

Rikki-Tikki-Tavi class V GRAMMAR chapter 7

( Write all the exercise, questions and answers in the copy and book) questions and answers only in the copy.

A) Match each word with the meaning it has in the passage:

1. fluff (e) to shake something to make it look larger
2. scuttled (i) ran with quick, short steps
3. burrow (g) a hole made in the ground and used as a shelter by some animals
4. ditch (1) a long, narrow channel dug at the edge of a field or road, etc. to carry water away
5. wisp (b) a small, thin piece of something
6. revived (h) regained consciousness
7. curiosity (d) a strong desire to know or learn
8. veranda (c) an open space, with a roof, on the side of a house
9. roaming (a) walking around without any definite aim
10. bloodhound (f) a large dog with a very good sense of smell

B) Answer the following questions: ( DO FOR HOMEWORK )

1. Who was Rikki-tikki-tavi? Describe him.
2. How do you think Rikki-tikki got his name?
3. Where did the summer flood carry Rikki-tikki?
4. How was he treated by the family which found him?
5. Why is it hard to frighten a mongoose?
6. What did Rikki-tikki eat and how did he dry himself completely?
7. What did Teddy's mother fear?
8. What did Teddy's father think?

C) Say which of the underlined verbs are transitive and which intransitive. Point out the objects of the

transitive verbs.

1. He could fluff up his tail until it looked like a bottle brush. (looked-intransitive)
2. He lost his senses. (lost-transitive; object-senses)
3. He was not dead. (was-intransitive)
4. They wrapped him in cotton wool. (wrapped-transitive; object-him)
5. They gave him raw meat. (gave-transitive; direct object-meat; indirect object-him)
6. He spent the day roaming all over the house. (spent transitive; object-day)
7. They saw Rikki-tikki on the pillow. (saw transitive; object-Rikki-tikki)

D. Pick out the adjectives and adverbs from the following sentences and say of what kind each is. Also mention which word each adjective or adverb qualifies:

1. He scuttled through the long grass. ( long-qualitative adjective, qualifies grass)
2. Rikki-tikki liked it immensely. (immensely: adverb of degree qualifies liked )
3. It is the hardest thing in the world to frighten a mongoose. ( hardest: qualitative adjective (superlative) qualifies thing)
4. Rikki-tikki climbed up. ( up: adverb of place, qualifies climb)
5. He'll do no such thing,' said the boy's father. (no: adverb of negation=not, qualifies the adjective such, demonstrative adjective qualifies thing)