

## Lesson - 14



### the little fir tree

Once a magician was returning home. All of a sudden it began to rain heavily. He looked around for shelter and saw a little fir tree. He ran there and took shelter. Soon it stopped raining. The magician said to the tree, "Thank you! You have been kind to me. I would like to reward you. Ask for four wishes, and I will grant them", said the magician.

The fir tree had needle-like leaves and no birds ever made their nests in it.

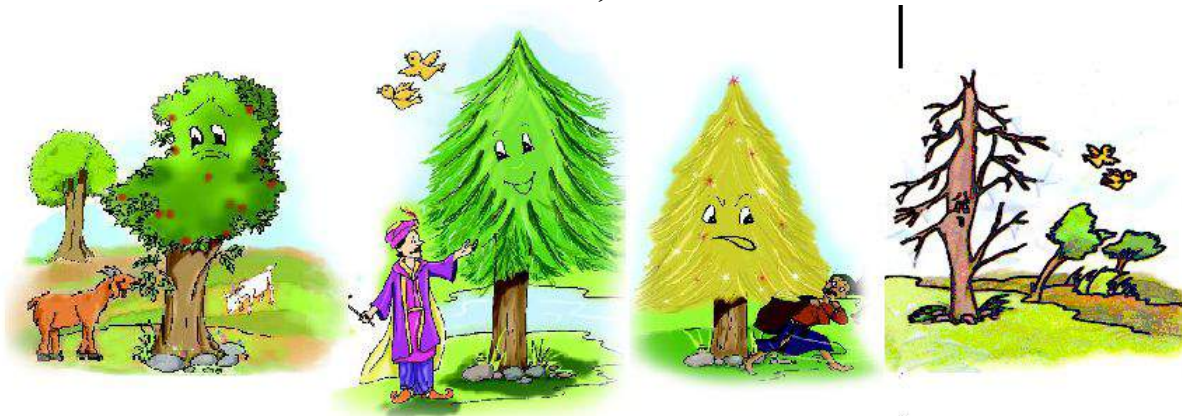
So it said, "I wish I had green leaves like my other friends."

Next morning, its wish was granted. Soon a goat came along and ate all the green leaves. "Oh! dear," said the fir tree, "I wish I had gold leaves."

When the little fir tree woke up the next morning, it was surprised to see the gold leaves. A man came along and stole all the gold leaves.

This time the fir tree said, "I wish I had glass leaves. Men do not steal glass leaves." At night the wind blew and all the glass leaves broke.

The fir tree said, "I want my old needle-like leaves back, so that goats do not eat them, man cannot



steal them and wind cannot break them."

The tree went to sleep. When it woke up the next morning, its needle like leaves were back again.

You should be happy with what you have

New Words

Word	Pronunciation	Meaning	First form of the Verb
magician	- मजिशन	- जादूगर	
reward	- रिवॉरुड	- पुरस्कार	
wish	- विश	- इच्छा	
surprised	- स(र)प्राइज्ड	- अश्चर्य चकित हुआ	surprise - अश्चर्य चकित होना
stole	- स्टोल	- चुराया	steal - चुराना
broke	- ब्रोक	- टूट गया	break - टूटना

### Comprehension Questions

1. Answer the following questions:

- Who granted four wishes to the fir tree and why?
- Why did no bird make its nest in the fir tree?
- What was the second wish of the fir tree?
- Why did the fir tree want to have glass leaves? What happened to the glass leaves?
- Why did the fir tree wish to have its needle-like leaves back?

2. Write 'T' for true and 'F' for false statements:

- The fir tree had soft green leaves. [ ]
- The wind broke all the glass leaves. [ ]
- The fir tree did not get its needle-like leaves back. [ ]
- We should be happy with what we have. [ ]

### Word Power

1. Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box:

shelter grant steal heavily along

- The building was \_\_\_\_\_ damaged by the fire.
- I took \_\_\_\_\_ under my friend's umbrella.
- Kindly \_\_\_\_\_ me leave for two days.
- She went \_\_\_\_\_ with her mother to watch a movie.
- It is a bad habit to \_\_\_\_\_ other's things.

2. Rearrange the letters to make meaningful words:

- enelde - \_\_\_\_\_
- dlgo - \_\_\_\_\_
- algss - \_\_\_\_\_
- reeng - \_\_\_\_\_

### Language Practice

1. Fill in the blanks using 'has' or 'have':

- Raman \_\_\_\_\_ a good story book.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ a younger brother.
- They \_\_\_\_\_ completed their classwork.
- We \_\_\_\_\_ a get together.
- It \_\_\_\_\_ started raining.
- Elephants \_\_\_\_\_ big ears.

g. Anita \_\_\_\_\_ a new pencil box.

h. We \_\_\_\_\_ been to the zoo.

i. A giraffe \_\_\_\_\_ a long neck.

j. Beena \_\_\_\_\_ lost her water bottle.

k. What \_\_\_\_\_ they done?

Activity

» Collect leaves of different shapes and sizes and make different pictures as shown below. Paste them on a chart paper: