

## UNIT : 1 ( PROSE ) JOURNEY BY TRAIN

Class : VII

Subject : English

**A. Work in pairs. Choose six items which are essential for a camp. Rank their priority and justify your answer.**

**Answer:**

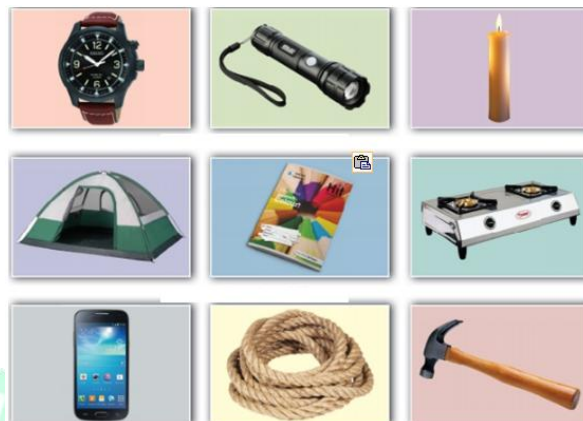
1. Torch Light
2. Tent
3. Cell Phone
4. Rope
5. Hammer
6. Stove

These things are essential for a camp

because without these things, we cannot

enjoy our camp. Camping is an amazing experience. So we should prepare ourselves

properly with the essential items taken along with us. This will avoid frustration and stress.



**B. Discuss and answer - Intext Questions.**

**1. Why did the train stop in the middle of the forest?**

The train stopped in the middle of the forest as there were no railroad lines beyond that place.

**2. Why was Sir Francis angry?**

There were no railroad lines from Kholby to Allahabad. But the tickets were sold from Bombay to Calcutta. So Sir Francis was angry.

**C. Discuss and answer.**

**1. Which mode of transport did Fogg choose?**

At first, Fogg chose to go on foot to Allahabad. Then he purchased an elephant to take them to Allahabad.

**2. Did he hire Kiouni? Why?**

No, he did not hire Kiouni, but purchased it for 2000 pounds, because the owner of the elephant intended to make a big bargain and so refused to hire him.

**3. Why was the elephant owner happy with the deal?**

The elephant owner was happy with the deal because Mr. Fogg offered him 2000 pounds to purchase the elephant.

## Read and Understand

### A. Fill in the table

Problems Faced By Mr. Fogg And His Team	Solution
The train stopped in the middle of the forest.	The passengers must provide themselves a means of transport from Kholby to Allahabad.
They couldn't hire the elephant.	Mr. Fogg purchased it for 2000 pounds.
They were in need of an elephant driver.	A young man offered his service as a guide.

### B. Answer the questions briefly

#### 1. Who inhabited the jungles that the train passed through?

Snakes, tigers and elephants inhabited the jungles that the train passed through.

#### 2. What was the reaction of the inhabitants?

Snakes and tigers fled at the noise of the train. The elephants stood gazing with sad eyes at the train, as it passed.

#### 3. What did Mr. Fogg mean by, 'it was foreseen'?

Mr. Fogg meant that some difficulty or the other would sooner or later arise on his route.

#### 4. Describe the elephant driver in your own words.

The elephant driver was intelligent and a skilled young man. He covered the elephant's back with saddle-cloth. He attached seats on each of its side. He sat on the neck of the elephant and set out from the village with the three passengers.

### C. Think and Answer.

#### 1. What qualities of Mr. Phileas Fogg are highlighted in this extract?

Support your answer with suitable examples.

Mr. Phileas Fogg was a rich, English man. He was a member of the Reform Club of London. He orders his life precisely by the clock and makes a bet with fellow club members that he can travel around the world in 80 days. He travels

with his French servant Passepartout. He is a precise and intelligent man. He is perfect in his manners and is very punctual as well as particular about what he wants. This is evident in this extract, when he is determined to travel to Allahabad as planned. He even goes to the extent of purchasing an elephant for 2000 pounds to continue his travel to Allahabad. These qualities of Mr: Fogg are highlighted in his extract.

Vocabulary

**D. Fill in the blanks with correct travel words.**

(Schedule, reach, book, railway, pack, board)

To make travel convenient, we must book tickets well in advance. Then we have to Pack our things and schedule our trip. We have to reach the railway station in time and board the train in order to reach our destination.

**E. Match the phrasal verbs with their meanings.**

Section - A	Section - B
Phrasal verbs	Meaning
1. Set out	b) to begin a journey
2. Pick up	f) to get someone from a place
3. get away	a) to go somewhere for a short break or holiday
4. see off	e) to go to the station to say good bye to someone
5. get into	c) to enter a bus, a train or a plane
6. get off	d) to leave a bus, a train or a plane

**F. Dictionary Task**

Refer to a dictionary. Find the meaning of the following words and write them down.

- ❖ journey - The act of travelling from one place to another.
- ❖ picnic - a trip or excursion to the country, seaside etc, on which people bring food to be eaten in the open air
- ❖ pilgrimaga - a religious journey.
- ❖ tour - a journey for pleasure in which several places are visited
- ❖ vacation - holiday.
- ❖ excursion - a short journey or trip.

**G. Listen to the teacher reading the Weather forecast and complete the report.**

Name of the Cyclone is Gaja it may affect the places North Tamil Nadu and Puducherry Heavy rains are expected on November 14th and 15<sup>th</sup>. It is 880 km away from Nagapatinam.

**H. Your family has decided to go on a tour during the vacation. You are calling a travel agency and seeking information regarding package, places of visit, cost etc. Work in pairs and role play as a receptionist and a customer.**

Receptionist: Good morning. This is Sai Dwaraka Mai Travel Agency. How can I help you?

Customer : We would like to go to a tour to Shirdi temple. Can you give us the information regarding the package, places of visit and the cost for it.

Receptionist : Yes, Madam. We offer flight packages from Chennai to Shirdi at affordable prices.

Customer : Okay Sir, what are the places of visit over there?

Receptionist : We take you to places like Dwarkamai, Chavadi, Gurusthan, Sai Museum, Maruthi temple and Nandadeep.

Customer : Okay fine. We would like to book tickets for the tour, as we would like to go any day between 23rd November and 27th November. What is the cost for four people?

Receptionist: It costs Rs. 9,999/- per person. So the total amount for four people would be Rs. 39,996/-

Customer : Thank you Sir, I will get back to you immediately, after discussing with my family members.

Receptionist : Thank you for calling, Madam. Have a nice day.

## Grammar

**J. Look at the picture and complete the following.**



Nila told Miruthula that hotel was famous for masala idli. Miruthula said that the idly was soft and spongy. Nila said that it was delicious too. She also said that they had added Kashmiri chilli. Miruthula said very much.

### Writing

**K. Your friend is coming to your city / town to spend a week with you. He /she wants to visit some tourist places, and enjoy the special food items of the place. Prepare a two day itinerary for the visit.**

Day	Timing	Stopover	Activity	Mode of Transport
Day 1 Sunday	8.00 am	Market <u>T.Nagar</u>	Go shopping for <u>purchasing clothes/curios</u>	Auto <u>richshaw</u>
	9.00 am	Fab Hotel Blossom	Breakfast	Auto
	10.00am	Sri Balaji Temple	Visit & do offerings	Auto
	12 noon	Fab Hotel Blossom	Rest	
Day 2 Monday	8.00 am	Santhome Cathedral	Visit	Auto
	9.00 am	Kapaleeshwar Temple	Visit & do offerings	Auto
	10.00am	Arignar Anna	Go sight seeing	Auto

		Zoological Park		
	1.00am	Back Home	Lunch & Rest	Auto

### Creative Writing

L. You are waiting to board a train in a railway station. The train is delayed by an hour. Write a paragraph about the crowded scene in the railway station based on your observation.

Vendors	Tea vendors	Shops	Families	Piles of luggage
porters	trolley	Scroll board	announcement	Ticket counter queue

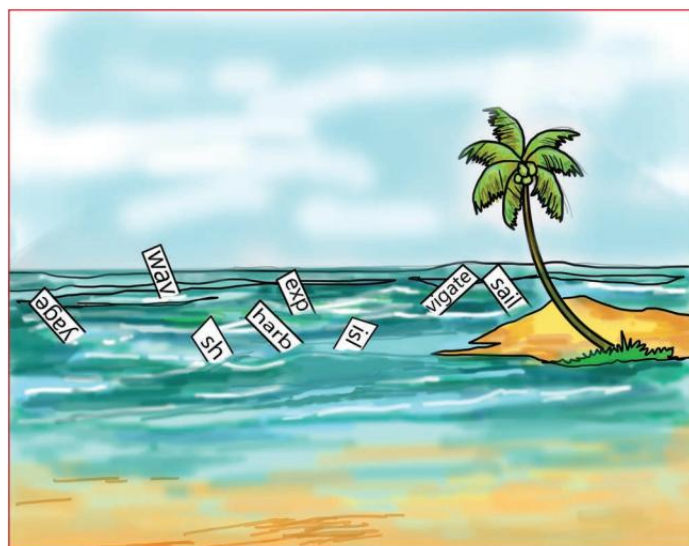
I was waiting to board a train at a railway station. The train was delayed by an hour. A lot of families were waiting eagerly for the announcement of the arrival of the train. Some of the porters were carrying the luggage of the passengers. Piles of luggage were seen all over. There were fruit vendors, tea vendors and other shops selling water, milk and snacks. By the ticket counter, there was a queue, waiting to buy tickets. The scroll board was displaying the necessary information for the passengers. The porters were also using trolleys to carry the luggage.



### (POEM) - SEA FEVER

#### A. Read and Understand

1. Voyage
2. Vaves
3. Island
4. Navigate
5. Sailor
6. Explore
7. Harbour
8. Shore



## B. Choose the best answer

1. The title of the poem 'Sea Fever' means \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) flu fever  
**(b) the poet's deep wish to be at sea**  
(c) the poet's fear of the sea
2. The poet asks for \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) a fishing net                      (b) a big boat                      **(c) a tall ship**
3. Sea Fever Questions Answers. The poet wants to lead a life at sea like \_\_\_\_\_  
**(a) the gulls and whales**  
(b) the penguins and sharks  
(c) the pelicans and dolphins

## C. Read the lines and answer the questions.

1. I must go down to the sea again, to the lonely sea and the sky  
Where does the poet want to go?

The poet wants to go to the sea again.

2. And the wheel's kick and the wind's song and the white sail's shaking  
What according to the poet are the pleasures of sailing?

Will Watching from the shore, the wind's song, the ship's steering wheel and the shaking of the sail in the breeze are the pleasures of sailing.

3. And all I ask is a windy day with the white clouds flying  
Why does the poet ask for a windy day?

The poet asks for a windy day, as it will blow away the thick white clouds from the sky and take the sail forward throughout the day.

4. And all I ask is a merry yarn from a laughing fellow rover.  
What kind of human company does the poet want?

The poet wants the company of a fellow sailor or wanderer like him.

5. And quiet sleep and a sweet dream when the long trick's over  
What does the poet want to do after his voyage is over?

The poet wants to sleep soundly with pleasant dreams at the end of his long shift on watch.

## D. Poem Appreciation

1. Fill in the blanks with correct rhyming words from the poem.

sky - by, knife - life, rover - over.

2. Quote the line that has been repeated in the poem.

"I must go down to the seas again".

3. Write the poetic device which is used in the line below.

And a grey mist on the sea's face Imagery and personification.

4. What poetic device is used for the comparison in the below line?

Where the wind's like a whetted life Simile.

E. The poem has many visual and sound images. Complete the table with examples from the poem. The first one has been done for you.

Visual images	Sound images
Wheels kick	Wind s song
white sail's shaking	wild call
grey dawn	clear call
running tide	windy day
White clouds flying	
blown spume	
sea - gulls crying	

## ( SUPPLEMENTARY ) SINDBSD - MY FIRST VOYAGE

A. Match the following.

- |                       |   |                   |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------|
| 1. green island       | - | (b) huge fish     |
| 2. Mihrjan            | - | (c) the king      |
| 3. Sindbad the Sailor | - | (d) voyager       |
| 4. Sindbad the Porter | - | (e) poor listener |
| 5. slaves             | - | (a) in the cave   |

B. Choose the correct options from the ones.

- Sindbad decided to sail to the Persian Gulf ( Persian Gulf / Mexican Gulf) with some goods.
- He was being tossed by powerful waves and was thrown on an /a island. (island / peninsula)



3. The men in the cave were all slaves (ministers/slaves) of the king.
4. The king was a noble and kind (noble and kind/mean and cruel) person.
5. The king gave many valuable gifts (gifts/rewards) to Sindbad.

**C. Read the passage and answer the questions given below.**

One day, when I was standing on the port, I saw a ship approaching the port. It was the same ship, which had sailed further after leaving me behind, struggling in the sea. When the captain of the ship saw me, he was greatly surprised to find me alive. He and the other crew members hugged me with happiness. The captain handed over my goods to me, which had been left on the ship.

1. Where was he standing?

He was standing on the port.

2. What did he see?

He saw a ship approaching the port.

3. Whom did he meet on the ship and why was the person surprised?

He met the captain on the ship. The person was surprised to find him alive.

4. What did he get back from the captain?

He got back his goods from the captain.

**D. Rearrange the following sentences in the correct order.**

1. My father was a rich merchant.
2. Our group sailed from one country to another, selling goods.
3. I was being tossed by the frequent powerful waves.
4. I narrated my tale of sufferings and hardships to the king.
5. I longed to go back home.
6. I saw the same ship approaching the port.
7. Sindbad completed the tale of his voyage.
8. He presented the purse full of gold coins.

**E. Work in pairs and write the answers.**

1. Describe the island that the ship's crew found.

One day, they were on board. They saw a beautiful small green island. Just

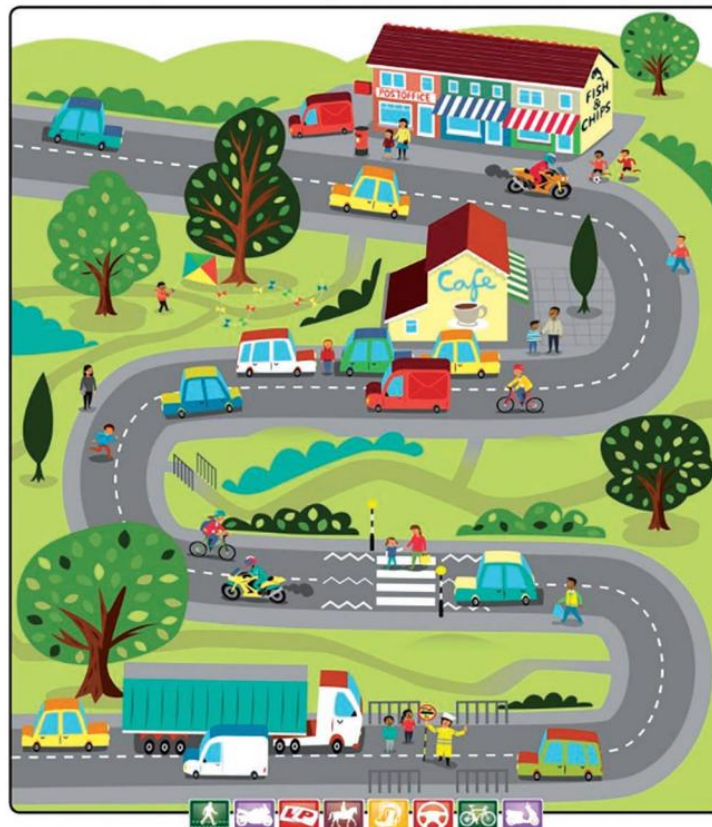
to have some fun, they all got down on it. As soon as they lit the fire for cooking, they got a jerk. The island was trembling. It was not an island. It was the back of a huge animal. It got disturbed when the fire was lit on his back.

## 2. Did Sindbad, the porter, enjoy his meeting with Sindbad the sailor? Why?

Yes, Sindbad the porter enjoyed his meeting with Sindbad, the sailor. He was listening to the amazing tale of Sindbad with all wonder. The rich Sindbad bade him good bye and asked him to come the next day to hear the tale of his new voyage. He presented him a purse full of gold coins. The unexpected riches overjoyed Sindbad, the porter. He thanked him and went home.

## G. Road Safety

Road safety rules make our driving a better experience. As a responsible citizen we ought to obey traffic rules and pay attention to the road signs. Look at the picture. Circle the dangerous actions of pedestrians on or near the road. Discuss in groups and write down the Pedestrians Road Safety Rules.



❖ Cross the road after looking at both ways-

- ❖ Don't run on the streets and road
- ❖ Read and Interpret road safety signs-
- ❖ While walking, use only the sidewalks-
- ❖ Cross the road only at Zebra crossing-
- ❖ Ensure bicycle safety-

**H. A set of words are given below. Categorize it under the appropriate columns.**

Crew	Compartment	Engine driver	Helmsman	Porter
TTE	Anchor	Captain	Platform	Visa
pilot	Passport	deck	Air hostess	Cockpit

Airport	Railway station	Harbour
Pilot	Engine driver	Crew
Passport	Compartment	Anchor
Air Hostess	TIE	Deck
Visa	Platform	Helmsman
Cockpit	Porter	Captain

