?

b). Try the riddles that you know with your friends.

### Activity 6.3

Hasmal woke up in the morning and looked at the clock. It was seven o'clock. He jumped out of his bed.

"Oh no, it's late!" He ran to have a shower. He brushed his teeth in no time, washed himself swiftly and was back in his room within seconds.

"Oh! look at my shoes they need to be polished but I have no time," he said to himself.

Hasmal ran out of the house in hurry. His mother was outside, sweeping the garden.

"Hasmal wait, wait, where are you running?"

"Mother, I have to go. It's late. I will miss the bus."

"Wait, Hasmal. Don't run."

"Mother! don't worry. I had my breakfast," said Hasmal and didn't wait for his mother to speak.

When he went to the bus stop his friends were not to be seen.

“Oh no! It looks like the school bus has already left. Maybe I can catch the next bus.”

The bus wasn't crowded as it usually is. Hasmal thought to himself. Within a few minutes he was in school. He looked around. There was nobody.

“Where are the students? Where are the prefects who are generally here in the morning?” Hasmal was baffled.

He thought of going for the morning assembly in the play ground.

“But there is a group of girls playing netball in the play ground. Where are the students in our school? Why is it quiet today?” Hasmal thought.

He thought of going to his classroom to keep his bag. But oh, it was locked. He tried to open it but he couldn't. Just then the school security guard was passing by.

“Excuse me! Why are you in your uniform today?”

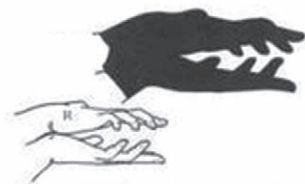
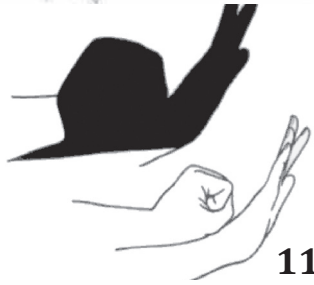
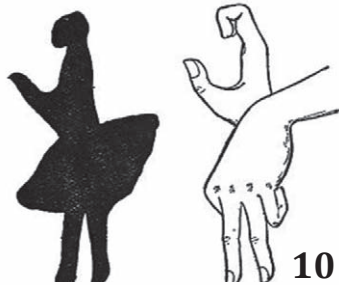
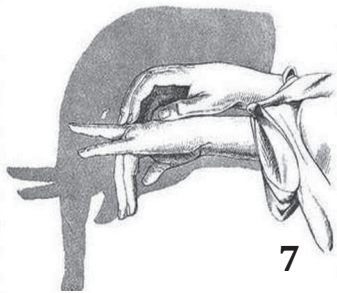
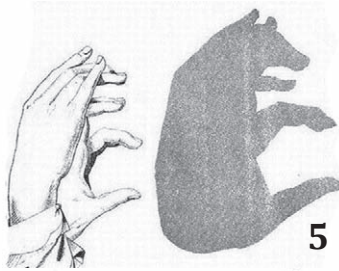
1. What time did Hasmal wake up?
2. What did he do after he woke up?
3. What was unusual about this day?
4. What would have happened if he had talked to his mother in the morning?
5. Give a suitable ending to the story.

## Activity 6.4

### Word study- Shadowgraphy

Learn how to do shadow puppets, so that you can entertain those around you. Here are some shadows that you can form on the wall. Match the pictures with the words. Try out forming them too.

A bird in flight/ Crab/ Panther/ Snail / Rooster / Alligator / Turtle / Ballerina/ Camel / Deer / Wild boar / Elephant's trunk / Hare / Goat / Goose



## Activity 6.5

Every afternoon Ram's mother prepares a snack for tea. This is how she makes roti. Match the pictures with the sentences. Learn and try out.

- First, the flour, salt and scraped coconut is mixed and water is added to make a soft dough.
- Then, the dough is divided into equal portions.
- Next, the portions of the dough are flattened to make a roti.
- After that, a little oil is applied on the skillet and is placed over medium heat.
- The roti is baked for a few minutes, until it is turned brown.
- Finally, the other side of the roti is also baked well until it becomes brown and smells pleasant.



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Answer these questions

1. What are the ingredients used to make roti?
2. What type of temperature should be used ?
3. What signs suggest that the roti is well baked?
4. Find words similar in meaning from the text.
  - a) part of a larger amount -
  - b) to make something level -
  - c) a middle condition or degree -

### LEARNING POINT

#### PASSIVE VOICE

Study these sentences

1. Mother makes snacks. (Active voice / simple present tense)  
  
Snacks are made by mother (Passive voice / is/ are+ past participle)
2. She flattens the dough.  
  
The dough is flattened by her.

## Activity 6.6

### Study these



The furniture is built by the carpenter      ✓  
The carpenter is built by the furniture      ×



Boy is played by the football every evening      ×  
Football is played by the boy every evening      ✓



The girl is eaten by an apple at the interval      ×  
An apple is eaten by the girl at the interval      ✓



Thamal and Lahiru are played tennis every evening      ×  
Tennis is played by Thamal and Lahiru every evening      ✓

## Activity 6.7

Read this passage and find the passive voice sentences.

### A day in the life of a news reader

What is the life of a news reader like? To say the least, it's hectic. I always work with tight deadlines, but I love the challenge it provides. I meet so many interesting people every day. I start my day at 7.00 in the morning and work till about 10.00 in the night. Most of the time, I am expected to be well dressed. Of all the work I do, breaking news is the most exciting time in my job; I get no breaks during breaking news. Sometimes, I am given only half an hour to collect information and go live for the newscast. Editing and writing is done within a few seconds. I often have opportunities to work with extraordinary people. Politicians



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and celebrities are also interviewed by me. With all this work, sometimes, the letters and e-mails sent to me are also answered by me. Every day is different and new to me.

### Activity 6.8

#### Listening

Listen to your teacher and draw your village.

### Activity 6.9

Recite this poem aloud and improve your pronunciation.

#### Macau, the City of Dreams

Macau,  
The City of Dreams,  
Rich in history and traditions  
With streets lined by colourful constructions,  
Left behind by people  
Who made many thousand-mile trips  
On their sailing ships.  
Macau,  
The City of Dreams,  
Full of wonderful attractions  
Of a grand mix of architectural creations,  
Brought to us by people  
Who travelled long distance  
For a brave new world of abundance.  
Macau,  
The City of Dreams,  
Never short of pedestrian zones  
In winding city streets paved in cobblestones,  
Where no traffic is ever allowed to invade,  
And the quiet, peaceful nature trails  
That gives a taste of Macau's rustic charms and details.