



### Chapter 3

#### Worksheet 1

**A. State whether the following statements are true or false.**

1. The story is set in the early 1980s, specifically during the 1983 Cricket World Cup final.
2. Saccho is immediately allowed to play cricket with the older boys in the central park.
3. Saccho admires John McEnroe and is known as Junior McEnroe in his residential society.
4. The boys continue playing cricket in their makeshift pitch without any interruptions from Laxman Kaka.
5. The third-floor flat of the Usha Kal building is filled with people watching the World Cup final on a black-and-white TV.

**B. Choose the correct option.**

1. How do we know that the occupant of the flat likes cricket and/or the children?
  - a) The occupant immediately scolds the children for breaking the window.
  - b) The occupant pulls out the rubber ball and throws it back through the window.
  - c) The occupant comes out to join the game.
  - d) The occupant ignores the broken window entirely.
2. What does paragraph 22 give us an idea of?
  - a) The importance and excitement of India's World Cup win.
  - b) The disappointment of the Indian team losing.
  - c) The boredom of watching cricket on TV.
  - d) The routine Sunday morning activities.
3. Whom would you call the Tendulkar in the country now? What does that suggest about the time in which this story is based?
  - a) Sachin Tendulkar, suggesting the story is set in the early 2000s.
  - b) Vijay Tendulkar, suggesting the story is set in the early 1980s.
  - c) An unknown cricketer, suggesting the story is set in the future.
  - d) Kapil Dev, suggesting the story is set in the late 1980s.



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### Worksheet 2

Match the following words or phrases with its meaning.

Ricochets	Move into or through a place, roughly and forcefully
Dispersed	Making people feel fear and/or respect by being impressive and powerful
Makeshift	Slower or less lively than usual
Barge	People who are interested
Expectantly	Taking place very quickly, one after another
Puppy-dog eye	Hits a surface and moves off fast in a different direction
Sluggish	Something very easy to achieve
Quick-fire	A certain place and position taken by a batsman when ready to bat
Takers	Moved apart and away in different directions, usually over a wide area
Cakewalk	Used temporarily for a particular purpose
Formidable	A person or team thought to be weaker and therefore to have little chance of winning
Outlandish	Hopefully, in a way that showed he was expecting, waiting or hoping for something
Underdog	Very interesting; taking up all one's attention
Engrossing	Term uses to mean that the boy had an innocent and hopeful expression that could melt his brother's heart
Leg-stump guard	Very strange and unusual



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#### Grammar Worksheet

**A. Place the adverbs given in brackets in the correct places in the sentences.**

1. I am invited to join the dance group. (often)

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2. They will be attending the show . (tomorrow)

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3. I have finished doing my homework. (almost)

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4. I don't think I can give him your message. I meet him. (rarely)

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5. We go to the mountains in summer. (usually)

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6. She realised her mistake. (at once)

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**A. Underline the adverbs and state their kind.**

1. The rabbit watched us calmly.

2. I visit my grandparents often.

3. Can you come back tomorrow?

4. Shaz had almost completed the work.

5. The task is extremely difficult.

6. They agreed happily to the plan.