

Unit 2

The Wind on Haunted Hill

Questions and Answers

Warm Up

1. Find the hidden words in the pictures. One has been done for you.



1. CAT _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

1. Cat
2. Vase
3. Bag
4. Table
5. Mirror

2. Solve these riddles.

S. No	Question (Who am I?)	Answer
1	I have a face but no eyes, hands but no arms.	
2	I sit in a corner while travelling around the world.	
3	I go up when rain comes down.	
4	I have a head and a tail but no body.	

Answer:

S.NO	Question (Who am I?)	Answer
1.	I have a face but no eyes, hands but no arms.	Clock
2.	I sit in a corner while travelling around the world.	Stamp
3.	I go up when rain comes down.	Umbrella
4.	I have a head and a tail but no body.	Coin

Section - I

Textual Exercise (Text Book Page No. 112)

Work in pairs. Read the story above and find the answers to these questions.

1. What were the children doing beside the stone wall?

Answer:

The children were spreading the clothes out to dry beside the stone wall.

2. What did Suresh ask Usha? Why?

Answer:

Suresh asked Usha that won't she be afraid of coming back to the village all alone. Because there were ghosts on the haunted hill.

3. Who told the children the story about the ghosts on Haunted Hill?

Answer:

The grandfather told the children the story about the ghosts on Haunted Hill.

4. What did Usha see while walking to the bazaar?

Answer:

Usha saw wild flowers, a wild plum tree, lizards, and a whistling-thrush while walking to the bazaar.

Section - II

Textual Exercise (Text Book Page No. 115)

Two scary events from this section are listed here. Write the events that take place in between in the correct order.

The black clouds were threatening.

The ghostly figures were staring back.

Answer:

The black clouds were threatening.

A sudden flash of lightning lit up the hill.

Usha touched the soft furry cat and gave a startled cry.

Thunder and lightning boomed one after another.

The ghostly figures were staring back.

Section - III

Textual Exercise (Text Book Page No. 118)

Discuss with your partner and complete the table.

S.No.	Question	Who asked this?	Who answered?	What was the answer?
1.	Shall we run back together?			
2.	Can you see something behind the wall?			
3.	Who said good bye?			
4.	Was it just the wind?			

Answer:

S.No	Question	Who asked this?	Who answered?	What was the answer?
1.	Shall we run back together?	Usha	Binya	We'll have to wait.
2.	Can you see something behind the wall?	Usha	Suresh	I can't see anything
3.	Who said good bye?	Usha	Suresh	Not I.
4.	Was it just the wind?	Usha	No one	-

Read and Understand (Text Book Page No. 119)

A. Choose the most appropriate option.

1. The wind hurried and passed through the

- a) apples and mangoes
- b) pines and deodars
- c) berries and cherries

Answer:

- b) pines and deodars

2. The market was away from the village.

- a) 3 miles
- b) 7 miles
- c) 11 miles

Answer:

- a) 3 miles

3. Usha went to visit her house after shopping in the market.

- a) grandfather's
- b) aunt's
- c) cousin's

Answer:

- b) aunt's

4. Usha took shelter in the

- a) ruins
- b) caves
- c) dens

Answer:

- a) ruins

5. At dawn, the began to sing.

- a) cuckoo
- b) linnnet
- c) thrush

Answer:

- c) thrush

B. Think and answer.

1. Why was it a struggle for the children to dry their clothes?

Answer:

It was a struggle for the children to dry their clothes because there was always a wind - which blew away the clothes.

2. What story did grandfather tell them about the haunted hill?

Answer:

The grandfather told them about the story of the ghosts on the haunted hill.

3. What did Usha buy in the market? List them.

Answer:

Usha bought soap, matches, spices, sugar, a new pipe stem for grandfather's hookah, an exercise book and marbles for Suresh, and a necklace for herself.

4. What scared Usha during the dark rainy night?

Answer:

When Usha moved against the stones sideways she touched a soft and furry cat. Meanwhile, she gave a frightened cry and took her hand away. This made Usha to scare in the dark rainy night.

5. How did the children react when they met each other at the ruins?

Answer:

When the children met each other at the ruins they fell into each other's arms, they were surprised and relieved, that all they could do was laugh and giggle and repeat each other's names.

C. Discuss in class.

“Was it just the wind?”- What do you think Usha thought it was? Why?

Answer:

Usha did not believe that it was not just the wind because she had already heard about the story of the ghosts in the haunted hill from her grandfather. While returning to the village from the bazaar, she saw two small children in ghostly figures at the disused fireplace. And even she was stared by those ghostly figures staring behind her. In the opinion of Usha it was not just the wind, but the disembodied voice of those ghostly figures.

Vocabulary

D. Unscramble the sound - describing words from the text. One has been done for you. (Text Book Page No. 120)

E.g. igeglg - giggle

1. noam - moan
2. mureb - rumble
3. lowh - howl
4. mobo - boom
5. cohe - echo
6. nogra - groan

E. The Detective's Dictionary

Choose the correct word from the box and fill in the blanks.

evidence	clue	detective	suspect	victim
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1. A is someone who investigates a crime.

Answer:

detective

2. A is someone who suffers the effect of a crime.

Answer:

victim

3. Someone who might have committed a crime is a

Answer:

suspect

4. A is an idea or fact that helps us solve a mystery.

Answer:

clue

5. An is the information we have that proves us that something is true.

Answer:

evidence

Listening (Text Book Page No. 121)

F. Listen to the news report carefully and complete the following.

1. Name of the place

Answer:

Gollamudi in Andhra Pradesh

2. What happened?

Answer:

It rained heavily

3. What time of day did it happen?

Answer:

Morning

4. What did the people say?

Answer:

It was not a usual fish found there

5. What do strong winds and gales carry?

Answer:

It carried fish and sea animals

Speaking (Text Book Page No. 121)

G. Work in pairs.

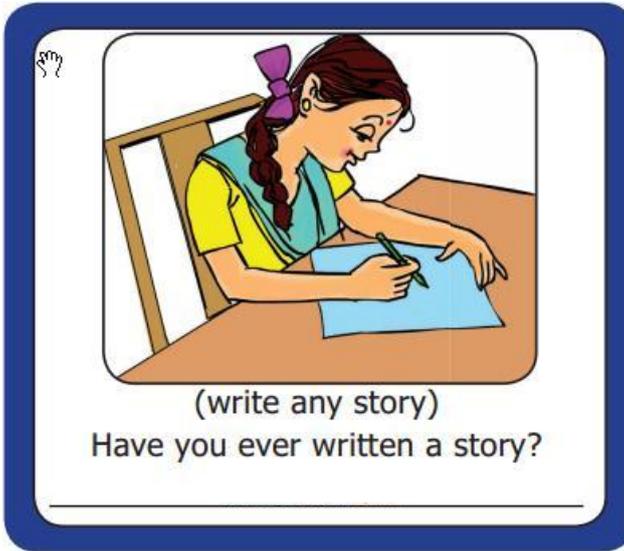
Have you ever been scared? What happened? How did you feel? Talk about it in one or two sentences with your friend. Repeat it to the class.

Answer:

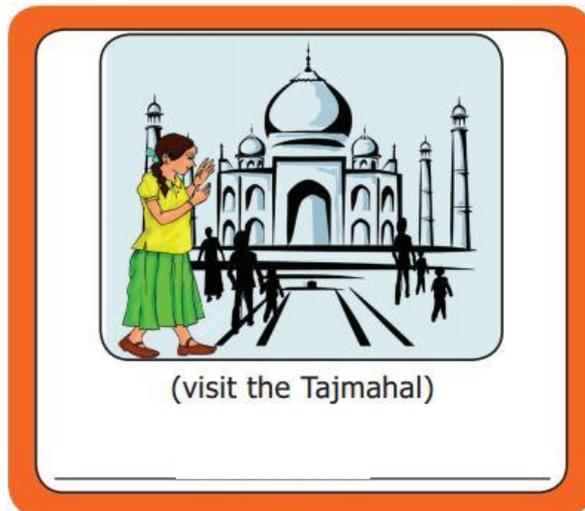
Yes, I have been scared. I am scared of clowns. Although they are very funny their painted face is very creepy and scary to me.

USE GRAMMAR (Text Book Page No. 123)

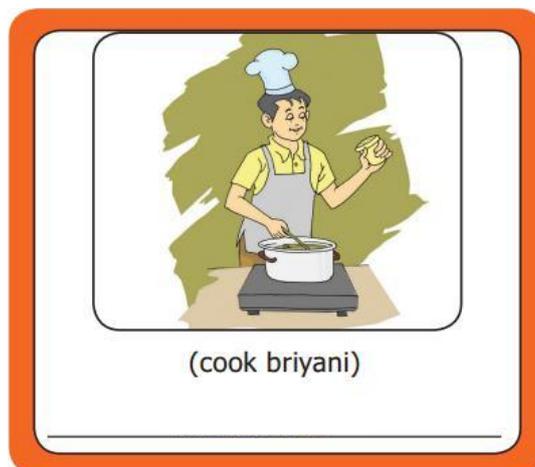
H. Frame five questions using the picture clues. Begin with "Have you ever"



Eg. Have you ever written a story?



1. Have you ever visited the Tajmahal?





(watch a horror film)

3. Have you ever watched a horror film?



(play Ten pin bowling)

4. Have you ever played Ten-pin bowling?



(go swimming)

5. Have you ever gone swimming?

I. Fill in the blanks with the past perfect tense with the help of the words given in the brackets.

1. When Usha looked out of the window dark clouds (gather) over the mountains.

Answer:
had gathered

2. She had no umbrella with her; the weather (seem) so fine just a few hours ago.

Answer:
had seemed

3. All was dark again. Night (fall).

Answer:
had fallen

4. She ran towards the big gap in the wall through which she (enter).

Answer:
had entered

5. Usha looked back at the ruins. The sun (come) up and was touching the top of the walls.

Answer:
had come

J. Read this text and fill in the blanks with future tenses.



India moves to Chennai to join an IAS coaching class. Tomorrow by this time, she will have joined (join) the class. She will be undergoing (undergo) training till next year. She will have worked (work) very hard by the time she comes home. Her parents will be worrying (worry) about her health all the time. They will have written (write) many letters by the time she comes home. They will be very happy when Iniya **becomes** an IAS officer.

Writing (Text Book Page No. 125)

K. Nalan's grandfather showed him an old treasure trunk. A road map was stuck on the trunk. It showed the spot where a key was hidden. Look at the road map and write five directions to reach the spot where the key is hidden. Discuss with your partner and compare your directions with those of your classmates.



Answer:

1. Go straight and turn left and reach the hills.
2. Turn right and walk across the hills.
3. Then you will reach a pond and take right and walk along the road.
4. Turn left and walk straight and again turn right.
5. Walk down the road and you will find the keys between the rocks.

Creative Writing (Text Book Page No. 125)

Venba was walking along the beach. When she saw a beautiful green perfume bottle that had been washed up on the shore she bent down and picked it up. There was something inside the bottle and it was calling her. When she opened the bottle....?!!!

L. Imagine you are Venba and act the situations in the class. Then conclude this mysterious story in your own words. Write at least five or six sentences with the help of the words given in the box.

Tiny	Sing	Talk	Bird	Free	Fly	Gift	Thank
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Poem 2

The Listeners

Questions and Answers

Warm Up (Text Book Page No. 102)

You are walking into a grove at 12 noon. You feel that somebody is following you. When you look behind, nobody is there. How would you feel? What would you do? Share it in the class.

Answer:

While walking at 12 noon in a grove, I would feel anxious and little bit scary. If I feel that some-one else is following me I would pray God to protect me from those evil spirits.

Textual Exercise

B. Find a line from the poem to match the pictures given below and write it in the blank.



And his horse in the silence k



That dwelt in the lone house then



And he smote upon the door again a second time



champed the grasses



But only a host of phantom listeners



Where he stood perplexed and still

C. Read the statements and say True or False. Quote lines from the poem to support your answer. (Text Book Page No. 128)

S. No.	Statement	True or False	Quote
1.	The Traveller came at noon.		
2.	The house was situated in the forest.		
3.	There were ghostly listeners inside the house.	<input type="text"/>	
4.	The Traveller came to the house by bicycle.		
5.	The phantoms answered and asked the traveller to go away.		

Answer:

S.NO	Statement	True or False	Quote
1.	The Traveller came at noon.	False	Knocking on the moonlit door;
2.	The house was situated in the forest.	True	Of the forests' ferny floor:
3.	There were ghostly listeners inside the house.	True	But only a host of phantom listeners.
4.	The Traveller came to the house by bicycle.	False	And his horse in the silence champed the grasses
5.	The phantoms answered and asked the traveller to go away.	False	But no one descended to the Traveller:

D. Answer the following questions.

1. Who is the speaker?

Answer:

The poet is the speaker.

2. What was the horse doing?

Answer:

The horse was biting and chewing the grass noisily.

3. Who were the listeners?

Answer:

A host of phantoms were the listeners.

4. How did the Traveller feel when nobody answered?

Answer:

The Traveller felt confused and stood still when nobody answered him.

5. What kind of feeling does the poem create?

Answer:

The poem creates a mystical feeling.

E. Work in pairs and answer the questions given below.

1. Of the forest's ferny floor.
Pick out the words alliterated.
forest's – ferny – floor

2. Pick out the rhyming words from the poem.
head – said sill – still then – men hall – call

3. Write the words which are used to create a sense of mystery.
no one descended
no head
a host of phantom listeners quiet of the moonlight dark stair air stirred and shaken

WRITING (Text Book Page No. 128)

F. Discuss in groups. Draw the haunted house described in the poem and write a paragraph about it in your own words.

The haunted house is at the top of the hill. There is no sign of human habitation in and around there. The bats were hovering above the house in the moonlight. The trees around the house are withered and bare. The house is modernized, it is really terrific to look at. As in the poem, this house may have been occupied by the ghosts.

Additional Appreciation Questions Answers

1. **And he smote upon the door again a second time.
Is there anybody here? he said.**
a) **What did the poet do?**

Answer:

He knocked on the door loudly to call someone from the house.

b) **What did he say?**

Answer:

He asked whether anybody is there or not.

2. **No head form the leaf-fringed sill Leaned over and looked into his grey eyes,
Where he stood perplexed and still. .**

a) **Did the poet get any response from the house?**

Answer:

No, he got no response from the house.

b) Pick-out rhyming words in the above lines.

Answer:

Sill – Still.

c) How did the poet stand when there was no response?

Answer:

The poet stood confused and unmoved.

3. But only a host of phantom listeners That dwelt in the lone house then

a) In the opinion of the poet who dwelt in the lone house?

Answer:

The poet felt that the lone house is surrounded by a host of ghost listeners.

Chapter 2

The Red-Headed League

Text Book Back Questions and Answers

Textual Exercise (Text Book Page No. 133)

A. Say whether the following statements are 'True' or 'False'.

1. Photography was Vincent Spaulding's hobby.

Answer:

False

2. Mr. Ross did not want to hire Mr. Wilson.

Answer:

False

3. Mr. Wilson worked for Mr. Ross for six weeks.

Answer:

False

4. Mr. Jones was a lawyer.

Answer:

False

5. Spaulding dug a tunnel from the cellar of the shop to the jewellery shop.

Answer:

False

B. Complete the table based on the information from the text.

S. No	Holmes' Findings	Clues
1	Mr. Holmes found the tunnel.	
2	Mr. Spaulding dug the tunnel.	
3	The tunnel was made to get into the bank's strong room. <input type="text"/>	
4	Spaulding could be the thief.	

Answer:

S.No	Holme's Findings	Clues
1.	Mr. Holmes found the tunnel.	Cellar was behind the shop.
2.	Mr. Spaulding dug the tunnel.	Mr. Spaulding's trousers were dirty.
3.	The tunnel was made to get into the bank's strong room.	The Bank is at the back of the shop.
4.	Spaulding could be the thief.	Happy to work for half wages.

C. Answer the following questions.

1. Why did Jabez Wilson meet Mr. Holmes?

Answer:

Jabez Wilson was disturbed very much as someone had been playing a practical joke on him. He met Holmes to find a solution to his problem.

2. Describe Vincent Spaulding.

Answer:

Vincent Spaulding is the assistant of Wilson. He is also known as John Clay. He works in Wilson's pawnshop for half-wage in order to rob the bank by making a tunnel from the pawnshop to the stoned floor of the Bank. Finally, he is caught by Mr. Holmes.

3. Why did Spaulding spend a lot of time in the cellar?

Answer:

Spaulding spent a lot of time in the cellar to make a tunnel connecting the pawnshop of Mr. Wilson and the bank.

4. Why was Mr. Wilson hired to copy the Encyclopaedia?

Answer:

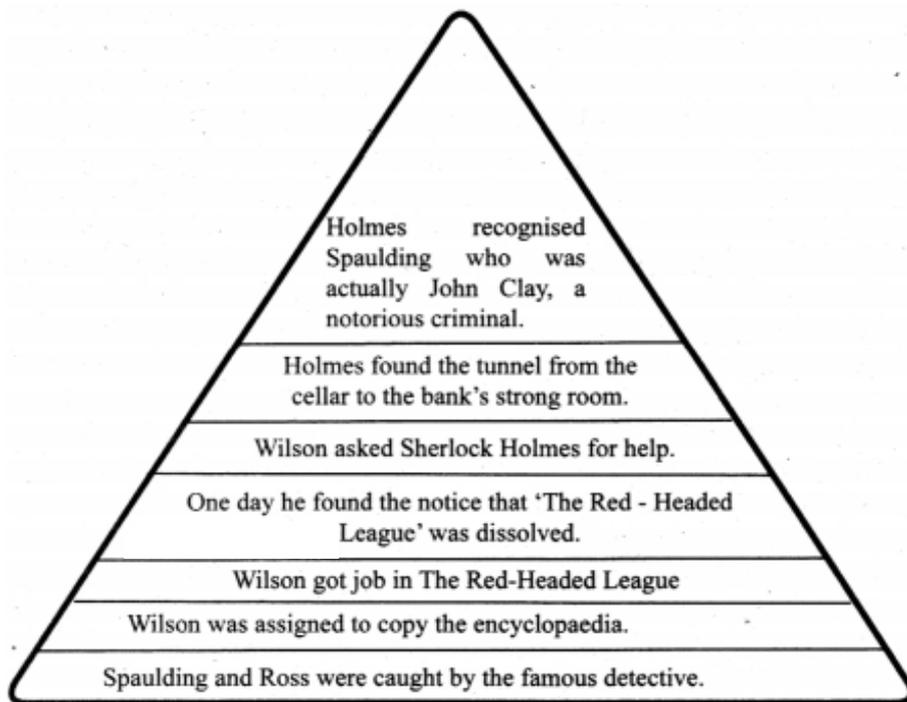
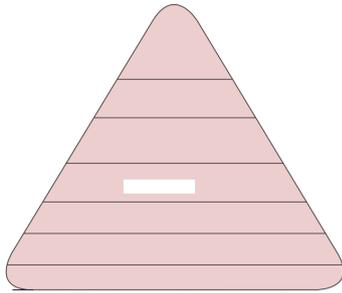
Wilson was hired to copy the Encyclopaedia because the men with red hair could apply to that job.

5. How did Holmes' team catch the thieves?

Answer:

Holmes suspected that there was a cellar at the back of the pawn shop connecting to the Bank room. He along with Jones waited at the Bank room to catch the thief red-handed when they came through the stoned floor.

D. Based on your reading of the text complete the pyramid by arranging the sequence in the correct order.



- Holmes found the tunnel from the cellar to the bank's strong room.
- Wilson was assigned to copy the encyclopedia.
- Wilson asked Sherlock Holmes for help.
- Wilson got the job in The Red-Headed League.
- Spaulding and Ross were caught by the famous detective.
- One day he found the notice that 'The Red-Headed League' was dissolved.
- Holmes recognised Spaulding who was actually John Clay, a notorious criminal.

PROJECT

E. Here is the sample of an advertisement of a circus.

Imagine you have visited a Mystery Theme Park you have come across. Make

an eye-catching advertisement with the help of the given clues.
A mirror maze Scary faces A ghostly figure A pitch dark room

Are you ready to discover the mysterious world? Face your fears @ The Mystery Theme Park Special features:



- A mirror maze
- Scary faces
- eerie sounds
- A ghostly figure
- A pitch dark room

**Hurry up! Adventurous journey is awaiting for you! Don't miss the chance!
Enjoy your moments!**

Connecting to Self

F. Observe the pictures carefully and write your answers.

 <p>One day your parents had gone for a wedding. You are all alone at home. Suddenly at midnight, someone knocks at the door. What will you do?</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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I will immediately call my neighbours or ring to my parents if I feel very anxious.

 <p>While you are coming to school, if a stranger gives you a chocolate what will you do?</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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I will never get chocolates from strange persons. I will simply ignore and move at once.

STEP TO SUCCESS

G. Just like the examples, use the key to fill in the blanks and break the codes.

	1	2	3	4	5
1	A	B	C	D	E
2	F	G	H	I	J
3	K	L	M	N	O
4	P	Q	R	S	T
5	U	V	W	X	Y
6	Z	.	,	?	

Example:

33	55	44	45	15	43	55
M	Y	S	T	E	R	Y

1.	44	15	13	43	15	45
2.	22	23	35	44	45	
3.	45	43	24	13	31	
4.	43	24	14	14	32	15
5.	41	51	61	61	32	15

Answer:

33	55	44	45	15	43	55
M	Y	S	T	E	R	Y

1.	44	15	13	43	15	45
	S	E	C	R	E	T
2	22	23	35	44	45	
	G	H	O	S	T	
3.	45	43	24	13	31	
	T	R	I	C	K	
4.	43	24	14	14	32	15
	R	S	D	D	L	E
5.	41	51	61	61	32	15
	P	U	Z	Z	L	E