

# A STRANGER AT THE DOOR

## PRE-READING

### Activity - 1

Ask the following questions to the children.

Sometimes you meet people whom you don't know.

Have you ever met any person whom you don't know ?

Did he ask you for any help ?

Tell your experience to the class about the person.

Let's read a story about a stranger.

## Reading

There lived an old man and his wife in a village. They were very poor and sometimes they had to go without food. One evening a stranger came to their door. He said, "I've travelled a long way. I am tired and hungry. May I have some food to eat" ? "Welcome !" said the old man.

The stranger entered the room. The old man and his wife were happy



to receive the stranger as their guest. The oldman called his wife and said, "The man has not eaten anything today. He has travelled a long way. Give him



some food to eat." His wife went inside the kitchen to bring some food for the stranger.

She placed before him their own dinner. They had only four slices of bread and a glass of milk. "Take your food comfortably", said the oldman. The stranger began to eat. The old couple knew that they would have to go hungry that night but they were happy that the stranger ate all the food. In the end nothing was left but a bit of bread and a little milk. The stranger went outside the room.



The old man said to his wife, "It is evening now. Where will the stranger stay at night?" His wife heard but did not reply. She began to clear the dish. What did

she find ? All the four slices of bread were back and the glass was full of milk again.



The woman called his husband to show the dish and glass. Her husband was surprised to see the dish full of food and the glass full of milk. He said to his wife, "I saw the stranger ate all the food but now I find all the food back. What a wonder it is !" From that day, the old couple were never short of food.

### Activity – 2

**Answer the following questions.**

- i) Who lived there in a village ?
- ii) Who came to their house one day ?
- iii) The stranger asked for
  - (a) money
  - (b) food
  - (c) cloth
- iv) The couple said to the stranger,
  - (a) May come in
  - (b) Welcome !
  - (c) Wait for sometime

- v) What did the couple offer the stranger to eat ?
- Rice, dal and curry
  - Bread and curry
  - Four pieces of bread and a glass of milk.
- vi) What made the couple surprised ?
- vii) Do you like the couple ? If so, why ?

### Activity – 3: Let's talk

*Look at the pictures in the book. Describe the pictures in order. When you complete all the pictures it will be a story.*





Answer the following questions.

- i) Who are the persons mentioned in the story?
- ii) What did the stranger ask for?
- iii) Did the couple give him food?
- iv) Why were the oldman and his wife surprised?

#### Activity – 4 : Let's speak

*The teacher will instruct the learners to enact the following dialogue with action. One will act as the stranger and another will be the oldman.*

The stranger : Is there anybody in the house ?

The oldman : What do you want ?

The stranger : I have come from a long distance. I have not eaten anything.

The oldman : What do you want ?

The Stranger : May I have some food to eat ?

The oldman : "Welcome !"

The stranger : Thank you.

### Activity – 5: Let's write

- *Rearrange the following words / expressions into meaningful sentences.*

in a village / an oldman / lived / and / his wife / there.

a stranger / to their door / came / one evening / for some food / and asked.

the room / entered / the stranger.

called / her husband / the old woman / to show / the dishes / to him.

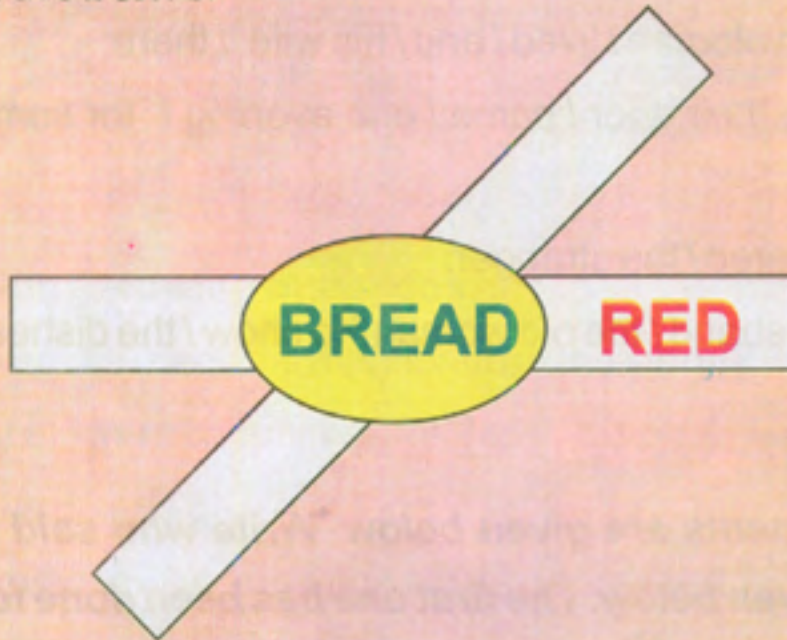
### Activity – 6: Let's write

*Some statements are given below. Write who said to whom in the space given below. The first one has been done for you.*

<u>Statements</u>	<u>Who said</u>	<u>Whom</u>
i) I've come from a long distance	The stranger	oldman
ii) 'Welcome'!		
iii) 'May I have some food to eat?'		
iv) "The man has not eaten anything today".		
v) "Take your food comfortably".		

### Activity – 7: Vocabulary

A word is given in the circle. More than one word can be made from this word. One example is given for you. Write the other words in the boxes.



### Activity – 8: Let's write

- Fill in the missing letters.

i) di — ta — ce

ii) h — ng — y

iii) we — c — me

iv) s — o — t

v) c — up — e

### Activity – 9: Riddle

Read aloud the riddles. Now guess and say who they are and write in the boxes.

- i) I have no wings  
but I can fly miles  
I am not a bird  
Who am I?

- ii) I eat grass  
run very fast  
who am I?

- iii) I light up the day  
make flowers gay  
who am I?

### Activity – 10

Ask your student to colour the picture given below.

