

## LESSON - 12



### ALICE IN THE WONDERLAND

One day, Alice was lying under a tree listening to her sister reading a story. Suddenly, she saw a white rabbit scamper by. He had pink eyes and was wearing a blue coat. He took out a big watch from his waistcoat pocket and as he hurried away, he said, "Oh dear, I will be too late!"

She thought there was something very different about this rabbit. It could talk, it wore a red waistcoat and it carried a watch. Alice wondered, "A talking rabbit? A rabbit who wears a waistcoat!" Alice was burning with curiosity and she followed the white rabbit.



The rabbit started running and Alice followed the rabbit. The rabbit suddenly popped down a large rabbit hole. Alice jumped into the rabbit hole

too! The rabbit went down and down and down and down into the rabbit hole.

Alice said aloud, "Where am I? How many miles down have I fallen? I must be getting somewhere near the centre of the earth." She wondered, "Will I slip through the earth to the other side?"

Thump! Alice landed on a pile of dry leaves. She looked around quickly and suddenly saw the white rabbit again. It disappeared saying, "Oh, my ears and whiskers! How late it's getting!"

Alice stood up and saw a small door about fifteen inches high. It was too small for her to go through. She saw a glass table with a golden key on it. She tried the little golden key in the lock and to her delight it fitted! Alice opened the door and looked into the loveliest garden she had ever seen! How she longed to be among those beds of bright flowers and those cool fountains! But she could not even get her head through the doorway.

"Oh! How I wish, I could become smaller!" she exclaimed loudly.



- Adapted from Alice in Wonderland  
by Lewis Carroll

Word	Pronunciation	Meaning	First form of the Verb
wonderland	- वनड(र)लैंड	- अद्भुत दुनिया	
scamper	- स्कैम्प(र)	- तेजी से दड़बड़ा कर बीडना	
waistcoat	- वेस्टकोट	- सदरी	
wondered	- वनड(र)ड	- आश्चर्य जाताया	wonder - आश्चर्य चकित होना
curiosity	- क्यूरिऑसिटी	- उत्सुकता	
followed	- फॉलोड	- अनुसरण किया	follow - अनुसरण करना
popped down-	पापड डाउन	- अचानक कटी आना या जाना	
whiskers	- विसकर(र)स	- बिल्ली या चूहे के मुँह पर लम्बा बाल	
landed	- लैंडेड	- उतरा	land - उतरना
pile	- पाइल	- वस्तुओं का ढेर	
delight	- डिलाइट	- अत्यधिक प्रसन्नता	
longed	- लॉग्ड	- तीव्र इच्छा व्यक्त किया	
exclaimed	- इक्स्क्लेमेट	- भावावेश में अचानक चिल्लाया	exclaim - भावावेश में अचानक चिल्लाना

### Comprehension Questions

- Answer the following questions:
  - While listening to the story, what did Alice see?
  - What was different about the rabbit that Alice saw?
  - Where did the rabbit go?
  - How did Alice reach wonderland?
  - What strange things did Alice see?

### Word Power

- Find one word from the story that means:
  - to walk fast h \_\_\_\_\_
  - happy d \_\_\_\_\_
  - at once s \_\_\_\_\_
  - to be seen no where d \_\_\_\_\_
  - move fast q \_\_\_\_\_
  - eager to know c \_\_\_\_\_

### Language Practice

1. Make Wh- questions for statement given below. One has been done for you-

a. My name is Rahul

What is your name?

b. I am going to school.

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c. My father is a goldsmith.

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d. I am ten years old.

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e. Mrs. Preeti Tripathi teaches me English.

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f. I get up at six o'clock.

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**Activity**

1. Imagine you are going on a journey to the center of the earth. What do you think you will see there?

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