

**Girls' High School and College,
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Worksheet No. 4

Session- (2020-21)

Class 2 (A – F)

Subject- English Literature

Topic – Smoky Smells Success

Instructions- Parents are requested to make the child read and understand the lesson and the related explanatory exercises and then do the exercises.

Listen carefully as the story is read out to you by your teacher.

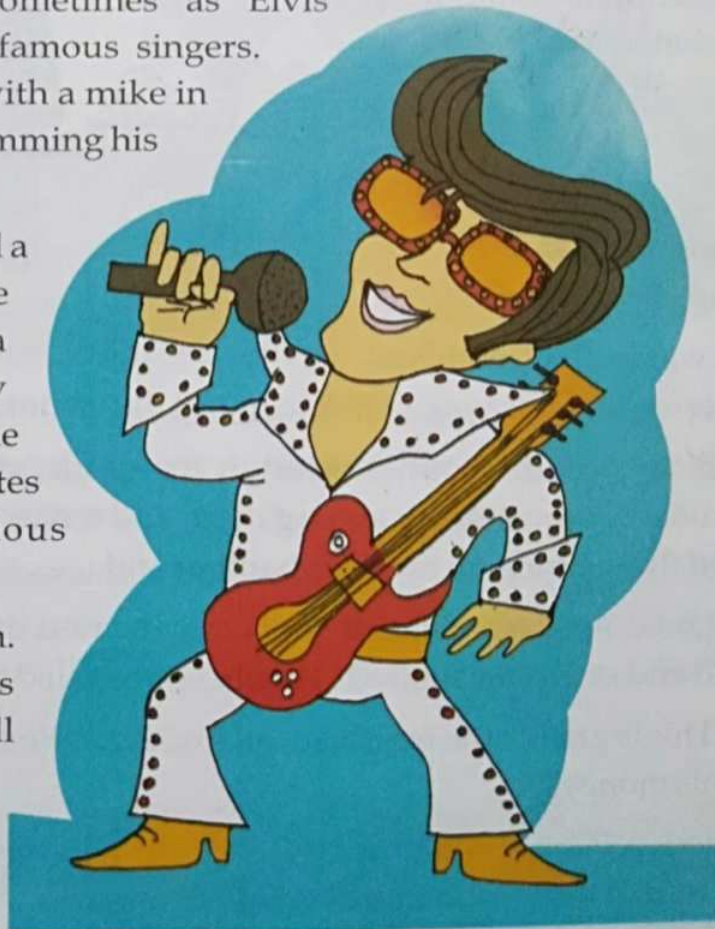
This sweet, little story is about how a little spook saves the old castle he lives in.

Smoky was a **spook**, who lived in an **ancient** castle on the top of a hill, in the beautiful countryside of Germany.

Being a little ghost, Smoky could change his appearance **at will**. He loved to appear in different **disguises**. Sometimes he would dress up as Batman or Superman, sometimes as Elvis Presley or Madonna, the famous singers. How happy he would be with a mike in his hand, dancing and strumming his guitar.

One morning, Smoky heard a car pull up outside the castle door. A man and a woman climbed out. They walked slowly around the castle walls, making notes and looking very serious indeed.

"It's no use," said the man. "The castle is so old, its walls will fall down any day. We'll have to forget about opening it to the public as a **tourist destination**."



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"If only we could raise enough money to repair it," the woman replied. Smoky froze with fear! If the castle was to be pulled down, where would he go? What would happen to him? He loved the castle very much. Something had to be done!

As the two visitors were returning to their car, they suddenly stopped and sniffed the air. There was a wonderful perfume coming from the castle. The man pointed to what looked like a thin line of smoke floating near the entrance.

"Looks like a thin cloud. What is it?" the lady asked.

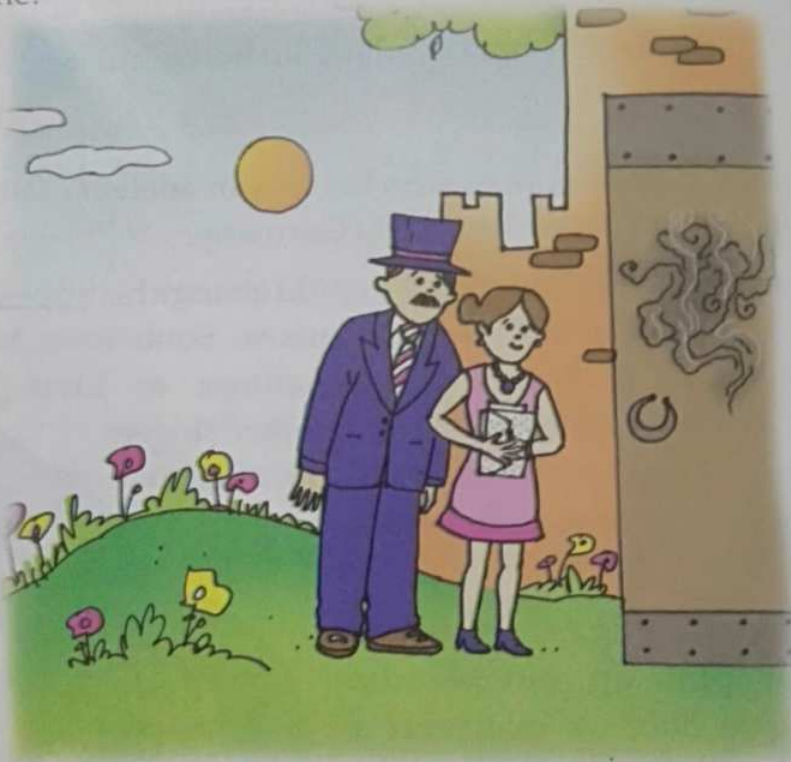
It was Smoky, who had performed this magic trick to tempt the visitors in.

Smoky led the couple through the castle, disguised as a thin line of smoke. A secret door swung open and a narrow, cobweb-filled passage led the visitors to a hidden chamber and..... a treasure chest!

"Look! A treasure chest!" the woman cried out. They opened the heavy lid and stared and stared! The chest was filled with money.

"This is great!" the man said, all excited. "We can repair the castle with all this money."

How relieved Smoky was! He let out whoops of joy sending the couple running to their car and driving off.



Soon after, workmen arrived. Work started on the castle. It took six months but finally the castle was restored, which means that it looked as beautiful as it had once been.

Smoky was so glad that he had helped in saving the castle.

The day before the castle was thrown open to the public, the Mayor of the town came to look around.

"It is such a pity this castle isn't haunted. It would have been just perfect if it had a ghost."

You can guess who was listening! Smoky chuckled with glee. He was more than happy to do what the mayor wished for.



Quick as a flash he appeared as a clown, tickled the mayor under his fat chin with a long feather, then disappeared through the wall. The mayor giggled, at first, then almost jumped out of his skin and fled.

Now Smoky has the most marvellous time, trying out all his disguises on hundreds of visitors who tremble with excitement as they search the castle for ghosts. After all, we all like being a little bit scared now and then - don't you?



Read the story quietly to yourself, then read it paragraph-wise, row by row, with the help of the teacher.

Explanatory Exercises.

<u>Word</u>	<u>Meanings</u>
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- 1) Ancient – very old
- 2) Countryside – outer part of a town, city or village
- 3) Appearance – the way something looks
- 4) At will – whenever he wanted to
- 5) Appear – to come in sight
- 6) Disguises – dress up as different people or animals
- 7) Strumming – playing a guitar with thumb on the strings
- 8) Pull up – to come forward
- 9) Climbed out – came out
- 10) Destination – a place where tourists would like to go
- 11) Castle – a large building
- 12) raise enough money – to collect a lot of money
- 13) Repair – to mend
- 14) froze with fear – became frightened
- 15) Pulled down – destroyed
- 16) Sniffed – to smell
- 17) Tempt – invite
- 18) Disguised – dressed in strange clothes
- 19) A treasure chest – a large box filled with money
- 20) Relieved – relaxed
- 21) Whoops of joy – loud cries of joy
- 22) thrown open to the public – open for public to view
- 23) Pity – feeling of sympathy

- 24) Haunted – frequented by a ghost
- 25) Chuckled with glee – laughed quietly to himself
- 26) Quick as a flash – very quickly
- 27) Tickled – to touch in a manner which causes laughter
- 28) Giggled – to laugh gently
- 29) Fled – ran away
- 30) Marvellous – wonderful
- 31) Perfect – excellent
- 32) Spook – a friendly ghost
- 33) Couple- a man and a woman
- 34) Tourist – sightseer or visitor to a country or a state
- 35) Suddenly – happening quickly

Short Questions and Answers.

Q1.Why did Smoky freeze with fear ?

A1.Smoky froze with fear because he thought that where would he go if the couple destroyed the castle.

Q2. Why was Smoky relieved ?

A2. Smoky felt relieved because the couple finally decided to repair the castle.

Q3.Why did Smoky chuckle with glee?

A3.Smoky chuckled with glee because he was happy to hear that even the mayor wished for the castle to be haunted by a ghost.

Q4.What did the man and the woman do and say when they found the treasure chest ?

A4. The man and the woman were happy to find the treasure chest. They decided to repair the castle with the money in the chest.

Long Questions and Answers.

Q1.Where does this story take place and in which country ?

A1.The story , ‘Smoky Smells Success’, is a story about a spook, Smoky, who lived in an ancient castle on the top of a hill , in the beautiful countryside of Germany.

Q2.What disguises would Smoky appear in ? What made him happy ?

A2. Smoky loved to appear in different disguises . Sometimes he would dress up as Batman or Superman, sometimes as Elvis Presley or Madonna, the famous singers . He felt happy dancing and strumming his guitar , with a mike in his hand .

Q3. Who visited the castle one day and what did they do and say ?

A3.A couple visited the castle one day. They walked slowly around the castle walls , and made some notes . They said that since the castle was so old it should be pulled down(destroyed).

Q4. How was the castle restored ? Who came to look around ?

A4. Soon after the couple left , workmen arrived and work started on the castle . It took six months but finally the castle was restored . The Mayor of the town came to look around.

Reference to the Context.

Read the lines carefully and answer the questions-

“This is great !”

Q1.Who said this to whom ?

A1. The man said this to the woman.

Q2. Why is the speaker excited ?

A2. The speaker is excited because the castle could be repaired now with the money in the treasure chest .

EXERCISES

Exercise – 1. Make Sentences-

The child should make sentences using the following words . The first one has been done for you .

1. **sometimes** – My father sometimes brings gifts for me.
2. **suddenly** –
3. **perfect** –
4. **repair** –
5. **castle** –

Exercise – 2. Fill in the blanks.

1. _____ could change his appearance at will.
2. There was a wonderful _____ coming from the castle.
3. Smoky led the _____ through the castle.
4. The chest was filled with _____.
5. Smoky was so glad that he had helped in saving the _____.

Exercise – 3. Answer the following questions in one word.

- Q1. What was the name of the spook ?
- Q2. Who looked very serious ?
- Q3. Who loved the castle very much ?
- Q4. In how many months was the castle restored ?
- Q5. Who appeared as a clown ?

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