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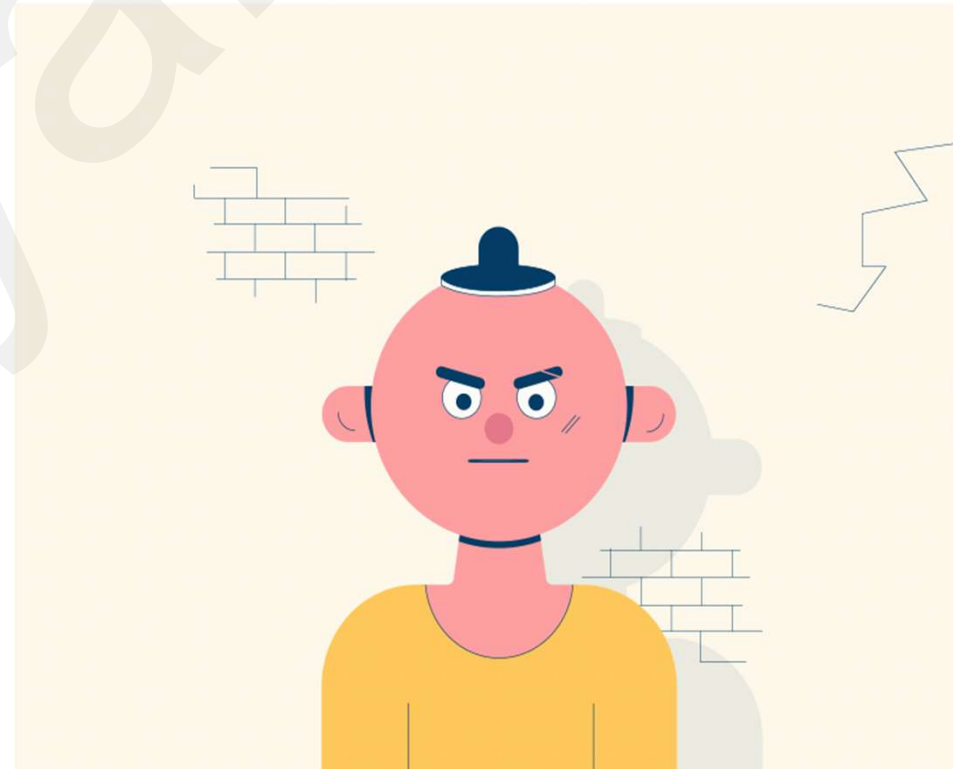
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THINKING ABOUT THE TEXT PG.38

II. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences:

QUESTION 1. Why was Kezia afraid of her father?

ANSWER: Kezia was afraid of her father because he used to talk to her harshly. He was in a habit of finding out her mistakes.



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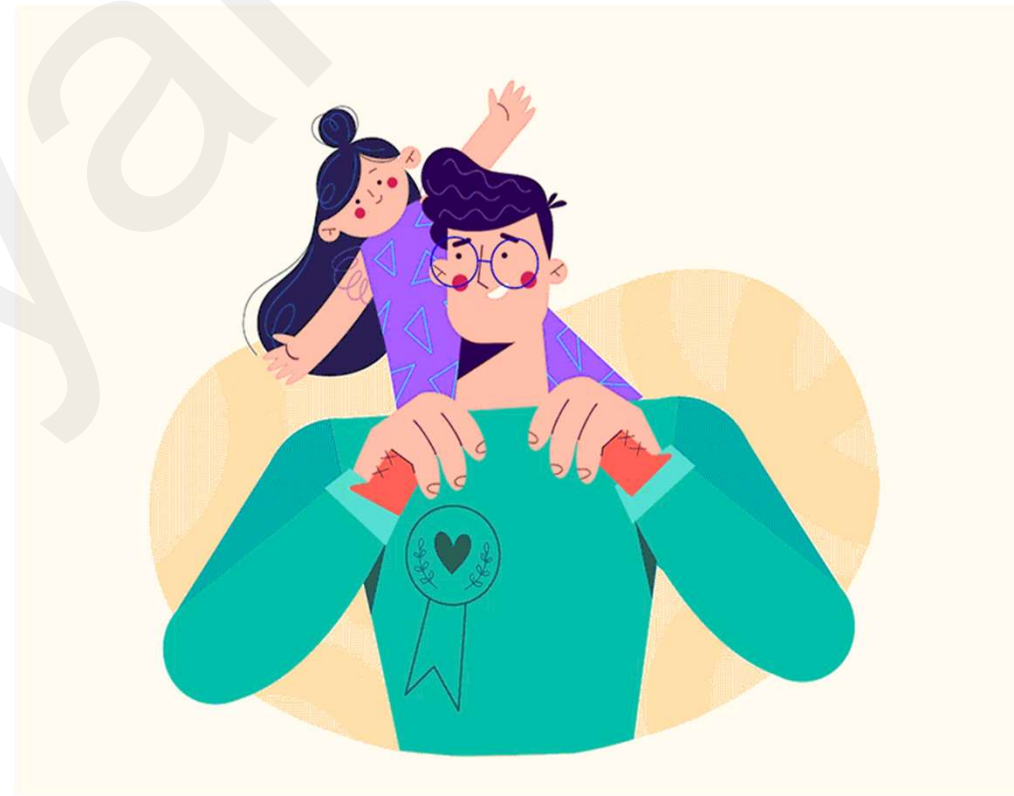
QUESTION 2. What was Kezia's father's routine?

1. before going to his office?

- He used to kiss Kezia casually before going to his office.

QUESTION 2. Who were the people in Kezia's family?

ANSWER: Kezia's family had her grandmother, mother and father.



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QUESTION 3. on Sundays?

ANSWER: On Sundays, he would take rest. He would enjoy sound sleep on the sofa.



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QUESTION 4. In what ways did Kezia's grandmother encourage her to get to know her father better?

ANSWER: Kezia's grandmother sent her to her father's room to have a nice talk with him. Besides, she asked her to make a gift of a pin-cushion on her father's birthday.



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III. Discuss these questions in class with your teacher and then write down your answers in two or three paragraphs each.

QUESTION 1. Kezia's efforts to please her father resulted in displeasing him very much. How did this happen?

ANSWER: Kezia's grandmother sent her to her father's room to have a nice talk with him. Besides, she asked her to make a gift of a pin-cushion on her father's birthday where she created it with her father's important paper.

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One day when her father looked for the papers, he did not find them. After some time, he came to know that Kezia had torn them into pieces to make a pin-cushion. He got infuriated and beat her with a ruler.



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QUESTION 2. Kezia decides that there are “different kinds of fathers”. What kind of father was Mr. Macdonald, and how was he different from Kezia’s father?

ANSWER: In Kezia’s opinion, her father was very harsh. He did not talk to her affectionately but rather he used to speak to her really strictly So she avoided him.



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Macdonald family lived next door to her house. One evening she saw him playing tag with his children. A baby was on his shoulders and two little girls were hanging on to his coat pockets. He was really friendly with his children.



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QUESTION 3. How does Kezia begin to see her father as a human being who needs her sympathy?

ANSWER: One night Kezia had a nightmare that made her terrified and she found out that her dad is sitting next to her. When he came to know about her nightmare, he blew out the candle, bent down and caught up the child in his arms.



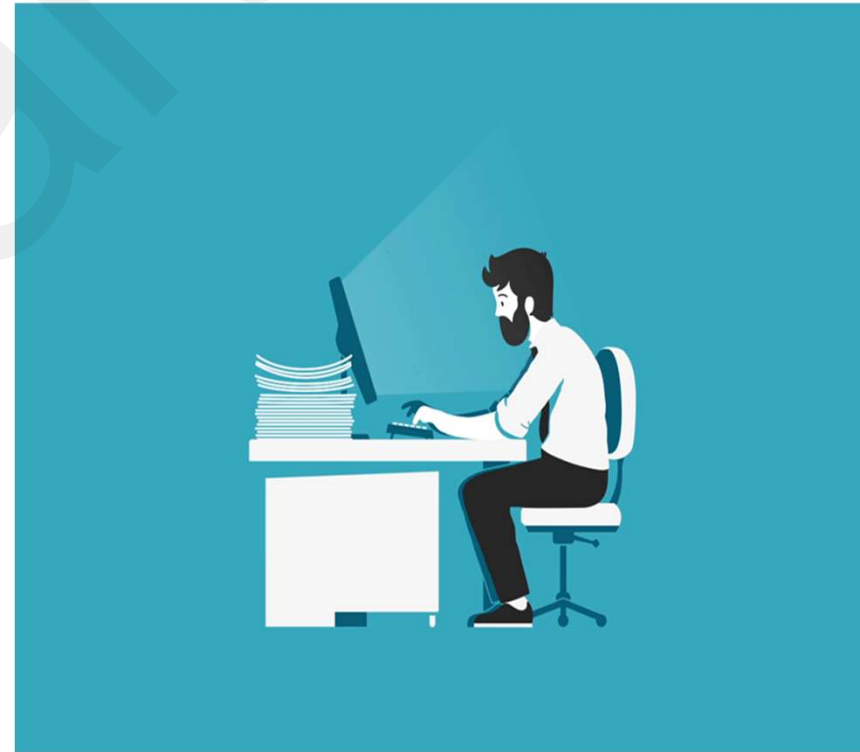
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He laid her on the bed and pulled the covers up around her. Apart from this, he lay down beside her. Now she felt comfortable and was asleep without any fear.

Now, Kezia realized that her father was not as harsh as she thought. She realized that her father had to work all day long and got so tired that he could not play with her.



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Thinking about language (Page 38)

I. Look at the following sentence.

QUESTION 1. Use an appropriate word from the synonyms given above in the following sentences. Clues are given in brackets.

1. She was by the news of her brother's wedding, (very pleased)

2. I was to be invited to the party. (extremely pleased and excited about)

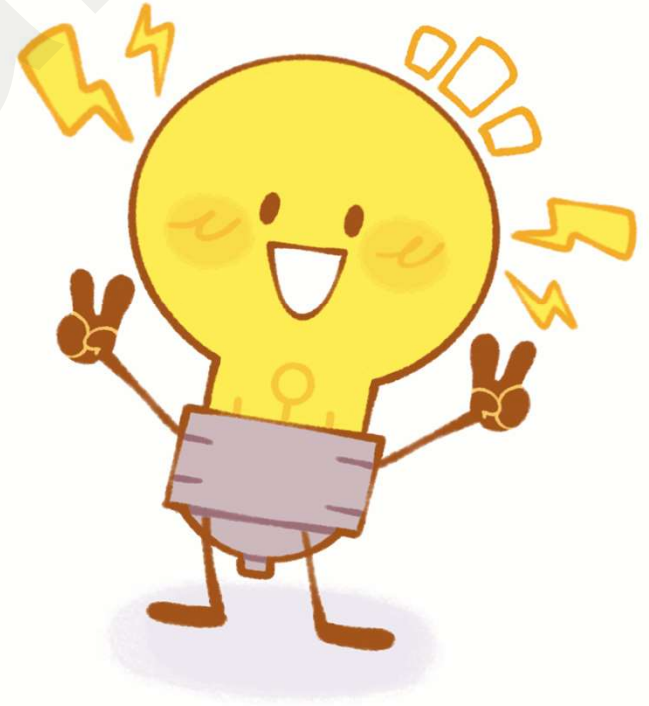
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3. She was at the birth of her granddaughter, (extremely happy)

4. The coach was with his performance, (satisfied about)

5. She was very with her results. (happy about something that has happened)



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ANSWER:

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2. delighted,
3. overjoyed,
4. pleased,
5. happy.



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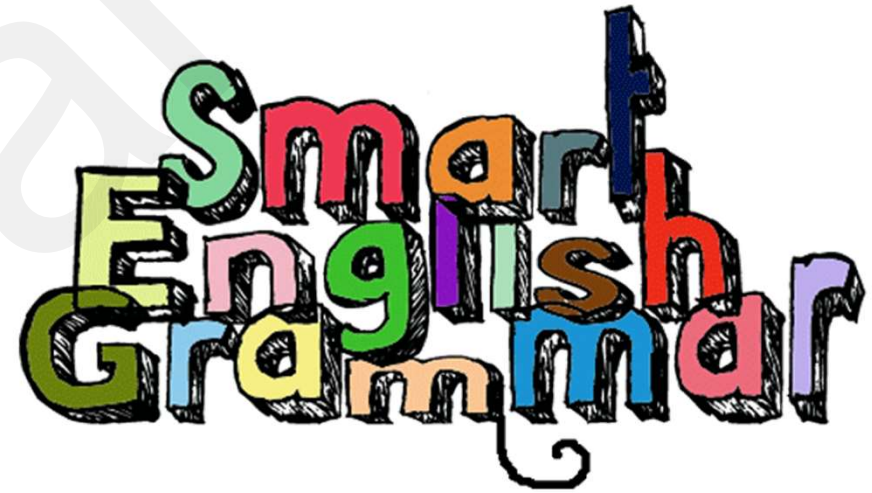
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QUESTION 2. Study the use of the word big in the following sentence:

He was so big—his hands and his neck, especially his mouth...
Here, big means large in size.

1. You are a big girl now. older
2. Today you are going to take the biggest decision of your career

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3. Their project is full of big ideas

.....

4. Cricket is a big game in our country.....

**5. I am a big fan of Lata
Mangeshkar**

**6. You have to cook a bit more as my
friend is a big eater**

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ANSWERS:

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1. most important,
2. great,
3. very popular,
4. great,
5. great,
6. very affectionate.

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II. Verbs of Reporting

QUESTION 1. Underline the verbs of reporting in the following sentences.

1. He says he will enjoy the ride.
2. Father mentioned that he was going on a holiday.
3. No one told us that the shop was closed.

VERB

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4. He answered that the price would go up.
5. I wondered why he was screaming.
6. Ben told her to wake him up.
7. Ratan apologized for coming late to the party.

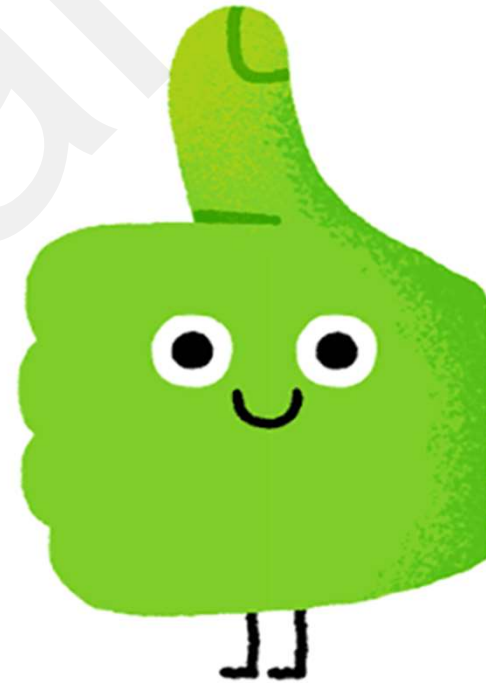
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ANSWERS:

1. says,
2. mentioned,
3. told,
4. answered,
5. wondered,
6. told,
7. apologized



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QUESTION 2. Some verbs of reporting are given in the box.

Choose the appropriate verbs and fill in the blanks in the following sentences :

were complaining, shouted, replied, remarked, ordered, suggested

1. "I am not afraid" , the woman.

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2. “Leave me alone,” my mother.....

3. The children that the roads were crowded and noisy.

4. “Perhaps he isn’t a bad sort of a chap after all”, the master.

5. “Let’s go and look at the school ground”, the sports teacher.

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6. The traffic police all the passers- by to keep off the road.

ANSWERS:

1. remarked,
2. shouted,
3. were complaining,
4. replied,
5. suggested,
6. ordered

