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.



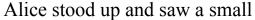
The rabbit started running and Alice followed the rabbit. The rabbit suddenly popped down a large rabbit hole. Alice jumped into the rabbit hole

too! The rabbit went down and down and down 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!"



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 for	m of the Verb
wonderland	- पन्ड(र)लैंड	- अद्मभुत दुनिया		
scamper	 स्कैम्प(र) 	- तेजी से हड़बड़ा कर वीडना		
waistecoat	- वेस्टकोट	- सदरी		
wondered	 यनड(र)ड 	- आश्चर्य जताया	wonder	- आश्चर्य चकित होन
curiosity	- वयुअरि ऑसटि	- उत्सुकता		
followed	- फॉलोड	- अनुसरण किया	follow	- अनुसरण करना
popped down	n- पॉप्ड डाउन	- अचानक कही आना या जाना		
whiskers	- विसक(र)स	- बिल्ली या चूठे के मुँड पर लम्बा बाल		
landed	- ਲੈਵਫੇਤ	- उतरा	land	- उत्तरना
pile	- पाइल	- पस्तुओं का ढेर		
delight	- ਤਿਗਤਟ	- अत्यधिक प्रसन्पता		
longed	- লাশ্ভ	- तीव्र इच्छा व्यक्त किया		
exclaimed	- डक्स्वलेम्ड	- भाषावेश में अचानक चिल्लाया	exclaim	- भाषायेश में अद्यानक चिल्लाना

Comprehension Questions

1.	Answer	the	foll	owing	questions:
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- a. While listening to the story, what did Alice see?
- b. What was different about the rabbit that Alice saw?
- c. Where did the rabbit go?

d. How did Alice reach wonderland?	
e. What strange things did Alice see?	
Word Power	
1. Find one word from the story that means	S:
a. to walk fast h b. happy d	
c. at once s d. to be seen no w	here d
e. move fast q f. eagar to know	
Language Practice	
1. Make Wh- questions for statement giver	below. One has been done for
you-	
a. My name is Rahul	
What is your name?	
b. I am going to school.	
	?
c. My father is a goldsmith.	
	?
d. I am ten years old.	
	?
e Mrs. Preeti Trinathi teaches me English	

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?