

**Welland Gouldsmith School Patuli**

**English Literature Worksheet**

**Class – III**

**THE CAMEL AND THE JACKAL**

A camel and a jackal were very good friends. One day they decided to go to the other side of the river to a sugar-cane field to have a sumptuous meal. When they reached the sugar-cane field the camel walked slowly to eat the sugar-cane while the jackal ran up and down the river bank eating all the crabs, dead fish and bones. After finishing his meal quickly, the jackal started howling and yelping with all his strength. Soon the villagers arrived with sticks. The cunning jackal hid himself among the plants but the poor camel was beaten black and blue. On the way back in the river when they were in the mid-stream and the water was deep the camel said, " Friend jackal , that was a fine way in which you behaved with me. No sooner had you finished your own dinner , you went howling all over the place, loud enough to arouse the villagers to come and thrash me so severely. Why did you make that noise? Well.... I don't know. it's my habit to always sing and dance a bit after every meal, " the jackal replied.

When the camel had swum to the deepest part of the river, he turned to the jackal and said, "My Friend Jackal , I feel very anxious to roll over."

"Oh! Oh pray don't do that!" the jackal cried out, alarmed. " You are very well aware that a jackal cannot swim. Why do you want to roll over , in the middle of the river."

" Well , I don't know," answered the camel. " It's my habit to always have a little roll after a meal. Saying this the camel rolled over in the river. The jackal got drowned but the camel swam safely ashore.

**( Work to be done in English literature exercise book. )**

**Question nos. 3 and 4 to ne done in the text book.**

1. **Make meaningful sentences of your own with the given words:-**

- a) river
- b) quickly
- c) villagers
- d) angry
- e) chased

2. **Give meaning for the following words:-**

- a) Ambled

- b) Alarmed
- c) Howling
- d) Peril
- e) Pray
- f) Quoting
- g) Severely

**3. Fill in the boxes with the help of the clues:-**

- a) a long wailing cry
- b) walked without hurry
- c) danger
- d) saying the exact words
- e) harshly

**4. Give one word for the words underlined so as to shorten each of the following sentence:-**

- a) on the other side of the river.
- b) finished his meal quickly.
- c) To stop the jackal from scratching holes and spoiling the roots of the sugar-cane plants.
- d) You are well aware.
- e) So-called friend.

**5. Why were the following words spoken? ( Ex . 4A1 )**

- a) “ Let us go to this field, “ the jackal said to the camel.
- b) “ Friend Jackal, that was a fine way in which you behaved with me,“ the camel said.
- c) “Oh! Oh! pray don't do that,“ the jackal cried out alarmed.

**Ex. B) What moral does this fable teach us?**