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A Kabaddi Match

A. Warmer

- (i) Which is your favourite game? When do you play it ? How much time do you spend playing it? Have you ever won any medal?

Kabaddi ! Kabaddi! Kabaddi ! Raghu walked into Rampur territory in the other half. The players of Rampur team tried to catch him. They came around him. But Raghu was careful. He moved cautiously. Mangla moved behind him. He wanted to catch him by his waist. But Raghu ducked. Mangla could only touch him. He could not hold Raghu. The latter went quickly in his own territory-quite safe. The supporters of the Chainpur team were delighted. Mangla was out. He had to wait till a player of the Chainpur team was out.

Now it was turn of the Rampur players to walk into the Chainpur territory. Aslam took the charge. “Touch at least two players”, the Rampur supporters demanded. Aslam did not disappoint them. He touched Sheru and quickly went back to the territory. Sheru was out. Mangla was back into the game.

After an hour, all the players of the Chainpur team were out,

except Raghu. The Chainpur supporters wanted him to stay and win the match. Raghu silently walked into the Rampur half. The Rampur players moved back. They were tempting Raghu to come deep inside their territory. 'You should not get tempted', the Chainpur supporters warned him. 'You should play safely', they added. Raghu nodded in appreciation. He knew that the Rampur players wanted to capture him and thus win the match. 'I've to touch them all and go back safely', Raghu said to himself. He moved ahead. The Rampur players encircled him. They were sure to capture Raghu. Harish caught both his legs; Raghu fell down. The others also fell over him. They were forcing him to say- "Hardi Chuna" (accept defeat). But Raghu kept his cool. He made a try, but in vain. "Move Raghu, move !" The supporters were urging him. Raghu gathered his spirit. He made the last attempt and finally touched the dividing line. He won the match for Chainpur. The supporters took him on their shoulders.

Glossary and notes

territory(n)	area, क्षेत्र
cautiously (adv)	carefully, सावधानीपूर्वक
ducked (v)	moved quickly down, तेजी से झुककर बचा
capture (v)	seize, कब्जे में करना
disappoint (v)	make hopeless, निराश करना
accept(v)	agree to, राजी होना, स्वीकार करना
gather (v)	collect, जमा करना, इकट्ठा करना
supporter (n)	one who favours, समर्थक

B. Let's comprehend**B.1.1. Think and Tell**

Answer the following questions orally :

- (i) Who walked first into the Rampur territory ?
- (ii) Who was Mangla ?
- (iii) Who made Mangla out ?
- (iv) What did Raghu say when he moved into the Rampur territory ?

B.2. Think and Write**B.2.1. Write 'T' for true statement and 'F' for false statement:**

- (i) Raghu walked into Rampur territory saying –
Badi Badi Badi.
- (ii) Mangla could not hold Raghu.
- (iii) Aslam was the player of the Rampur team.
- (iv) After an hour, all the players of the Chainpur team were out, except Raghu.
- (v) To say “Hardi Chuna” is the sign of defeat.
- (vi) Raghu did not touch the dividing line of the territory.
- (vii) The Chainpur team won the match.

B.2.2. Answer the following questions in a phrase or sentence :

- (i) What was Raghu being forced to say ?
- (ii) Who took Raghu on their shoulders ?
- (iii) What was the demand of the Rampur supporters?

B.2.3. Answer each of the following questions in not more than 50 words :

- (i) There is no need of any sports-item in Kabaddi. Do you agree ? If yes, explain.
- (ii) How did Raghu become the most important player of the Chainpur team ? What did the supporters of the Chainpur team do after the match ?
- (iii) Raghu was being forced forcing to say “Hardi Chuna”. Why ?
- (iv) Which game do you like most ? Give reasons.

C. Word Study**C.1. Correct the spelling of the following words:**

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| tauch | teritory | incircle | cought |
| Fourty | Ninty | recive | suppoter |

C.2. Match the words in Column 'A' with the words given in Column 'B'.

A	B
(i) cautiously	(a) to seize.
(ii) delight	(b) to agree to
(iii) accept	(c) area
(iv) duck	(d) high pleasure
(v) capture	(e) carefully
(vi) territory	(f) avoid being caught.

D. Grammar

D.1. Read the following sentences from the text :

You should not get tempted.

You should play safely.

In both the sentences given above the 'should' has been used for suggestion / advice.

'Should' is also used :

(a) to give warning and threat

eg. If you come late, you should be fined.

(b) in the sense of 'offer'

eg. Should I carry your bag ?

(c) in the sense of moral obligation

eg. You should respect your elders.

Find out the purpose for which ‘should’ has been used in the following sentences and write them in the space provided. One has been done for you:

You should speak the truth. suggestion

1. We should help the helpless.
2. You should be punished if you tell a lie.
3. We should always walk along left side of the road.
4. Everyone should love his/her motherland.
5. One should not waste one’s time.
6. You should not get ill-tempered.

D.2. Look at the following sentences from the lesson :

- (1) After an hour, all the players of the Chainpur team were out, except Raghu.
- (2) He made a try but in vain.

In example (1) ‘an’ is used before ‘hour’ which starts with a vowel sound.

In example (2) a is used before ‘try’ which starts with a consonant sound.

Remember :

‘A’ and ‘an’ are used before singular countable nouns.

Ex. a boy. a dog, an egg. an M.L.A., a uniform, an ant.

'A' is used before a noun beginning with a consonant sound and 'an' is used before a noun beginning with a vowel sound.

Now fill in the blanks with 'a' or 'an':

- (i) _____ dog is _____ animal.
 (ii) Gandhiji was _____ great man.
 (iii) Rekha is _____ good girl.
 (iv) He is _____ M.A.
 (v) Mukul is _____ N.C.C. Officer.
 (vi) Raghu is _____ active player.
 (vii) Tom is _____ European.
 (viii) I reached there in _____ hour.
 (ix) She is _____ B. A.
 (x) This is _____ one act play.

E. Let's Talk

Work in groups

Talk to your friends about any match you may have watched.

F. Composition

Describe in about 100 words a cricket match that you may have watched.

G. Translate the following sentences into English :

1. रघु चैनपुर का तेज खिलाड़ी था ।
2. वह फुर्तीला और मजबूत था ।

3. असलम रामपुर का लोकप्रिय खिलाड़ी था ।
4. वह मेहनती था ।
5. विनय अपने मित्रों के साथ रोज कबड्डी खेलता है ।
6. खेल शरीर को मजबूत बनाता है ।
7. हमें नियमित खेलना और पढ़ना चाहिये ।
8. स्वास्थ्य ही धन है ।
9. स्वस्थ शरीर में स्वस्थ मस्तिष्क रहता है ।

H. Activity

1. Find out the differences between the Kabaddi match played in your locality and the Kabaddi match played at the national or international level.

2. Work in groups

Discuss in your group the game most of the members like . List the items/equipments required to play it.