

Literature

Ch-1 - The New Girl

★ Dictation Words:

1. Stares
2. foreigner
3. excited
4. simply
5. skipping
6. angarakho
7. slideshow
8. headgear
9. giggle
10. recognise
11. puanchei
12. classmates
13. angrily
14. teased
15. costumes
16. traditional
17. chorno
18. princely
19. intently
20. applauds
21. ignores
22. Chheihlam

★ Word Meanings:

1. Stares: looks directly at someone for long time
2. teased: made fun of
3. skipping: missing or not attending
4. traditional: cultural / customary

5. can tell : can understand
6. intently : with full attention
7. applauds : claps or appreciates

★ Make sentences:

1. teased - The other children teased her because she was wearing funny dress.
2. applauds - The audience stood and applauded her dance performance.
3. intently - The students listened intently to the lecture.
4. can tell - I can tell the kinds of nouns.

★ Fill in the blanks:

1. The seven states of North-East India are also called the seven sisters.
2. During art period, Misa shares her crayons with Zenie.
3. Parth was wearing a traditional angarakho - chorno.
4. Puja was wearing a chaniya - choli.

5. Veena sings a beautiful freedom song in Tamil.

6. Zenie was wearing a dress called puanchei.

★ Answer the following questions:

Q.1. From the story, what do we know about Mira's family members?

Ans.1 When Mira's brother was teased for his glasses, their mother encouraged him by saying that it's okay to be different.

Q.2. Why do you think the other children called Zenie a 'foreigner' in the beginning of the story?

Ans.2. The other children called Zenie a 'foreigner' at the beginning of the story because she looked different.

Q.3. How did Mira and Zenie become best friends?

Ans.3. Mira wanted Zenie to be comfortable as she was a new girl. So she smiled, shared lunch and crayons with Zenie. This friendly and caring approach made them best friends.

Q.4. In the end, nobody in the class teases Zenie anymore. Why? How did Zenie manage to become 'one of them'?

Ans. 4. Zenie became a part of the group when she happily participated in the school event. She came in a traditional Mizo dress, and wonderfully performed chheihlam dance. Everyone was impressed and did not tease her for being different any more.

Q. 5. How would you make a new person in your class more comfortable?

Ans. 5. I would talk with him/her to make him/her comfortable and introduce with other classmates. I would share lunch, guide her if needed, care for her and make her/him a good friend.

Q. 6. Why was Mira being nice to the new girl?

Ans. 6. Mira was being nice to her because she remembered the time when she had been new, and nobody spoke to her or played with her. She didn't want Zenie to have the same experience.

Q. 7. Why ^{is} Zenie not excited about the new project?

Ans. 7. Zenie was not excited about the project because she was worried that people would laugh at her as they usually did, because she appeared different from them.

Q. 8. What did Mira and Zenie present there?

Ans. 8 Mira presented a slideshow about the princely state of Rajasthan, where she was born. Zenie presented a Mizo dance called Chheihlam, while wearing a traditional dress called a puanchei.

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