CHAPTER 1

I read a book when I was a little boy. It was called True Stories from Nature. It was all about the jungle. There was a picture of a snake. I drew a picture of it. It was my first picture. It frightened the grown-ups. I drew another picture. It was a picture of the inside of the snake. Grown-ups are strange. They do not understand.

The grown-ups told me, “No drawing any more things. You need to learn about other things.”

I gave up drawing. I learned to fly aeroplanes instead. I lived on my own all my life. Then I crashed my plane in the desert. I met a little man. He was very little. He asked me to draw him a sheep.

“What are you doing here?” I asked.

“Draw me a sheep please!” the man said slowly.

I took a piece of paper out of my pocket. I used my pen to draw. It was a snake. I did not know how to draw a sheep.

“No, not a snake! They are dangerous animals. Draw me a sheep!” the man said. I tried to draw a sheep. It wasn’t very good. He asked me to draw him another one. I could not draw a sheep. I drew a box.

“The sheep you want is in the box,” I told the man. He was very happy.

“Thank you! My own sheep in a box! How much grass will he eat?” he asked.

jungle (n) forest

frighten (v) to make somebody afraid; to scare

grown-up (n) an adult person; somebody who is no longer young

Crash (v) if someone crashes a plane, it falls from the sky
“The sheep you want is in the box,” I told the man. He was very happy.
“A little bit,” I said.

The man was the Little Prince.

The Little Prince asked me many questions. I answered them. I asked him questions. He did not answer them. He asked me about my aeroplane. I told him, “It fell out of the sky.”

“I fell out of the sky too!” the Little Prince said.

He was from space. I asked him, “Where do you come from?”

“Everything is so little on my planet,” he said.

“What is it called?” I asked.

“Asteroid 325. It is not very big. It is the size of a house.”

I learned something else about the Little Prince’s planet every day.

“There are good seeds and bad seeds on my planet. The good seeds came from the good plants. The bad seeds came from the bad plants. The good plants can grow. The bad plants cannot,” he told me.

There were many bad seeds from baobab trees.

“One seed can destroy my whole planet so I need a sheep. It can eat the baobab plants.”

asteroid (n) any one of the thousands of small planets that go around the sun
baobab (n) a short thick tree
destroy (v) to damage something very badly
The Little Prince had a very sad life. He was very lonely. He liked sunset.

“I saw the sunset 47 times in one day,” the Little Prince said.

“On your planet?” I asked.

“Yes,” he said.

“Does a sheep eat flowers?” he asked.

“Yes,” I said. I tried to fix my aeroplane. I wanted to go home. I got angry with the Little Prince.

“You are just like the grown-ups!” he said, “You mix everything up. I know a planet. It has a man with a red face. He just adds up numbers all day. He gets angry like you. I love a flower. I cannot let my sheep eat the flower. All the stars will go dark. That is important!”

The Little Prince cried. I stopped fixing my aeroplane.
“Your sheep will not eat your flower. I will draw a muzzle for the sheep. I will draw a fence around your flower,” I asked, “What is your flower like?”

“It is a rose. The flowers on my planet are not beautiful flowers. The wind blew a new seed to my planet. It was my rose. I watched her bloom,” he said.

This is the story about the Little Prince’s adventures. He told me his story. Now I will tell it to you.

The Little Prince took care of the rose. When she bloomed, she said, “Oh! I am not asleep! I must look a mess!”

“No, you are beautiful,” the Little Prince said. He looked after the rose. He fell in love with her, but the rose lied to the Little Prince. It made him very sad. He felt all alone. He left his planet to find new friends.

“Goodbye,” he said to the rose.

I am sorry I lied. I want you to be happy. I love you,” the rose said.

**muzzle** (n) a covering for the mouth of an animal that stops it from biting or eating

**bloom** (v) to grow; to produce flowers
He looked after the rose. He fell in love with her.
The Little Prince left Asteroid 325. He went to visit other planets. On one planet, he found a king. The king wore grand clothes and sat on a big throne. His clothes were very big. They covered most of the planet. There was no room to sit down.

The king said to the Little Prince, “Everything here obeys me.”

“Even the stars?” the Little Prince asked.

“Yes,” the king said. The Little Prince was very impressed. He missed his planet.

“Could you order a sunset for me?” the Little Prince asked.

“I will order it for tonight,” the king said. The Little Prince did not want to stay on the king’s planet, “Do not go!” said the king.

“Why not?” the Little Prince asked.

“I want you to stay. You can be the Minister of Justice,” the king said.

“But there is no one here to judge,” the Little Prince said.

“You can judge yourself,” the king said.

“I am going now,” the Little Prince said.

“Wait, you can be my ambassador!” the king said.

The Little Prince left the planet. He thought, “Grown-ups are all very strange.”

grand (adj) very big
throne (n) a special chair where a king or queen sits especially at ceremonies
obey (v) to do what someone else tells you to do
On one planet, he found a king. The king wore grand clothes and sat on a big throne. His clothes were very big.
Test 1
Write the question form of the sentences as in the example.

Example: The books **fell** on the floor.  
**Did** the books **fall** on the floor?

1. They went on a holiday last week.
   ................................................................................................ .
2. He left an hour ago.
   ................................................................................................ .
3. She helped her mother with the housework.
   ................................................................................................ .
4. He spoke English and Spanish fluently.
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5. It rained all day yesterday.
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6. The snake bit him.
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7. Kevin ate all the chocolate cake.
   ................................................................................................ .
8. She listened to her teacher carefully.
   ................................................................................................ .
9. The police chased the robber.
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10. The pilot carried the Little Prince to the well.
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1. a) is leaving       b) left       c) leaves
2. a) wearing        b) wears       c) wore
3. a) were           b) is          c) are
4. a) little         b) few         c) most

Test 3

Unjumble the sentences.

1. climbed / he / the / mountain

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2. the / walked / across / desert / we

............................................................................................. .

3. was / a / man / merchant / the

............................................................................................. .

4. line / the / man / worked / railway / on / the

............................................................................................. .

5. I / be / don't / to / want / lonely

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6. the / he / planet / left

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Test-1

Fill in the blanks with the words below.

time  children  explorer  invisible  stars

desert  aeroplanes  roots  tame  flower

1. .................. are made of metal. They fly people to different places.
2. The .................. has petals. It has leaves. It smells nice.
3. An ................. goes looking for things. They go to find new places.
4. The .................. has a lot of sand. There is no water.
   It is very hot.
5. The tree has ................. . They go deep into the ground.
6. It is not a .................. wolf. It is wild. It will hurt you.
7. You can tell the ................. on a clock. You look at the hands.
   They point to numbers.
8. Parents have .................. . They are young people.
   They grow up quickly.
9. You can see ................. at night. They shine in the sky.
10. You cannot see .................. things.

Match the definitions (1-10) on the right with the words (a-j) on the left.

1. a person who buys and sells products
2. to make fire stop burning
3. to do what someone else tells you to do
4. big
5. to follow
6. to see
7. to repair
8. to like or respect someone very much
9. needing water
10. not moving

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Test-2

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