

Lesson -3



The Right Choice



Rakesh was very excited. It was his last day of exam. His vacation was about to begin. He walked back home cheerfully.

As soon as he reached home he put his bag in a corner, and ran towards his brother's room.

“Rakesh, don't disturb your brother. His exams are not yet over,” his mother said. Rakesh returned to his room sadly. His brother Mukesh was preparing for the board exams. His parents did not want Mukesh to be disturbed.

A little later his mother called out, “Rakesh?” “Yes, mother” he answered and rushed to her room. “What is it mother?” he asked curiously. “The table lamp in Mukesh's room is not working. He needs it. Go and call the electrician,” she said.

“Mother, can't Mukesh fix it himself? He is so good at it,” Rakesh said.

“Don't argue Rakesh. Do as you are told,” she said sternly. Overhearing this conversation, Mukesh came out and said, “Oh! Mother, please let me try. It will not take more than half an hour.”

“No, don't waste your time. Go and study,” she said firmly. Quietly, Mukesh returned to his room but could not concentrate on his studies. He was eager to use his electrical tool kit. Mukesh had selected each tool with utmost care. He kept looking at it. He could not control himself and finally got up to fix the lamp.

By the time Rakesh returned, Mukesh had already repaired the lamp.

“Wow! Mukesh you are brilliant. I knew you would be able to do it,” exclaimed Rakesh. “Sorry for the trouble Mr. Yadav, the work is already done,” said the mother to the electrician. “I am sure Mukesh must have done it. You already have an expert electrician at home,” Mr. Yadav said and left with a smile.

“Now stop wasting your time, and get back to your studies,” mother told Mukesh.

On the day of the announcement of results, Mukesh went to school with his parents. Mukesh had topped his class.

Mother : Now it will be easy for you to gain admission in a good college.



Mukesh : Mother, I don't want to go to a college. Father, I want to join a course that can help me to take up my hobby as my profession.

The next day he went to the Technical Training Institute with his father. There he gained admission in the course of his choice.

(A couple of years later...)

Everyone looked cheerful as they walked out of the house. Mukesh had set up a new shop and they were going for its inauguration. At the inaugural ceremony, Mukesh asked Rakesh to come forward and cut the ribbon. Everyone clapped and wished Mukesh good luck.

New Words

Word **Meaning**

sternly -कठोरता पूर्वक

overhearing -संयोग से बात सुनकर

firmly -मजबूती से

concentrate-ध्यान केन्द्रित करना

inauguration -उद्घाटन

Comprehension Questions

1. Answer the following questions:

- a. Why did the parents not want to disturb Mukesh?
- b. Why did mother call the electrician?
- c. What was Mukesh eager to do?
- d. What type of course did Mukesh want to take up?
- e. Name the institute in which Mukesh got admission.
- f. Why is it necessary to take the right decision at a right time?

2. Arrange the following events in the order as they appear in the story:

- The electrician arrives. _____
- .The table lamp stopped working. _____
- .Mukesh tops the class. _____
- .Rakesh goes to call the electrician. _____
- .Rakesh's vacation begins. _____
- .Mukesh repairs the lamp. _____

Word Power

1. Unscramble the letters to form new words and use these words to form meaningful sentences:

cavaontis **Vacations** -

I will visit my grandma's place in the vacations.

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netrsly _____ -

ergae _____ -

feropssnio _____ -

Language Practice

1. Read and understand:

A phrasal verb is a verb combined with a verb and a preposition, to give a new meaning.

Given below are some phrasal verbs and their meanings:

Phrasal verb and Meaning

- called out ask somebody to come
- take up learn
- set up to start
- get back to return

Now use the above given phrasal verbs in sentences of your own to bring out their meaning. One has been done for you:

- **called out**- Deepak's father called out for him.
- **take up** ___
- **set up** ___
- **get back** ___

Activity

Let's Talk and write

- » What are your hobbies? Write them in your notebook.