

'Learn Jainism' Teachers' Notes

Using Cloze in 'Jain Tales'

Cloze tests are a popular way of judging a pupil's understanding of the text and of extending their vocabulary. We have provided you with a spread from the story of 'Monkey and Sugari' with several words blocked out. There is also the complete spread so that you can see what the original words were.

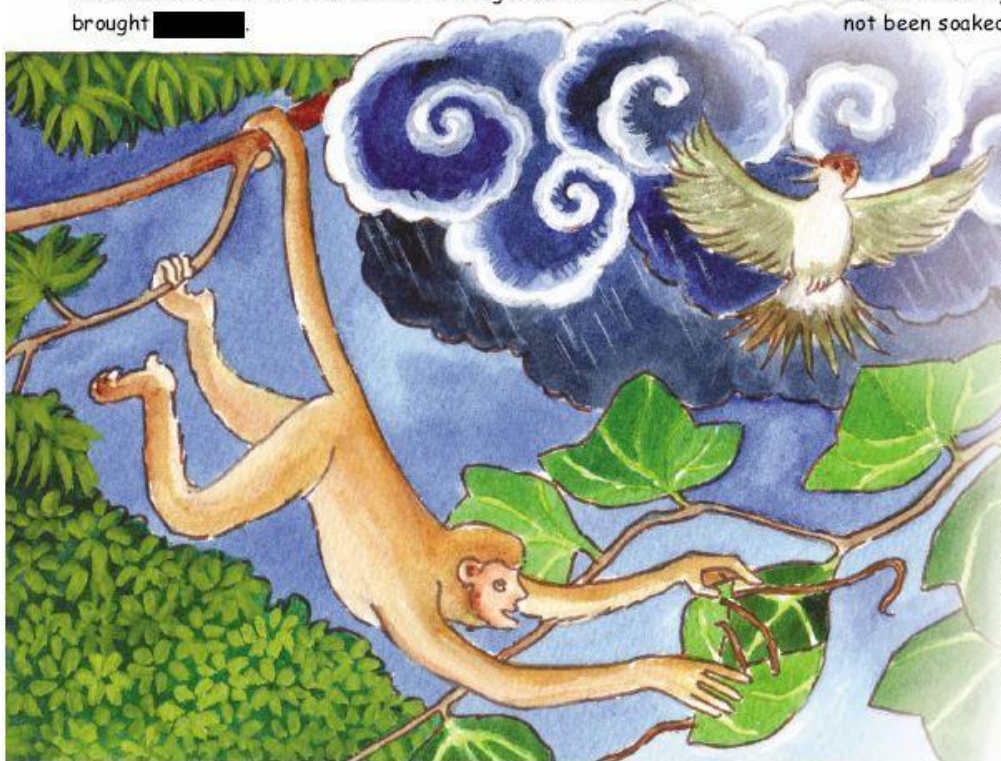


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Monkey & Sugari continued...

At the same time the tailor bird, Sugari, had been [REDACTED]. All through the summer she concentrated on building her nest. She spent quite a while finding the right place for her nest. First of all she had to choose the [REDACTED] leaf that she could find. It wasn't easy. Sugari was very fussy and wanted nothing less than the very largest leaf. She then [REDACTED] together thin strips of plants and even abandoned cobwebs. [REDACTED] she wove them in and out of the leaf so that the edges of the leaf were brought [REDACTED].

Inside she built a nest out of grass. Only when she had completed everything to her [REDACTED] did she finally settle down in her new nest. Soon the long hot days gave way to the monsoon season. The clear [REDACTED] sky was covered by thick clouds and the rain began to fall. It fell [REDACTED] for days and days. Every creature that could find shelter took cover. Sugari [REDACTED] into her nest and, feeling dry and warm, watched Monkey run around trying to find somewhere that had not been soaked by the monsoon.



Monkey was soon very wet and very cold.

"You should have built a nest like me. Then you'd be dry" Sugari called out to Monkey. Monkey shivered and [REDACTED] her. Sugari carried on shouting at Monkey. "It's nice and dry in here, you know. If you hadn't wasted your time messing about then you could be dry right now". Monkey became [REDACTED] with Sugari. "Why don't you just keep quiet and leave me alone?" he cried out. But Sugari didn't stop. "I bet you wish you had a nest just like mine".

Monkey was now so angry with Sugari that he could not control his temper any longer. He climbed up the tree and [REDACTED] hold of the Sugari's nest. He began to pull at the strips and cobwebs that held the nest together. Sugari flew away and watched in horror as Monkey destroyed her nest.

Monkey & Sugari continued...

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Inside she built a nest out of grass. Only when she had completed everything to her satisfaction did she finally settle down in her new nest. Soon the long hot days gave way to the monsoon season. The clear blue sky was covered by thick clouds and the rain began to fall. It fell heavily for days and days. Every creature that could find shelter took cover. Sugari squeezed into her nest and, feeling dry and warm, watched Monkey run around trying to find somewhere that had not been soaked by the monsoon.



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