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TOPIC: Reading Comprehension

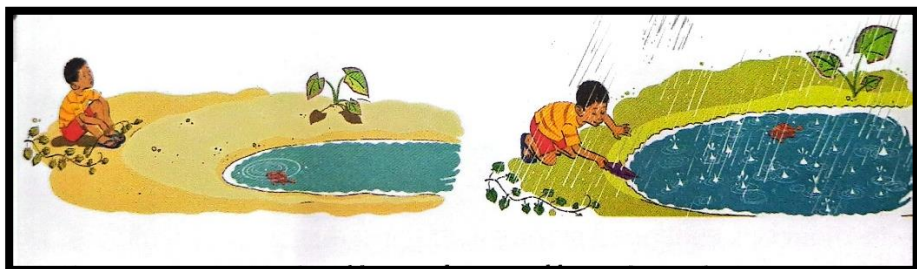
WORKSHEET

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Look at the pictures:

Discuss: Why does the child look sad in one picture and happy in another?



Read carefully the passage given below and answer the questions given on the next page.

There was once a tiny country that was suffering from a long drought. It had gone so long without rain that the people there were starting to go hungry because of the bad harvest.

It so happened that at the same time, a band of musicians was travelling across the country, trying to make a living from their concerts. But with so many problems in the land, no one felt like listening to music.

“Music can help overcome your problems,” said the musicians. But no one paid them the slightest attention.

“Who has the mood for music at a time like this?” they said.

So, the musicians tried to find out why it would not rain. It was very strange because the sky was overcast, but there was no rain and no one could explain.

“It’s been cloudy like this for many months,” the people told them. “Yet, not a single drop of rain has fallen.”

“Don’t worry,” said the musicians. “We’ll bring rain to this country.”

They began rehearsing for a concert at the summit of the highest mountain.

Everyone who heard the music felt curious. Although they were troubled about the weather and the crops, they went up the mountain. Then the conductor of the orchestra gave the order, and the musicians began to play.

From their instruments came short, playful musical notes that rose higher and higher into the clouds. The music was wonderfully joyous, happy and fun. The notes started tickling the clouds’ soft, fluffy bellies, running here and there, up and down. The whole sky turned into one big game of tickle torture. Before long, the giant clouds were thundering with laughter.

The musicians continued playing with the same joy. A few minutes later the clouds were crying with laughter. They soaked the little country below with their precious tears, bringing happiness to all.

And in memory of that musical rain, everyone in the land learned how to play a musical instrument. Every day, they took turns going up the mountain and bringing joy to the clouds with their beautiful song.

I. Find words from the passage that mean the same as:

- a. a long period of little or no rainfall: _____
- b. the amount of crops grown in a season: _____
- c. top of a mountain: _____

II. Complete the paragraph with words from the help box:

orchestra	instruments	musicians
concert	conductor	classical

We attended a wonderful _____ yesterday. The _____ stood in the middle of the stage, and the other _____ followed him. The _____ played _____ music for an hour. Violin, piano and cello were some of the _____ used in the programme.

III. Answer the question in a sentence:

1. How did the musicians use music to solve the problems of the people?

Ans: _____

IV. Number the sentences in the correct order:

a. The notes of the music went up to the sky and tickled the clouds.	
b. To celebrate, everyone learned a musical instrument.	
c. The musicians began playing at the top of a mountain to bring rain.	
d. A group of musicians came to a country.	
e. It began raining as the clouds cried with laughter.	
f. No one wanted to listen to them because everyone was worried about the drought.	

Illustrate your favourite musical instrument: