

11-KABADDI



A kabaddi match is held in Jagatpur village every Saturday. A crowd has gathered outside Manik Kaka's house. He is the Gram Pradhan of the village. Meena who lives in the city has come to Jagatpur to meet her cousin, Ravi. Ravi takes her to the place where the match is going to be played.

Meena : What's going on here?

Ravi : A kabaddi match is going to be played here between the team of our village and the team of the neighbouring village Jasra.

Meena : Wow! It would be interesting.

Ravi : Oh yes!

Meena : Have you ever played kabaddi?

Ravi : Yes, this is my favourite game.

Meena : Tell me more about this game. How many players play kabaddi?

Ravi : Kabaddi is a game of two teams having seven players each.

Meena : Okay.

Ravi : One team becomes the raider and the other team the defender. They compete with each other and maintain the team spirit.

Meena : Look! The teams have arrived.

Ravi : Each team is on its own half of the court. The game is about to begin.

Meena : Which one is Jagatpur's team?

Ravi : Our team is on the right half of the court.

(The game starts. A player from Jagatpur team goes to the opposite team.)

Meena : What is he chanting?

Ravi : He is the raider. Holding his breath he is chanting 'Kabaddi', 'Kabaddi', 'Kabaddi',... .

Meena : What is he doing?

Ravi : He is trying to touch the players of the opposite team. If he touches any player of the opposite team and returns to his court,

without being caught by the defenders he will get a point.

Meena : What will happen if he fails to touch the defenders?

Ravi : He will get no point. If the defending team catches him, he will be out.

Meena : When will this game be over?

Ravi : It will be played for 40 minutes with a break of five minutes between two halves.

(The match went on smoothly. The Jagatpur team won the match.)

Meena : Thanks for bringing me here. It was a wonderful experience. I'll surely share it with my friends.

New Words

Word Pronunciation Meaning

neighbouring- नेबरिङ् - पड़ोस के

team spirit - टीम स्पिरिट् - सहयोग की भावना

arrived - अराइव्ड् - पहुँचा

chant - चान्ट् -शब्दों को अनेक बार बोलना

Comprehension Questions

1. Answer the following questions:

- a. Which game was being played in Jagatpur village?
- b. How many players are there in each team of kabaddi?
- c. Do you prefer being a raider or a defender. Why?
- d. Is it essential for a raider to chant 'Kabaddi', 'Kabaddi', 'Kabaddi',...? What do you say?
- e. What is the duration of a kabaddi match?

2. Write 'T' for true and 'F' for false statements:

- a. A kabaddi match is held in Shantipur village every Saturday. ()
- b. Manik kaka is the principal of the village. ()
- c. There are eleven players in each team. ()
- d. Meena lives in the city. ()
- e. The kabaddi match was played between Jagatpur and Jasra village. ()

Word Power

1. Fill in the blanks with the words given in the balls:

compete, team- spirit, favourite, caught, gathered

- a. He _____ his toys together.
- b. Virat Kohli is my _____ cricketer.
- c. I am too weak to _____ with you.
- d. The crowd cheered when he _____ the ball.
- e. Good _____ is must to win the match.

Language Practice

The person or thing about which we speak is called the Subject and what is said about the subject is called the Predicate.

Example: The little girl (subject) helped the poor man.
(predicate)

1. Divide each of the following sentences into subject and predicate :

Subject Predicate

- a. The earth moves around the sun. _
- b. The sheep are grazing in the field. ___
- c. Breakfast is the first meal of the day. ___
- d. The elephant has a long trunk. ____
- e. The boys are playing in the playground. ____

f. The monkey jumped upon the man. ____

g. Madhu will buy a bicycle. ____

Let's Know More

» Kabaddi is a team sport which is originated in Tamil Nadu, India. The word 'Kabaddi' has come from a Tamil word 'Kaipidi', which means 'holding hands'.

» Kabaddi received international exposure during the 1936 Berlin Olympics,

demonstrated by India.

» Kabaddi is the national sport of Bangladesh.

» It was only in 1995 that the first women's Kabaddi event was held in India.

» The Indian men's Kabaddi team has won the 2016 Kabaddi World Cup for the third time under the coach K. Bhaskaran.

» In the year 2014 the Pro Kabaddi League was introduced by Charu Sharma.

» Kabaddi is known by its regional names in different parts of the subcontinent-

Chedugudu in Andhra Pradesh

Hadudu in Bangladesh

Bhavatik in Maldives

Kauddi in Punjab

Hu-Tu-Tu in Western India

Hu-Du-Du in Eastern India

Chadakudu in South India

Activity

» Make a list of your favourite indoor and outdoor games. Name some famous players of that game and paste the pictures of those players in your notebook.

» In the picture of a classroom given below, a few things are missing. Draw them.

