

So we stand in a circle.
I can feel my brother's
and sister's backs behind.
The lioness runs at me.
Then she jumps at me.
I lie on my friends'
backs and give her a strong kick.
The lioness flies away.
Fly, lioness, fly!



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Дорогие ребята!

Наверняка, вы уже прочли одну или две книжки на английском языке. Молодцы! Вы на верном пути! Ведь читать на английском не только увлекательно, но и полезно. Вы узнаете и легко запоминаете новые слова, вы научитесь правильно строить английские предложения, а задания после каждой главы закрепляют эти знания и умения.

Я надеюсь, что книга, которую вы сейчас держите в руках, вам понравится. Ее главными героями стали четыре забавных страусёнка. Они братья и сёстры. Страусёнок Хампти и его брат Дампти самые старшие в семье. Они сообразительные и находчивые. Их младшая сестрёнка Смайли добра и заботлива. Совсем не похожа на остальных

страусят их средняя сестра с очень странным именем. Каким? Начните читать прямо сейчас, и скоро сами всё узнаете.

Перевод заданий к упражнениям

Ask your teacher. — Спроси учителя.

Answer the questions. — Ответь на вопросы.

Choose right. — Выбери верно.

Circle the odd word out. — Обведи не подходящее по смыслу слово.

Circle the right word. — Обведи верное слово.

Circle the wrong word. — Обведи неподходящее слово.

Complete the poem with two rhyming words. — Дополни стихотворение рифмующимися словами.

Fill in the correct words from the chapter. — Вставь подходящие слова из главы.

Fill in the words. — Вставь слова.

Form the negative sentences. —

Построй отрицательные предложения.

Guess the riddles. — Отгадай загадки.

Match the opposites. — Соедини противоположные по смыслу слова.

Match the words. — Подбери пару.

Put the sentences in the right order. — Расставь предложения в правильном порядке.

Put the sentences in the right places. — Поставь предложения в правильные места.

True or False? — Верно или неверно?



Chapter 1

LIFE IN THE EGG

Hello, I'm an ostrich. I'm from Africa. I live in the grasslands. Now I'm grown-up, but I want to start my story from the very beginning. Here it is.

I'm sitting in an egg. It is big, and I'm big too. I'm tired of sit-

ting here. I want to get out. I hit the egg with my beak, but nothing happens. It is sometimes light and sometimes dark in the egg. When it is dark, I sleep. When it is light, I want to go out.

Now it is very light. I hit the egg with my beak again. Suddenly, there is a small hole in the wall of the egg. I take my beak out of the hole, and put my eye to it. I'm looking through the hole now. Wow! It's great there! I can see a lot of green grass, some green trees and bushes. There are different animals. They are walking in the grass. Some animals are eating the grass, some animals are eating the leaves. I can see a cheetah. It is lying in the tall grass. It is hiding from a zebra. The cheetah looks very hungry. Oh no! It wants to eat the zebra.

I look at the zebra. It is eating grass. It doesn't see the cheetah.

I'm very angry. I want to get out. I shake the egg. Suddenly the egg starts rolling. It is rolling and rolling, and I'm rolling too. Bang! The egg hits the cheetah on the back. The cheetah jumps up, turns round and looks at me. Of course, it can't see me. It can see only the egg.

It looks and looks and shows me its big ugly teeth. I'm afraid. I'm not looking at it now. I'm hiding inside the egg. I'm very quiet. The cheetah smells the egg, sneezes and walks away.

I turn the egg. I can see the zebra now. It is running away.

Oh no! Somebody is rolling me back! But I know her. She is my Mum. She is big and strong. She is very tall, too.

Now I'm at home again. There are three eggs around me. There is my brother and two sisters inside them.

It is dark now. I can hear my Dad. He comes home every evening. He helps my Mum a lot. He sits on the nest at night. Now Dad is sitting down on the nest. It is very dark. I'm tired, and I sleep.

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. Where is the ostrich?
2. Why does he want to get out?
3. When does he sleep?
4. What can he see through the hole?
5. Why does the cheetah want to eat the zebra?

6. What hits the cheetah?
7. Why is the ostrich quiet?
8. What is his Mum like?
9. How many sisters and brothers has he got?
10. How does Dad help Mum?

2 True or False?

1. The cheetah can see the ostrich.
2. The zebra is running away.
3. There are four eggs in the nest.
4. Mum sits on the nest by day.

3 Circle the odd word out.

1. zebra, giraffe, cheetah, antelope
2. grass, animal, tree, bush
3. happy, angry, afraid, tired
4. hit, hide, roll, hear

4 Match the words.

teeth	sneeze
eyes	smell
ears	hear
nose	bite
mouth and nose	see

5 Guess the riddle.

1. You can't touch it, but you can see through it.
2. It is a bird's nose.
3. It is the first house of a bird. It can break.
4. Birds make this house.

6 Fill in the words *at, with, through, on.*

1. He makes a hole _____ his beak.
2. She hits him _____ the back.
3. I can see _____ the hole.

4. The ostrich is looking _____ the cheetah.

Chapter 2

THERE ARE TWO OF US

I wake up and open my eyes. It is light again. I look through the hole and see another egg. There is a hole in that egg too. There is an eye in the hole. We are looking at each other. Now the eye winks at me. I wink too. I shake the egg, and it starts rolling. My brother does the same. I'm rolling to my brother, and he is rolling to me. There is a terrible noise! The eggs are a lot of white pieces now, and we are out! We are free! We are lying on the grass. I put up my beak and say to my brother, 'Hello!'

‘Hello!’ he answers.

Our Daddy is next to us. ‘Hi, sons,’ he says. ‘Let’s give you names.’

He turns away and cries, ‘Dear, come here. We have got two sons. We must give them names.’

This is the first time I can see our mother in the light. She is big and strong like our father. She is beautiful, too. She looks at us, winks at our Dad and says, ‘Let’s call them Humpty and Dumpty.’

‘OK,’ says Dad, ‘but who is Humpty?’

Our Mum looks at us again. She thinks and says, ‘Let’s ask them. So, which of you is Humpty?’

‘Me,’ we answer together.

‘No,’ says our Mum, ‘only one can be Humpty.’

‘Then, I am Dumpty,’ we say together.

‘My dear,’ says Mum. ‘We have got a problem with their names, but we have got very good sons.’

‘OK, you are Humpty,’ she points at me, ‘and you are Dumpty,’ she points at my brother.

‘Now, meet each other,’ says Dad.

‘Hello,’ I say to my brother, ‘I’m Humpty.’

‘Nice to meet you,’ he says, ‘I’m Dumpty.’

‘Nice to meet you too,’ I say, and we shake wings.

‘Good chicks,’ say our parents and smile.

Exercises

1 Put the sentences in the right order.

1. Our parents smile at us.
2. I open my eyes.

3. I am rolling to my brother.
4. Our parents give us names.
5. Our mother comes.
6. We are free.

2 Fill in the words *to* or *at*.

1. She is pointing _____ me.
2. They look _____ us.
3. She says _____ her brother.
4. Dad winks _____ his son.

3 Ask your teacher to tell you about Humpty Dumpty. Then complete the rhyme with the words *wall, again, fall, men*.

Humpty Dumpty sits on a
_____,
Humpty Dumpty has a great
_____.
All the King's horses, all
the King's _____
Can't put Humpty together
_____.

4 Circle the odd word out.

1. smile, wink, say, have
2. mother, name, father, son
3. lie, roll, sit, stay
4. head, arms, wings, legs

5 Form the negative sentences.

1. He is looking at me.
He _____.
2. Our parents smile.
Our parents _____.
3. Mum winks at Dad.
Mum _____.
4. We have got three sons.
We _____.
5. There are a lot of pieces.
There _____.
6. I can see my brother.
I _____.



Chapter 3

NAUGHTY LEGS

Dumpty and I are lying on the grass. Dad is looking at us.

‘It’s time to get up,’ he says.

I get up. Now I’m standing, but my legs don’t want to stand. They are shaking. I fall down on the grass. Dumpty is laughing.

‘It’s your turn now!’ says Dad.

Dumpty stops laughing. Now he gets up, but his legs are like mine. They start shaking, and he falls down too. He is laughing again.

‘Why are you laughing?’ asks Dad. ‘You can’t walk. It isn’t funny.’

‘But my legs don’t listen to me,’ laughs Dumpty.

‘Of course, they don’t. They haven’t got any ears,’ I say to Dumpty.

Dad looks at me, then at his legs.

‘I haven’t got any ears on my legs, but I can walk,’ he says.

It is interesting. I think and think. Suddenly I have an idea.

‘It is because you listen to your legs,’ I say. ‘You walk when they want to walk.’

‘Hmm,’ says Dad. ‘What about your legs? Don’t they want to walk?’

Dumpty and I listen to our legs. 'No, they don't,' we say together.

'But there are a lot of angry animals around us. If you can't run, they can catch and eat you.'

'How can they do it?' asks Dumpty. 'You are always with us.'

'Sometimes I sleep,' says Dad.

'Then there is Mum,' I say.

'She sometimes sleeps too,' says Dad.

'You can always do it in turn,' we say together.

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. Where are the ostriches lying?
2. Why does Humpty fall down on the grass?

3. Who has an idea?

4. What do the ostriches listen to?

5. Is it dangerous in Africa?

2 Complete the poem with two rhyming words.

Help me, my friend!

My legs can't _____,

I always fall

Because I'm _____.

3 Fill in the correct words from the chapter.

1. Tiger is an _____ animal.

2. I'm _____ on the sofa.

3. I'm _____ on the floor.

4. These trousers are too long for you. You can _____.

5. There is one swing in the garden. Children always swing in _____.

6. When elephants are running, the ground _____.
7. Stop _____. It isn't funny.

4 Speak about yourself.

1. Do you like laughing?
2. Do you shake when you laugh?
3. Do you like lying on the grass?
4. Are you often angry? When?

5 True or False?

1. Humpty falls on the grass.
2. Humpty and Dumpty are laughing.
3. Humpty and Dumpty can't stand.
4. Their legs are shaking because they are laughing.
5. Dad can walk because he has got ears on his legs.

6. Dumpty has an idea.
7. Angry animals can't catch you if you can run.

Chapter 4 AN UNGRATEFUL ANIMAL

It is a great day today. Dumpty's and my legs want to walk! They like it. They start running, but we always fall down.

Dad and Mum are happy. They are looking at us and smiling.

I start running again. Suddenly I can see a zebra. I look and look. I know it. It is my zebra! I run to it.

'Hello,' I say, 'I know you, but you don't know me. I'm Humpty.'

The zebra looks at me and says, 'But I don't want to know you.'

'Why?' I ask.

‘It is because we, zebras, are beautiful, clever animals. And you, ostriches, are ugly, silly birds.’

Suddenly I can see Dumpty. He is next to me now. He can hear the zebra’s words too.

‘First, clever animals don’t say bad things about other animals. Second, you aren’t beautiful. You have got a short thick neck,’ says he.

‘And no feathers,’ I say.

The zebra is angry. It wants to hit us, and it runs at us.

What is it? Our legs want to run too. Now we are running very fast. Suddenly our legs turn left, and the zebra turns left too. It almost falls. Then our legs turn right. The zebra can’t turn so fast. It falls down on the ground. Its legs are up in the air.

‘We are sorry. We can’t help you. You are too heavy, too,’ we cry to it and run away.

We come to our parents. ‘Dad, Mum! We can run now! And when we are running very fast, we can suddenly turn left or right.’

‘It is very good,’ say Dad and Mum, ‘only ostriches can do that.’

‘Do you want to know our teacher?’ we ask.

‘Yes,’ they say. ‘Who is it?’

‘It is that funny animal in the striped costume!’

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. Why is it a great day to-day?
2. Who does Humpty run to?
3. Where is Dumpty now?
4. Why does the zebra run at the ostriches?
5. What happens to the zebra?

6. Whose legs are in the air?
7. Who is their teacher?

2 Fill in the words *our, her, his, their, my, its, your* (2).

1. I can't walk. _____ legs are tired.
2. The cheetah shows _____ ugly teeth.
3. Parents love _____ children.
4. My sister's eyes are blue, and _____ hair is dark brown.
5. Children, put _____ books on the desks.
6. Phil is fat, but _____ son is slim.
7. We often visit _____ aunt.
8. Cindy, brush _____ hair, please.

3 Guess the riddles.

1. This animal is a striped horse.

2. It is where birds fly.
3. This person works at school.
4. You put it on for a party.
5. It is a big bird, but it can't fly.

4 Circle the odd word out.

1. zebra, ostrich, cheetah, lion
2. short, tall, long, heavy
3. beautiful, ugly, cute, handsome
4. tree, ground, bush, flower

5 Match the opposites.

beautiful	thick
silly	short
light	clever
slow	good
long	kind
bad	heavy
angry	fast
thin	ugly



Chapter 5

WHAT A NAME

It is very hot today. Our parents are standing, and we are lying on the grass. We are waiting for our sisters. They are still inside the eggs.

Mum and Dad are worried. Our sisters must come out, but they don't.

'Can we help them?' my brother and I ask.

'We can't help them,' says Dad. 'They must do it themselves.'

'I'm sure they are girls,' says Dumpty.

'How do you know?' asks Dad.

'They are not strong,' answers my brother.

'Yes, they are weak,' I say. 'We must help them. I'm sure they can't get out themselves.'

Suddenly we can hear a noise. There are two holes in one of the eggs. I can see two beautiful brown eyes in the holes. They are looking at me.

'Hello,' I say. 'I'm Humpty. And who are you?'

'Mmm,' says the egg. Then there is a loud noise again, and there is no egg now. There is a beautiful chick in front of us.

Of course, it is a girl. She is our sister. She has got very soft long feathers and a long spotty neck.

‘Let’s call her Beauty,’ says Mum.

‘No,’ says my sister, ‘I don’t like this name.’

‘What about Feathery?’ asks Dad.

‘No,’ she says again.

At this moment we can hear a terrible noise, and our other sister comes out of the egg. She is very beautiful too, but she is small. She’s smiling at us. Her smile is so nice and kind!

‘Hello, Smiley,’ I say, ‘nice to meet you.’

‘Smiley!’ she cries and smiles again. ‘I like it. It’s a nice name.’

‘Good girl,’ says Mum, ‘but we have a problem with your

sister. We can’t find a name for her.’

‘Let’s ask her,’ says Smiley. ‘What’s your name?’

Our big sister looks around and sees a very beautiful dragonfly. ‘What is this?’ she asks.

‘It’s a dragonfly,’ says Mum.

‘Then, my name is Dragonfly,’ says our sister.

‘Oh, it’s a very long name,’ says Dad. ‘We must make it short. We can call you Fly.’

‘Or Dragon,’ says Dumpty.

‘But I don’t want to have a dragon in the family!’ cries Dad.

‘And I want to be Dragon!’ says our sister and stamps.

‘OK,’ says Mum, ‘be Dragon if you like,’ and she winks at Dad.

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. What's the weather like today?
2. Why are Mum and Dad worried?
3. What is Smiley like?
4. What is Dragon like?
5. Why is her name Dragon?

2 Speak about yourself.

1. What is your name?
2. Do you like your name?
3. Would you like to change your name?

3 Match the words.

loud	girls
spotty	boys
soft	feathers
weak	neck
strong	smile
kind	noise

4 Fill in the words *must*, *mustn't*, *can*, *can't*.

1. We _____ help them. They are too weak.
2. You _____ be rude to your parents.
3. We _____ call her Beauty.
4. I _____ see you. It is very dark.
5. We _____ find a name for her.

5 Guess the riddles.

1. It is a spotty animal. It is very tall.
2. It is the bird's child.
3. This insect has got beautiful long wings, a long thin body and very big eyes.
4. They are the bird's clothes.
5. It is an ugly monster. It has got four legs and two wings.

Chapter 6

STRANGE GROWN-UPS

Today we are going out into the world. It is the first time Dad and Mum take us with them. We walk together. Then we see two very big ostriches. They are walking too. They are coming to us. Now we can see three small chicks with them. They are all girls.

Our parents stop. They talk to the big ostriches. They say, 'Oh, what beautiful daughters you have got! Their necks are so long! Their feathers are so soft! Their beaks are so thick!'

The big ostriches smile and say, 'And your daughters are so cute! They have got long legs and small bodies. Their smiles are so nice! And your sons are so strong!

Their eyes are so clever! Their heads are so round!'

I look at my brother, at his eyes and head, and I say, 'That is not true! We can't be strong because we are very small. We can't be clever because we are very young. And our heads aren't round because they are square. Why do you say that?'

Dad is looking at me. I can feel that. And he is very angry. But why? I look at him and ask, 'Dad, why are you angry with me?'

'Because you are rude, my son,' he answers.

'Why am I rude?'

'I don't know,' he says. 'I think it is because you are too small, too young, and your head is too square.'

I don't understand my Dad. Sometimes grown-ups are so strange!

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. How many chicks have the big ostriches got?
2. Have they got any sons?
3. Who talks to the big ostriches?
4. Who is angry with Humpty?
5. Why is he angry?
6. Does Humpty understand his Dad?

2 Fill in the words *me, him, his, her, them, their, our, us*.

1. Look at ____! I'm beautiful.
2. The birds are strong. ____ beaks are thick.
3. We love ____ daughters.
4. Don't listen to _____. She always says silly things.

5. We are angry with ____, and he is angry with ____.
6. He is looking at ____, and they are looking at ____.
7. He is small. ____ brother is small too.

3 Circle the odd word out.

1. round, oval, square, small
2. son, daughter, grown-up, father
3. rude, nice, bad, angry
4. smile, laugh, talk, smell
5. nose, beak, neck, feather

4 Match the words.

round	smile
square	ball
clever	box
strong	legs
nice	eyes

5 True or false?

1. Mum and Dad take the chicks with them again.
2. They can see five ostriches.
3. Mum and Dad talk to the big ostriches.
4. Humpty and Dumpty have got round heads.
5. Humpty doesn't understand his Dad.



Chapter 7 WHY DOES SHE RUN AWAY?

I'm hot and very thirsty. I come up to Dad and say, 'Dad, I'm hot and thirsty. Can we go and find water?'

'OK,' says Dad. 'Hide under my wings and tell your brother and sisters to hide there too.'

‘Hey, Dumpty, Smiley, Dragon, come here! It’s cool under Dad’s wings!’ I cry.

They run to us, and soon we are all together.

‘Let’s play hide-and-seek,’ says Dumpty.

‘Let’s,’ we say.

‘Humpty, you must look for us,’ says Dragon. Why not? I close my eyes.

It is very funny to hide in Dad’s feathers or between his legs. First I find Dumpty. Then I find Smiley. Oh, I can’t find Dragon. Where is she?

Suddenly we can hear a small voice, ‘Hello, can I play with you?’

We look and see a cute ostrich girl. I like her, and I say, ‘Of course, you can. Can you help me?’

‘Yes,’ she says and smiles. ‘What must I do?’

‘We must find Dragon,’ I answer.

The girl starts shaking, then, she cries, ‘Mummy!’ and runs away.

I look at Dumpty and Smiley. ‘Why doesn’t she want to find Dragon?’ I ask.

‘We don’t know,’ they answer.

Now we are looking for Dragon together, but we can’t find her.

Suddenly I can see Dragon. She is running between Mum’s legs and laughing at us.

‘I’m very clever,’ she cries.

Soon we come to a big river. There are a lot of animals next to the river. They are drinking water. There are antelopes, giraffes and elephants. They are big but kind. There are lions, too. Dad says they are angry. I look at Dad. He isn’t afraid of lions. He is very brave.

We come up to the river and drink. The water is tasty and cool. I want to play with the water. I go into the river.

‘Humpty, you mustn’t wet your body!’ cries Mum, ‘only your legs!’

My legs are in the water now. Smiley is looking at me. She is afraid.

‘Smiley, come here!’ I cry. ‘The water is soft and kind. My legs like it.’

Smiley goes into the water. She likes it. Dumpty is in the water too. Now all our legs are in the water.

Suddenly we can hear the small voice again, ‘Can I play with you?’

I turn round and see that cute ostrich girl.

‘I’m happy to see you again,’ I say. ‘Let’s play together. I’m

Humpty. This is Smiley, and that is Dumpty.’

‘Nice to meet you, I’m Softy,’ says the girl and smiles.

‘Wait,’ says Smiley, ‘we can’t start playing. We must call Dragon.’

‘Dragon!’ we cry. ‘Dragon, come here!’

There she is. Dragon is running to us.

‘Dragon,’ I say, ‘we’ve got a friend. Her name is Softy.’

I turn my head, but there is no Softy.

‘Where is your friend?’ asks Dragon.

‘I don’t know,’ I say and look around. Suddenly I can see Softy. She is running away very fast.

I’m very sad. I don’t know why, but I like Softy. I think she is very strange. First she wants to

play with us, but then she always runs away. Why?

Exercises

1 Circle the odd word out.

1. giraffe, antelope, elephant, lion
2. between, legs, opposite, next to
3. water, river, lake, sea
4. hot, cold, cool, soft

2 Match the opposites.

angry	usual
brave	kind
fast	afraid
hot	cold
strange	slow

3 Circle the right word.

1. *want to eat*: thirsty, hungry, hot

2. *want to drink*: hungry, hot, thirsty
3. *try to find*: run to, hide, look for
4. *nice to eat*: hot, tasty, strange
5. *want to laugh*: tasty, soft, funny

4 Answer the questions.

1. What's the matter with Humpty?
2. Where do the chicks hide?
3. What game do they play?
4. Who can't they find?
5. What are lions like?
6. How many legs are there in the water?
7. Why does Softy run away?

5 Speak about yourself.

1. How do you play hide-and-seek?

2. Do you like playing with water?
3. Are you afraid of lions? Why? Why not?

Chapter 8

LIVING STONES

- 1** Put the sentences (A, B, C) in the right places (1, 2, 3).

A Now she is standing next to us.

B 'We can run on them,' and she jumps on a stone.

C It's a pity I can't turn off the sun for you.

We are standing with our legs in the river. Dragon is looking at the water. Suddenly she says, 'Look! There are big brown stones in the water. (1)

I look at the stones. They are very interesting.

'Dragon, have stones got eyes?' I ask.

'Of course, they haven't,' she answers.

'Dragon, have stones got ears?' I ask my second question.

'Of course, they haven't. You are so silly, Humpty.'

'Dragon, have stones got nostrils?' I ask my third question.

She looks at me, puts her wing to her head and turns it there three times.

'Then, you aren't standing on a stone,' I say, 'because your stone is looking at me and listening to us. And it has got a big nose.'

'Ha-ha-ha!' cries Dragon. 'You are too hot. (2) _____.'

'Turn your head down and look,' I say.

Now Dragon is looking at the stone under her toes, and the stone is looking at her. Their eyes meet. Dragon is afraid. She is shaking.

‘Hel-lo,’ she whispers.

‘Mmm,’ says the stone.

‘Mmm-mummy!’ cries Dragon and jumps off the stone. (3) —

The stone starts growing. It grows and grows. Now it has got a fat body and a very big mouth.

‘Hello, I’m a hippo,’ says the stone.

‘And I’m Dragon,’ says my sister.

‘Dragon?’ asks the hippo and starts shaking. ‘Oh, I’m so afraid! Please don’t eat me, Dragon!’

Now he is laughing, but he looks very kind. I understand! He is playing with Dragon.

Dragon is very angry. She thinks he is laughing at her.

‘Let’s go, chicks!’ she says to us. ‘It’s silly to talk to a stone.’

The hippo can hear her words. He stops laughing. Now he looks sad. He says, ‘That’s why we live underwater.’ And he goes under the water again.

I feel very bad. My sister is sometimes so rude.

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. Where are they?
2. What can Dragon suddenly see?
3. Why are the stones interesting?
4. Who is standing on the stone?
5. What is the stone?

6. Why does Humpty feel very bad?

2 Put the sentences in the right order.

1. The hippo goes under the water.
2. There are big brown stones in the water.
3. Dragon is afraid.
4. Dragon jumps on a stone.
5. The stone is looking at Dragon.
6. Dragon is rude.
7. The stone is a hippo.

3 Guess the riddles.

1. This animal is very fat. It likes swimming underwater.
2. They are holes in your nose.
3. They are fingers of your feet.

4. They are big or small, round or square. Don't throw them; you can hurt your friend.

4 Circle the odd word out.

1. first, four, second, third
2. nostrils, eyes, mouth, toes
3. look, whisper, say, answer
4. stone, hippo, ostrich, lion

5 Fill in the words *whisper, nostrils, stones, toes, rude, turn off*.

1. It is sunny. _____ the light in the room.
2. I've got ten fingers and ten _____.
3. Don't _____. I can't hear you.
4. He often says bad words. He is _____.
5. We smell with our _____.
6. They like throwing _____ into the river.



Chapter 9

THEY WANT TO LIVE TOO

I want to see Softy. I want to ask her why she always runs away. I look around. I can't see her in the river. I can't see her near the river. I am very sad.

'Let's go home,' says Mum.

We get out of the water and walk home with Mum and Dad.

Suddenly a very small green animal jumps at me. It is very funny. It has got four short legs and two very long and strong legs. It has got very big, funny eyes, too.

'What's this?' I ask Dad.

'It's food,' he answers, 'very tasty food. Eat it.'

I look at the animal. It is sitting on my left leg and making a funny noise. I can't eat it. I'm sure it wants to live.

Suddenly I can see a big beak. The beak opens and catches the animal.

'Oh no!' I cry. I can see Dragon. The green animal is inside her beak.

'What are you doing?' I cry. 'Open your beak!'

'Mmm,' answers Dragon.

Then I take Dragon by the legs and shake her. Her beak

opens and the green animal jumps out.

‘Are you crazy?’ cries Dragon.

‘I’m fine, and you aren’t kind,’ I say. ‘Look! There are a lot of seeds and fruit in the grasslands. Why do you want to eat an animal?’

‘Because I like it,’ says Dragon.

‘No, you don’t. When you like somebody, you want to play with her or talk to her. You don’t want to eat her.’

‘Ha-ha-ha!’ laughs Dragon. ‘Humpty is in love! Dumpty, Smiley, listen! Humpty is in love! Who is she? Tell us!’

Now I am very angry. I want to hit Dragon, but I can’t. She is a girl.

Smiley looks at me. She understands me, and she says, ‘I’m

in love too. It is so nice to be in love.’

My brother Dumpty looks at us, then at Dragon and says, ‘I’m in love, too. That’s a pity you are not, Dragon.’

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. Who does Humpty want to see?
2. Where do they go with Mum and Dad?
3. What’s the funny animal like?
4. Why can’t Humpty eat the animal?
5. What does Dragon want to do?
6. How does Humpty help the animal?

7. Why can't Humpty hit Dragon?
8. Are Smiley and Dumpty Humpty's friends?

2 Circle the wrong word.

1. *bird's food*: grasslands, fruit, seeds, insects
2. *legs*: long, funny, strong, short
3. *beak*: crazy, big, thick, strong

3 Fill in the words *in, out, out of, around, at*.

1. He is _____ love!
2. It's very beautiful here! Look _____.
3. The water is cold. Let's get _____ it!
4. Look _____ her. She is winking _____ us.
5. The beak opens and the green animal jumps _____.

4 Form the negative sentences.

1. I look around.
I _____.
2. I'm very sad.
I _____.
3. A small green animal jumps at me.
A small green animal _____.
4. It's making a funny noise.
It _____.
5. There are a lot of seeds.
There _____.

5 True or False?

1. A small green animal jumps on Dragon's leg.
2. Dragon's beak opens and catches the animal.
3. Humpty helps the animal.
4. Dragon likes animals.
5. Smiley and Dumpty are in love.

Chapter 10

WHEN WE ARE TOGETHER

Today Mum and Dad are at home, and we are not. We are walking and looking around. It is very interesting in the grasslands. I look at the grass. There are a lot of those green animals there. Mum says they are insects. My green animal's name is a grasshopper. There are other animals, too. I can see ants, butterflies, spiders and snails. Some grasshoppers are jumping, some are singing. The ants are working. The butterflies are flying. The spiders are hunting. The snails are lazy. They are sleeping on the leaves or grass.

Together we are watching insects and other animals. Only

Dragon is not with us. She doesn't like watching small animals. She likes eating them. She can even eat a lizard.

We are very quiet. A butterfly sits down on Smiley's wing. It is so beautiful!

Suddenly I can feel danger. We are watching a butterfly, and a lioness is watching us.

'Smiley, Dumpty,' I whisper. 'There's a lioness behind us. She is hiding in the bushes.'

They look at me. They are afraid.

'What can we do?' they whisper to me.

'We must run very fast, and we must stay together.'

Now we are running, and the lioness is running after us. We can hear her behind us.

‘Humpty, she can catch us!’
cries Smiley.

Suddenly I have an idea. ‘Stop, chicks,’ I cry. ‘We must turn with our backs to each other and stand in a circle, wing in wing. When the lioness jumps at you, you lie on the backs and kick her with your legs.’

So we stand in a circle. I can feel my brother’s and sister’s backs behind. The lioness runs at me. Then she jumps at me. I lie on my friends’ backs and give her a strong kick. The lioness flies away. Fly, lioness, fly!

Now she is very angry. She is running around us. But every time when she jumps at us, she gets a strong kick and flies away. Then the lioness comes back again. It is strange. I think she likes flying.

At last she is very tired. She can’t catch us. She is still angry, but she walks away.

‘Well done, Humpty!’ say my brother and sister.

‘Well done, Dumpty and Smiley!’ I say.

We are very proud today. We are only small young ostriches, but, when we are together, we can fight a lion!

Exercises

1 Put the sentences in the right order.

1. The lioness walks away.
2. The lioness jumps at Humpty.
3. The ostriches stand in a circle.
4. The ostriches are watching insects and other animals.
5. A lioness is watching them.

6. The lioness runs after the ostriches.
7. The lioness gets a strong kick.
8. They are very proud.

2 Guess the riddles.

1. This insect makes a funny noise with its legs.
2. Children like catching this insect because its wings are very beautiful.
3. These insects live together and always work.
4. It isn't an insect. It's got a big beautiful house on its back.
5. It isn't an insect. It's got eight legs and hunts insects.

3 Circle the odd word out.

1. run, jump, walk, fight

2. spider, butterfly, ant, grasshopper
3. bushes, plants, trees, flowers
4. lizard, lioness, giraffe, antelope
5. sing, cry, whisper, laugh

4 Fill in the words *behind*, *at*, *in*, *after*, *on*, *around*.

1. Today I'm _____ home.
2. Look! A dog is running _____ a cat!
3. Let's stand _____ a circle and play with the ball.
4. She is sitting _____ the grass.
5. We run very fast, but they can't run so fast. So they are _____ us.
6. A big butterfly is flying _____ my head.

5 Match the words.

lie	mouth
kick	wings
catch	with your eyes
fly	hands
watch	back
whisper	foot

6 Speak about yourself.

1. Do you like watching insects and other small animals?
2. Do you catch butterflies? Why?
3. What is your favourite insect? Why?



Chapter 11

A RACE

We are at home again, but we don't want to have a rest. We want to run and play. Dad looks at us, smiles and says, 'Let's have a race.'

'What is a race?' I ask.

'It's when all the chicks run together to their Mum, and one

of them comes the first,' says Dad.

'I want to be the first,' says Dragon.

'I want to be the first, too,' says Dumpty.

'And I can be the fourth,' says Smiley. 'I don't want to be the first.'

'And you, Humpty?' asks Dad.

'I want to run. I like running,' I answer.

'Then let's start. Stand next to each other. One, two, three, go!'

We all start running to Mum. She is standing very far away. Smiley is running the first. She is in front of me. I look behind and see Dumpty. He is the third. Then there is Dragon.

Suddenly Dragon cries, 'Oh, my stomach!' We turn our heads. Dragon falls on the ground and

starts rolling, 'Oh, chicks, help me! I've got an awful stomach-ache!'

We run to Dragon. She looks terrible. All her feathers are dirty. Her eyes are closed.

Suddenly she opens them. 'Oh, dear brothers and sister, help me to get up, please,' she says.

We look at each other. It is the first time Dragon says 'please', and it is very strange. We take her by the wings and help her.

'Thank you,' she says. 'Now stand behind me, please. I'm afraid I can fall on my back.'

What's the matter with Dragon? Now she says 'thank you'! I'm sure she is really ill.

We stand behind her.

'Thank you,' she says again. 'I think my stomach is OK now.'

One, two, three, go!' she cries and starts running.

We look at each other. Then we understand everything. Naughty Dragon! We start running too. Dragon turns her head and laughs, 'Ha, ha, ha! You are too silly, my brothers and sister!'

Suddenly she is quiet. She stops running and sits down on the grass. Smiley and I are next to her now. We can hear a noise. Dragon is coughing. Her cough is terrible! Now Dumpty is with us too. We all hit her on the back again and again.

Suddenly a beautiful big butterfly flies out of her beak.

'Food is escaping!' cries Dragon and wants to get up, but starts coughing again. This time an orange dragonfly and a purple fly come out. Then a fat grasshop-

per jumps out. Now Dragon stops coughing.

'Again that green animal!' she cries and runs after the poor grasshopper.

'She keeps her mouth open when she is running,' says Smiley. 'It's very dangerous.'

'Yes,' I say, 'especially for insects.'

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. What do they want to do?
2. Who wants to be the first?
3. Why does Humpty want to have a race?
4. Who are they running to?
5. Has Dragon got a stomach-ache?

6. How many insects come out of Dragon's beak?

2 Fill in the words *next to, behind, in front of, between*

1. She is sitting on the sofa _____ her mother.
2. I'm running the first. My friends are _____ me.
3. In the photo I'm standing _____ my Mum and Dad.
4. She walks and walks and suddenly sees a big lake _____ her.

3 Circle the odd word out.

1. stomachache, head, ill, cough
2. head, stomach, back, stomachache
3. awful, terrible, quiet, dangerous
4. fly, dragonfly, butterfly, grasshopper

4 Match the words.

dirty	eyes
fat	cough
closed	feathers
awful	grasshopper
dangerous	lion

5 Match the opposites.

dirty	open
closed	noisy
fat	clean
quiet	fine
ill	thin

Chapter 12

A STORM

It is afternoon. It is very hot. We are at home. We are hiding under Dad's wings. Mum is away.

What is it? The sky isn't blue now. It is black.

‘What’s the matter?’ I ask Dad.

‘There are clouds in the sky,’ says Dad.

‘But why is it so dark?’ asks Dumpty.

‘It’s because the clouds are covering the sun,’ answers Dad.

Suddenly we can feel the air. The air is running.

‘Is the air afraid of the clouds?’ I ask Dad. ‘Why is it running?’

Dad smiles and answers:

‘The running air is the wind. I don’t know why, but it’s always very windy before a storm.’

‘What is a storm?’ asks Smiley. She is shaking. She is afraid of the strong wind. She doesn’t like the black clouds.

‘A storm is...’ Dad starts ... and stops. I can feel water on my beak.

‘Chicks, hide under my body!’ cries Dad, ‘and stand next to each other.’

‘Why must I stand next to them?’ asks Dragon. She doesn’t want to listen to Dad. Dad is angry.

‘Do what I say!’ he cries to Dragon. ‘You mustn’t walk in the rain!’

‘This is only water,’ she says and runs from under Dad’s wing.

‘Look! The air isn’t hot now. It’s cool. And the water is cool too.’

The rain is funny, but I must listen to Dad. So I don’t go to Dragon. Dumpty and Smiley listen to Dad too, they are under his body.

‘You are afraid of the water!’ cries Dragon. She is dancing in the rain and laughing at us.

You remember, when we go to the river, we never wet our bodies. Now Dragon is all wet. Her head is wet, her body is wet and her wings are wet. The water is running down her beak and her legs. We can't see any feathers. Where are they? Dragon isn't Dragon any more. She is thin and ugly. Her head is very small now. She is shaking because she is laughing at us. When she laughs, we only can see her big open beak. It is so big and her neck is so thin! We close our eyes and open them again, but nothing changes. There is no Dragon. Only that ugly laughing bird!

Suddenly the rain stops, but the air is still very cool. Soon our Mum comes. She looks at the bird and cries, 'Who is that?'

'That's Dragon,' answers Dad.

'Our Dragon?' asks Mum, and her beak opens.

'Of course, ours,' says Dad. 'No other ostriches have got dragons in their families.'

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. Where are they hiding?
2. What colour is the sky?
3. Why is it dark?
4. Who doesn't want to listen to Dad?
5. Why doesn't Humpty go to Dragon?
6. What is Dragon like now?
7. When does Mum come?

2 Circle the odd word out.

1. windy, rainy, ugly, cloudy
2. feel, see, hear, run

3. dark, cloudy, black, sunny
4. under, next to, behind, soon

3 True or False?

1. Mum isn't with the ostriches.
2. The sun is hiding behind the clouds.
3. There's water on Humpty's beak.
4. The air and the water are cool now.
5. Dragon's legs are wet.
6. That ugly laughing bird is Dragon.

4 Guess the riddles.

1. It is running air.
2. It is dark. It can cover the sun.
3. It is water. It falls from the sky.
4. It is heavy rain and strong wind together.

5 Speak about yourself.

1. Do you like it when it rains?
2. What do you do when it rains?
3. Why must you listen to your parents?
4. Is it good or bad to laugh at your friends?



Chapter 13

MAGIC

We wake up and open our eyes. It is morning. It is sunny and warm again.

‘Let’s play tag,’ says Smiley. She likes playing tag because she runs very fast. She runs faster than Dragon, Dumpty and me.

‘OK,’ say Dumpty and I. We

look at Dragon. She is shaking again.

‘Why are you laughing at us again?’ we ask.

‘I’m not laughing at you,’ says a strange voice. It isn’t Dragon’s voice. Her voice is high and loud, and this voice is low and quiet. We are afraid.

‘Who is speaking?’ we ask.

‘It’s me,’ answers the strange voice.

We look around, but we only can see Mum, Dad and Dragon.

Suddenly Smiley cries, ‘It’s Dragon’s voice! She has got a new voice.’

‘It’s magic,’ says Dumpty.

We look at Dragon. She looks strange. She is shaking, and her eyes are very bright.

‘Mum!’ cries Smiley. ‘What’s the matter with Dragon?’

Mum comes up to Dragon. She looks at her, touches her head and says:

‘Dragon, you are ill. You have got a cold. You’ve got a high temperature.’

‘I have got a headache, and a sore throat,’ says poor Dragon and sneezes.

‘And your nose is running,’ says Dad. ‘It’s the rain. Rains are very cold in Africa. You must never dance in the rain again. It’s dangerous.’

We are sorry for Dragon. She is sometimes very bad, but now she is so sad.

‘Don’t be sad, Dragon,’ says Dumpty. ‘We like your new voice. It’s so quiet.’

But Dragon isn’t happy. She starts crying.

‘We can bring you some sweet seeds,’ says Dumpty.

‘I think it’s very boring to be ill. So we can stay with you all day,’ smiles Smiley, ‘and tell you funny stories.’

‘And bring you water from the river,’ I say.

‘And brush your feathers for you,’ smiles Smiley.

What’s the matter? Dragon looks very strange again. I can’t understand why? I look and look, and suddenly I understand. Dragon is smiling. She has got a new face now, a kind, cute face! Oh, it’s magic!

Exercises

1 Guess the riddles.

1. When it is high, you are ill.

2. When you have it, your nose is running and you sneeze.
3. It's when your throat hurts.
4. It can be low or high, loud or quiet. People hear it when you speak.
5. It's a game when you run after each other and must touch somebody.

1 Match the opposites.

high	sad
quiet	loud
cute	low
new	warm
happy	ugly
cold	old
boring	funny

3 Circle the odd word out.

1. headache, sore throat, running nose, feather
2. tag, hide-and-seek, game, race

3. bright, yellow, orange, dark
4. magic, usual, unusual, strange

4 Match the words.

brush	stories
bring	seeds
touch	tag
tell	feathers
play	head

5 Answer the questions.

1. Do they play tag?
2. Is Dragon laughing at them again?
3. Why is Dragon shaking?
4. What's Dragon's voice usually like?
5. Why has Dragon got a new voice?
6. Are Dragon's brothers and sister kind?
7. Why has Dragon got a new face?

Chapter 14

A NEW NAME

So we stay with Dragon all day. Sometimes Dumpty goes and brings sweet seeds, or I go to the river and bring some water in my beak for Dragon. Smiley tells stories to her and brushes Dragon's feathers.

Mum stays with Dragon too. She keeps her warm when Dragon starts shaking, and covers her from the sun.

Dragon is better now. She listens to Smiley, eats the seeds and drinks the water. She isn't shaking any more.

Suddenly I can hear a voice. I know this voice. I like it. It is my favourite voice!

'Hello, why are you not playing today?' asks the voice.

I turn round and see Softy. I am very happy, and I say, 'because Dragon is ill.'

Suddenly Softy is very sad.

'I know,' she says, 'you don't want to play with me. You don't like me. I'm going away.'

She turns and starts walking away.

'Softy, please, don't go away!' I cry. 'I like you. You are so nice. Why do you always run away?'

'But...' says Softy, 'what about dragons? Why do you always talk about dragons when I want to play with you?'

'Because Dragon is our sister,' I say.

'What??' Softy's eyes become bigger than her head.

'Look! Here she is,' I say. 'She's ill today. We're staying

with her because it's very boring to be ill.'

Softy looks at Dragon. Dragon isn't that old Dragon any more. She is new Dragon now. She has got a kind smile.

'Are you Dragon?' asks Softy.

'Yes, I am,' answers Dragon.

'But dragons are ugly, angry monsters!' says Softy.

'What?' cries Dragon.

We can't see her smile any more. She is our old Dragon now.

'I'm not an ugly, angry monster, and you are...'

'Dragon,' says Mum, 'that ostrich girl is right. "Dragon" means a terrible, ugly monster. It likes eating other animals. It can even eat an ostrich. I think you should change your name.'

'Oh, now I understand why you always run away,' I say to Softy.

'Then it's true! You like me and want to play with me!' smiles Softy.

'Of course,' I smile at her.

Dragon is very quiet now. She looks at us, she looks at Mum, and then she says:

'I don't want to be Dragon any more. Help me to find a nice name.'

We can't believe our ears. Dragon is really asking us to help her.

'Do you like the sun?' asks Mum.

'Yes, I like it. It is very hot and dries us when we are wet,' says Dragon and coughs.

'Do you want to be Sunny?' asks Mum.

'Oh, that's great!' cries Dragon. 'I like this name.'

Our Dragon likes something! It is magic! Oh, I'm wrong, our sis-

ter isn't Dragon any more. Now she is Sunny!

Exercises

1 Fill in the words *faster, bigger, better, sadder, dirtier*.

1. The hippo is _____ than the zebra.
2. Smiley runs _____ than Dumpty.
3. Dragon's feathers are _____ than Humpty's.
4. Dragon is _____ than Smiley because she is ill.
5. The name "Sunny" is _____ than the name "Dragon".

2 Put the sentences in the right order.

1. Dragon has got a new name now.

2. Mum tells them what "Dragon" means.
3. The ostriches stay with Dragon.
4. Softy wants to play with them.
5. Dragon doesn't want to be Dragon any more.

3 Match the words.

change	your ears
turn	away
run	round
believe	your name
keep	warm

4 Fill in the words *should, shouldn't, want, don't want*.

1. You _____ be rude to your parents.
2. You _____ listen to your teacher.

3. They _____ to go to Africa.
4. We _____ to eat. We aren't hungry.

5 True or False?

1. Dumpty goes to the river and brings water for Dragon.
2. Mum stays with Dragon to tell stories.
3. Humpty likes Softy's voice.
4. Softy is going away because she doesn't want to play with the ostriches.
5. Dragon is angry with Softy.
6. Dragon asks the ostriches to help her.
7. Dragon likes her new name.



Chapter 15 A BIG DAY

Look at us! We are bigger now. Our legs are stronger. Dumpty is taller than Dad, and Smiley is fatter than Mum. We are almost grown-ups. We don't walk with Mum and Dad any more. We walk with other young ostriches. There are a lot of them in our group.

Softy is with us, too. No, she is with me. We want to be together all our life. We want to have a family. We want to have sons and daughters. I want to call my son and daughter Dump-ty and Smiley because I love my brother and sister. Softy has got a brother and a sister, too. Their names are Foody and Talley. It is because her brother likes eating and her sister is the tallest in the family. She is even taller than her father.

Two months pass. Softy and I have got a nest now. It is on the ground. There are three eggs in the nest. I guard our chicks at night, and Softy does it by day.

The great day comes. The first egg breaks into small pieces, and

we can see our son. He has got very big feet.

‘Our son is very clever,’ laughs Softy.

‘Why?’ I ask.

‘He knows our problem. Look, he’s got very big feet. So his name must be Footy. It’s half Foody and half Dumpty.

‘A good boy,’ I smile.

‘Here comes our daughter,’ says Softy when the second egg breaks.

‘Why is she so small?’ I ask. I am worried.

‘Don’t worry,’ says Softy. ‘She must be small.’

‘Why?’ I ask again.

‘Think, dear,’ says Softy.

I think and think, and then I understand:

‘It’s because her name must be Smalley. It’s half Smiley and half Talley.’

‘Yes,’ says Softy. ‘Our children are very young but very clever.’

We look at the third egg. It is breaking now too. Our second daughter is coming out. She is cute. She has got yellow feathers and a long slim neck.

‘Let’s call her Slimmy,’ says Softy.

‘No,’ says our daughter, ‘I don’t like this name.’

‘What about Yellow?’ I ask.

‘No,’ she says again.

‘Oh no,’ I cry. ‘It’s Dragon!’

Our daughter looks at the sky and sees the sun.

‘What is this?’ she asks.

‘It’s the sun,’ answers Softy.

I am very quiet now. I am looking at my daughter. I can see her nice face. Of course, she isn’t Dragon.

‘My name is Sunny,’ she says and smiles.

Exercises

1 Answer the questions.

1. What have Humpty and Softy got?
2. Where is their nest?
3. What is their son like?
4. Why must he have the name “Footy”?
5. Why is Humpty worried?
6. What name does their second daughter like?

2 Fill in the words *stronger*, *the biggest*, *fatter*, *the tallest*, *the kindest*.

1. Softy’s smile is _____.
2. My Dad is _____ than my Mum.

3. The hippo is _____ than the lion.
4. He is very tall. He is _____ boy in the school.
5. The elephant is _____ animal on the land.

3 Circle the odd word out.

1. stronger, bigger, happier, kindest
2. happier, funnier, dirtier, fattest
3. sky, sun, moon, star
4. feet, head, toe, hand
5. smile, must, break, guard

4 Fill in the words *into*, *out*, *at*, *by*.

1. I sleep _____ night.
2. The egg can break _____ pieces.
3. I always walk _____ day.
4. Come _____ ! Let's play!

5 Speak about yourself.

1. Do you think Dragon is a nice name? Why?
2. Do you like Humpty's stories? Why?
3. Which is your favourite ostrich? Why?

Vocabulary

A

about [ə'baʊt] о, об
afraid [ə'freɪd] испуганный
after ['ɑ:ftə] за, после
afternoon ['ɑ:ftənʊ:n] день
again [ə'geɪn], [ə'geɪn] снова, опять
air [eə] воздух
all [ɔ:l] все
almost ['ɔ:lməʊst] почти
always ['ɔ:lweɪz] всегда
angry ['æŋɡrɪ] злой, сердитый
animal ['ænɪməl] животное
another [ə'nʌðə] другой, ещё один
answer ['ɑ:nsə] ответить, ответ
ant [ænt] муравей
antelope ['æntɪləʊp] антилопа
any ['eni] любой, какой-то; сколько-нибудь
arm [ɑ:m] рука
around [ə'raʊnd] вокруг
ask [ɑ:sk] спросить

away [ə'weɪ] прочь
awful ['ɔ:ful] ужасный

B

back [bæk] спина; назад
bad [bæd] плохой
bang [bæŋ] ба-бах (звук удара)
beak [bi:k] клюв
beautiful ['bjʊ:təfəl] красивый
beauty ['bjʊ:tɪ] красавица
because [bi'kɒz] потому что
before [bi'fɔ:] прежде, перед тем
beginning [bi'ɡɪnɪŋ] начало
behind [bi'haɪnd] за, сзади
believe [bi'li:v] верить
better ['betə] лучше
between [bi'twi:n] между
big [bɪɡ] большой
bird [bɜ:d] птица
black [blæk] чёрный
blue [blu:] синий, голубой
body ['bɒdɪ] тело
boring ['bɔ:ɪŋ] скучный

brave [breiv] смелый
break ['breik] разбить(ся)
bright ['braɪt] яркий, блестящий
bring [brɪŋ] принести
brother ['brʌðə] брат
brown [braʊn] коричневый
brush [brʌʃ] расчёсывать
bush [bʊʃ] куст
butterfly ['bʌtəflaɪ] бабочка

C

call [kɔ:l] называть, позвать
can [kæn] мочь, уметь
catch [kæʃ] ловить, поймать
change [tʃeɪndʒ] менять
cheetah ['tʃi:tə] гепард
chick [tʃɪk] птенец
child ['tʃaɪld] ребёнок
circle ['sɜ:kl] круг
clever ['kleɪvə] умный
close [kləʊz] закрыть
closed [kləʊzd] закрытый
clothes ['kləʊðz] одежда

cloud [klaʊd] туча, облако
cold [kəʊld] холодный
a cold простуда
come [kʌm] прийти, приходить
cool [ku:l] прохладный; прохладно
costume ['kɒstjʊm] костюм
cough [kɒf] кашлять
cover ['kʌvə] закрывать
crazy ['kreɪzi] сумасшедший
cry [kraɪ] кричать; плакать
cute [kju:t] симпатичный

D

dance [da:ns] танцевать
danger ['deɪndʒə] опасность
dangerous ['deɪndʒərəs] опасный
dark [da:k] тёмный
daughter ['dɔ:tə] дочь
dear [diə] дорогой
different ['dɪfrent] разный
dirty [dɜ:ti] грязный
down [daʊn] вниз
dragon ['dræɡən] дракон

dragonfly [ˈdræɡənflaɪ] стрекоза

drink [drɪŋk] пить

dry [draɪ] сухой; сушить

E

each other [i:tʃ ˈʌðə] друг друга,
друг с другом

ear [ɪə] ухо

eat [i:t] есть, кушать

egg [eg] яйцо

elephant [ˈelɪfənt] слон

escape [ɪsˈkeɪp] сбежать

especially [ɪˈspeʃəli] особенно

evening [ˈiːvniŋ] вечер

every [ˈevri] каждый

everything [ˈevriθɪŋ] всё

eye [aɪ] глаз

F

face [feɪs] лицо

fall [fɔ:l] падать

family [ˈfæmɪli] семья

far [fɑ:] далёкий; далеко

fast [fɑ:st] быстрый

fat [fæt] толстый

favourite [ˈfeɪvərɪt] любимый

feather [ˈfeðə] перо

feel [fi:l] чувствовать

feet [fi:t] ступни

fight [ˈfaɪt] сразиться

find [ˈfaɪnd] найти

fine [faɪn] хороший, здоровый

finger [ˈfɪŋɡə] палец руки

first [fɜ:st] первый, сначала

floor [ˈflo:] пол

fly [flaɪ] летать; муха

free [fri:] свободный

friend [frend] друг

from [frɒm] от, из

front [frʌnt] перед

in front впереди

fruit [fru:t] фрукт

funny [ˈfʌni] смешной, забавный

G

game [geɪm] игра

get out [ˈgetˈaʊt] выбраться
get up [ˈgetˈʌp] встать
giraffe [dʒɪˈrɑ:f] жираф
girl [gɜ:l] девочка
give [ɡɪv] давать
go [ɡəʊ] идти
good [ɡʊd] хороший
grass [ɡrɑ:s] трава
grasshopper [ˈɡrɑ:s,hɒpə] кузнечик
grassland [ˈɡrɑ:slænd] саванна
great [ɡreɪt] великолепный
green [ɡri:n] зелёный
ground [ɡraʊnd] земля
group [ɡru:p] группа
grow [ɡrəʊ] расти
grown-up [ˈɡrəʊnʌp] взрослый

Н

half [hɑ:f] половина; наполовину
happen [ˈhæpən] происходить
happy [ˈhæpɪ] счастливый, радостный
have (got) [hæv] иметь
head [hed] голова

headache [ˈhedeɪk] головная боль
hear [hiə] слышать
heavy [ˈhevi] тяжёлый
help [help] помочь
here [hiə] здесь, сюда; вот
hide [haɪd] прятаться
hide-and-seek [ˌhaɪdəndˈsi:k] прятки
high [haɪ] высокий
hippo [ˈhɪpəʊ] бегемот
hit [hɪt] ударять
hole [həʊl] дырка, отверстие
home [həʊm] дом
 at home дома
hot [hɒt] жаркий; жарко; горячий
hungry [ˈhʌŋɡri] голодный
hunt [hʌnt] охотиться
hurt [hɜ:t] причинять боль; болеть

И

idea [aɪˈdiə] идея, мысль
if [ɪf] если
ill [ɪl] больной
insect [ˈɪnsekt] насекомое

inside [in'said] внутри, внутрь
interesting ['intrɪstɪŋ] интересный
into ['ɪntə], ['ɪntu] в, во

J

jump [dʒʌmp] прыгать

K

keep [ki:p] держать, хранить
kick [kɪk] ударить ногой
kind [kaɪnd] добрый
know [nəʊ] знать

L

lake [leɪk] озеро
land [lænd] суша; земля
last [lɑ:st] последний
 at last наконец
laugh [lɑ:f] смеяться
lazy ['leɪzi] ленивый
leaf [li:f] лист (дерева)
leaves [li:vz] листья
left [left] левый; налево

leg [leg] нога
let's ['lets] давай(те)
lie [laɪ] лежать
life [laɪf] жизнь
light [laɪt] свет; светлый; светло
like [laɪk] нравиться
like [laɪk] подобный; подобно; похожий
lion ['laɪən] лев
lioness ['laɪənɪs] львица
listen ['lɪsn] слушать
live [lɪv] жить
living ['lɪvɪŋ] живой
lizard ['lɪzəd] ящерица
long [lɒŋ] длинный, долгий
look [lʊk] смотреть; выглядеть
look for ['lʊk'fɔ:] искать
(a) lot of ['lɒt'ɒv] много
loud [laʊd] громкий
love [lʌv] любить
 be in love влюбиться
low [ləʊ] низкий
lying ['laɪɪŋ] лежащий

M

magic ['mædʒɪk] волшебный; волшебство

make [meɪk] делать, создавать

matter ['mætə] дело, проблема

what's the matter? в чём дело?

mean [mi:n] означать

meet [mi:t] знакомиться, встречать(ся)

mine [maɪn] мой

moment ['məʊmənt] момент

monster ['mɒnstə] чудовище

month ['mʌnθ] месяц

morning ['mɔ:nɪŋ] утро

mother ['mʌðə] мама

mouth [maʊθ] рот

must [mʌst] должен

N

name [neɪm] имя

naughty ['nɔ:ti] озорной, непослушный

neck [nek] шея

nest [nest] гнездо

never ['nevə] никогда

new [nju:] новый

next to ['nekst'tu:] рядом

nice [naɪs] приятный; приятно

night [naɪt] ночь

noise [nɔɪz] шум

nose [nəʊz] нос

nostril ['nɒstrɪl] ноздря

nothing ['nʌθɪŋ] ничего

now [naʊ] сейчас, теперь

O

of course [ɒv'kɔ:s] конечно

often ['ɒfn] часто

only ['əʊnli] только

open ['əʊpən] открыть; открытый

opposite ['ɒpəzɪt] напротив; противоположный

orange ['ɒrɪndʒ] оранжевый

ostrich ['ɒstrɪtʃ] страус

other ['ʌðə] другой

out [aʊt] снаружи, наружу

P

parents ['peərənts] родители

party ['pɑ:ti] вечеринка; праздник

pass [pɑ:s] пройти (о времени)
photo ['fəutəv] фотография
piece ['pi:s] кусок, кусочек
pity ['piti] жалость
 that's a pity как жаль
play [plei] играть
point [point] указать, показать
poor ['puə] бедный
problem ['prɒbləm] проблема
proud [praʊd] гордый
purple ['pɜ:pl] пурпурный, фиоле-
 ТОВЫЙ

put [put] класть, ставить
put up ['put'ʌp] поднимать

Q

question ['kwestʃn] вопрос
quiet ['kwaɪət] тихий

R

race [reɪs] гонки, бег наперегонки
rain [reɪn] дождь
really ['riəli] действительно, на са-
 мом деле

remember [rɪ'membə] помнить
rest [rest] отдых
 have a rest отдыхать
right [raɪt] правый; направо; прав
river ['rɪvə] река
roll [rəʊl] катиться
round [raʊnd] круглый
rude [ru:d] грубый
run [rʌn] бегать, бежать
running nose ['rʌnɪŋ'nəʊz] насморк

S

sad [sæd] грустный
same ['seɪm] тот же самый
say [seɪ] сказать
second ['sekənd] второй
see [si:] видеть
seed [si:d] семя
shake [ʃeɪk] трясти(сь)
short [ʃɔ:t] короткий; низкий
should [ʃʊd] следует, нужно
show [ʃəʊ] показать
silly ['sɪli] глупый

sing [sɪŋ] петь
sister ['sɪstə] сестра
sit [sɪt] сидеть, сесть
sky ['skaɪ] небо
sleep [sli:p] спать
slim [slɪm] стройный
small [smɔ:l] маленький
smell [smel] нюхать; пахнуть
smile [smaɪl] улыбаться; улыбка
snail [sneɪl] улитка
sneeze [sni:z] чихать
so [səʊ] итак, поэтому
sofa ['səʊfə] диван
soft [sɒft] мягкий; тихий
some [sʌm] немного, несколько
somebody ['sʌmbədi] кто-нибудь,
кто-то
something ['sʌmθɪŋ] что-нибудь,
что-то
sometimes ['sʌmtaɪmz] иногда
soon [su:n] скоро, вскоре
sore throat ['sɔ:θrəʊt] ангина, вос-
палённое горло

(be) sorry for ['sɒrɪ'fɔ:] жалеть, со-
жалеть
I'm sorry мне жаль, извините
speak [spi:k] говорить
spider ['spaɪdə] паук
spotty ['spɒti] пятнистый
square [skweə] квадратный
stamp [stæmp] топать
stand [stænd] стоять
star [stɑ:] звезда
stay [steɪ] оставаться; находиться
still [stɪl] всё ещё
stomach ['stʌmək] живот
stomachache ['stʌməkeɪk] боль в
животе
stone [stəʊn] камень
stop [stɒp] остановиться; перестать
storm [stɔ:m] буря
story ['stɔ:ri] история
strange ['streɪndʒ] странный
striped [straɪpt] полосатый
strong [strɒŋ] сильный
suddenly ['sʌdnli] вдруг

sun [sʌn] солнце
sunny ['sʌni] солнечный
sure [ʃʊə] уверенный, уверен
sweet [swi:t] сладкий
swing [swɪŋ] качели

T

tag [tæg] салки
take [teɪk] взять, брать
take out ['teɪk'ʌt] вынимать
talk [tɔ:k] говорить
tall [tɔ:l] высокий
tasty ['teɪsti] вкусный
teacher ['ti:tʃə] учитель
teeth [ti:θ] зубы
tell [tel] сказать, рассказать
temperature ['temprɪtʃə] температура
terrible ['terɪbl] ужасный
than [ðæn] чем
that's why ['ðætswaɪ] вот почему
themselves [ðəm'selvz] сами, самих
then [ðen] тогда, затем, потом
thick [θɪk] толстый

thin [θɪn] худой, тонкий
thing [θɪŋ] вещь
think [θɪŋk] думать
third [θɜ:d] третий
thirsty ['θɜ:sti] испытывающий жажду
those [ðəʊz] те
through [ðəʊ] сквозь, через
tiger ['taɪgə] тигр
time [taɪm] раз, время
tired ['taɪəd] усталый
today [tə'deɪ] сегодня
toe [təʊ] палец ноги
together [tə'geðə] вместе
too [tu:] тоже, также; слишком
touch [tʌtʃ] трогать
tree [tri:] дерево
trousers ['traʊzəz] брюки
true [tru:] правдивый
turn [tɜ:n] повернуть
turn round ['tɜ:n'raʊnd] обернуться
turn off ['tɜ:n'ɒf] выключить
turn [tɜ:n] очередь
in turn по очереди

U

ugly [ˈʌɡli] некрасивый, уродливый
under [ˈʌndə] под
understand [ˌʌndəˈstænd] понимать
ungrateful [ʌnˈɡreɪtful] неблагодарный

V

very [ˈveri] очень, самый
voice [vɔɪs] голос

W

wait [weɪt] ждать
wake [weɪk] проснуться
walk [wɔ:k] ходить
wall [wɔ:l] стена, стенка
want [wɒnt] хотеть
warm [wɔ:m] тёплый
watch [wɒtʃ] наблюдать
water [ˈwɔ:tə] вода
weak [wi:k] слабый
well done! [ˌwelˈdʌn] молодец!
wet [wet] мочить; мокрый
which [wɪtʃ] который

whisper [ˈwɪspə] шептать

white [waɪt] белый

wind [waɪnd] ветер

windy [ˈwɪndi] ветрено

wing [wɪŋ] крыло

wing in wing держась за кры-
лья, крыло в крыле

wink [wɪŋk] подмигнуть

with [wɪð] с, при помощи

word [ˈwɜ:d] слово

work [wɜ:k] работать

world [wɜ:ld] мир

worried [ˈwʌrɪd] обеспокоенный

worry [ˈwʌrɪ] беспокоиться

wow [waʊ] ух ты, вот это да

wrong [rɒŋ] неверный

Y

yellow [ˈjeləʊ] жёлтый

young [jʌŋ] молодой

Z

zebra [ˈzi:brə] зебра

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