



## 2. Daydreams



### Passage 1:

Once there lived a couple who spent a lot of time in idle talk. One day, the husband said, "I have always wanted to keep cows. If, by chance, I get some extra money from somewhere, I am going to buy a few cows."

Q1. How did the couple spend their time?

Q2. Who spent a lot of time in idle talk?

Q3. When was the husband going to buy a few cows?

\*Q4. What did the husband want to buy if he got some extra money?

Q5. Why did the wife feel that looking after cows is a lot of work?

Q6. How many cows did the wife want to buy?

Q7. How do you spend your free time?

### Passage 2:

"But that means a lot of work. You have to feed the cows, walk them, bathe them, milk them - cows need a lot of looking after. One cow would be enough. There's no need to buy more cows," said the wife.

"But think of all the milk we'll get if we buy more," said the husband.

"That's true." The wife agreed. "There will be so much milk that we can even have plenty of dahi and butter and ghee. Wouldn't it be lovely! How lucky that I have all these earthen pots kept aside. I'll use one of the pots for milk, one for dahi, one for butter. The ghee, I'll put in another jar. And I'll use this remaining pot to send milk to my sister."

Q1. Why didn't the wife agree to buy a lot of cows?

Q2. How did the husband convince the wife to buy cows?

Q3. Did the wife agree to buy the cows?

Q4. How was the wife going to use the earthen pots?

Q5. What did the wife plan to do with the remaining pot?

Q6. What are the different things obtained from milk?

Q7. How was the wife going to store the ghee?

### Passage 3:

"Send milk to your sister! Who said you could send milk to your sister!"

"There will be plenty of milk, if we have so many cows. Why shouldn't I send it to my sister?"

"Because we are going to sell it in the market - that's why. I will decide what to do with all that milk. And not a drop of it goes to your sister, remember!"

"I'll see how you can stop me from sending a pot full of milk to my dear sister. I do all the hard work running after the cows so naturally I will decide what happens to the milk. Just try stopping me!" the wife exclaimed.

Q1. What did the husband and wife argue about?

\*Q2. What did the husband intend to do with the remaining milk?

Q3. Why did the wife say that she will decide about the milk?

Q4. Did the wife agree to the husband's plan?

Q5. What will you do if someone does not agree to what you say?

Passage 4:

"Is that so!" shouted the husband. "Watch this, then!" He began to lift and smash the earthen pots one by one. His wife began to scream.

Gopal Bhand, who was passing by, heard all the commotion and rushed inside. When he heard what had happened, he picked up a stout stick that stood in a corner and began to swish it through the air and pound it on the floor. The husband and wife were both astounded to see his antics.

"What are you doing?" they enquired.

"Move aside," said Gopal Bhand. "I have to drive away your greedy cows. You have let them wander and now they have ruined my field of beans and cucumbers!"

"But you don't have a field of beans and cucumbers!" said the husband. As soon as he said that, Gopal Bhand stopped wielding the stick and looked at him with raised eyebrows. The husband and wife understood what he was trying to tell them. Can you tell what he wanted to say?

Q1. Why did the husband smash the earthen pots?

Q2. Why did the wife begin to scream?

Q3. Who was passing by? Why did he run inside the couple's house?

Q4. What did Gopal Bhand do?

Q5. How did the couple react to Gopal Bhand's action?

\*Q6. What did Gopal Bhand say he was doing?

\*Q7. Did Gopal Bhand have a field?

\*Q8. What did Gopal Bhand want to tell the husband and wife?

\*Q9. What is the difference between 'dream' and 'daydream'?

Q10. Is it good to daydream? Why?

\*Q11. What was the daydream you last had? Write down your daydream in short.

Q1. Fill in the blanks with the correct adjectives from the lesson.

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| • _____ talk    | • _____ cows     |
| • _____ money   | • _____ field    |
| • _____ cows    | • _____ eyebrows |
| • _____ of milk | • _____ sister   |
| • _____ pots    | • _____ jar      |
| • _____ stick   | • _____ day      |

Q2. Find the meanings of the following words:

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| • idle      | • stout     |
| • couple    | • swish     |
| • chance    | • pound     |
| • enough    | • astounded |
| • agree     | • antics    |
| • plenty    | • greedy    |
| • earthen   | • wander    |
| • naturally | • ruined    |
| • exclaimed | • wielding  |
| • smash     | • daydreams |
| • commotion | • enquired  |

Q3. List down the phrases from the lesson

Q4. State whether the following sentences are- Assertive, Interrogative, Exclamatory or Imperative

1. There's no need to buy more cows. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Wouldn't it be lovely! \_\_\_\_\_
3. The couple spent a lot of time on idle talk. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Why shouldn't I send it to my sister? \_\_\_\_\_
5. And not a drop of it goes to your sister! \_\_\_\_\_
6. He began to smash the earthen pots. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Move aside. \_\_\_\_\_
8. What are you doing? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Oh, my lovely field of beans and cucumbers! \_\_\_\_\_
10. Can you tell what you wanted to say? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Watch this. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Send milk to your sister! \_\_\_\_\_
13. The husband and wife understood what he was trying to tell them.  
\_\_\_\_\_
14. Is that so! \_\_\_\_\_
15. Gopal Bhand stopped wielding the stick. \_\_\_\_\_

Q5. Write a few lines on: 'My wonderful dream.'