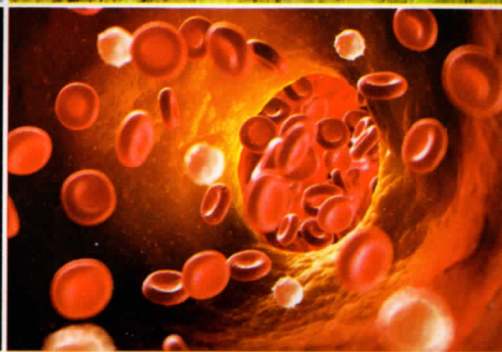
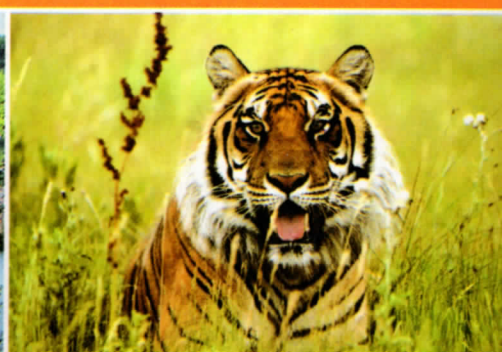
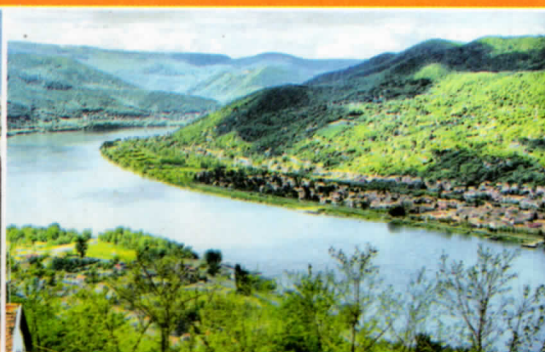


# Kid Wiz

(A Step to Know the World)

Class-VIII



# In the Name of God

A. We call God by various names. A variety of adjectives are used for gods and goddesses. Read carefully the given clues and write suitable adjectives starting with prefix 'omni' in the space provided.

Clues	Words
1. present everywhere	omni <input type="text"/>
2. all powerful	omni <input type="text"/>
3. knows everything	omni <input type="text"/>
4. total	omni <input type="text"/>
5. parent of all	omni <input type="text"/>



B. 'Oh God!' is a common exclamation we often use. Given below in Column A are some words. Match them with their correct meanings given in column B.

A	B
1. god-willing <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> a. a very religious person
2. god-sent <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> b. having great qualities
3. god-fearing <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> c. hopeful of good times ahead
4. god-like (godly) <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> d. a good help or opportunity
5. god's gift <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> e. in-born skill or talent

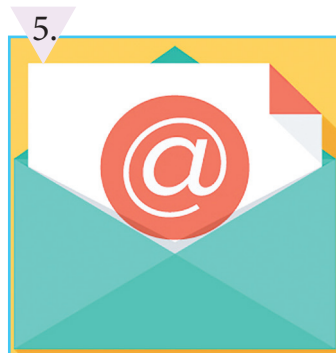
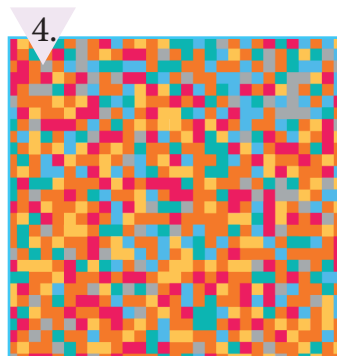
**? DO YOU KNOW?**

'Theology' is the systematic study of the concept of God and religious beliefs. It explains the nature of God. Theology originated from Greek words - 'theos' meaning 'God' and 'logia' meaning 'word' or 'saying'. The words were also passed on to Latin as 'theologia' and French as 'Theologie'. Theology was first used in fourteenth century. It is taught as a subject in schools, universities and seminaries.

# Terrific Two's

Many new words in English have been formed out of need in modern life. Complete the following words formed from terrific two situations given. The first one has been done for you.

1. A documentary and a drama d o c u d r a m a
2. Breakfast and lunch together b \_ \_ \_ \_ h
3. Smoke and fog together s \_ \_ g
4. A picture and an element p \_ \_ \_ l
5. An electronic mail e \_ \_ \_ l
6. A situation in a comedy s \_ \_ c \_ m
7. A kid's video k \_ \_ v \_ d
8. A camera and a recorder c \_ \_ \_ \_ r \_ \_ \_
9. Information and commercial i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ l
10. Education and entertainment e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t





B. Carefully observe the following Word Pyramids and write the clues for the given words formed by using a prefix and a suffix respectively. One has been done for you.

**C** **Clues**

re	
redo	to do again
recall	
rewrite	
reverse	
reshuffle	

**D** **Clues**

able	
unable	not able to
capable	
eatable	
readable	
agreeable	



## ▶ Values Are Invaluable

The values we imbibe enable us to deal effectively with the challenges of everyday life. Read the following situations and accordingly, unjumble the values or skills presented in these situations. Write the answer in the space provided.

1. You give your old books, pens, pencils and school bag to a poor student living near your house. sikndnes
2. Along with other students of your school, you visit an old people's home and give gifts to the old people staying there. pemathy
3. For the school competition, you design a beautiful poster, highlighting the theme – 'Say No to Child Labour'. tacretivi
4. There is a fight between two of your friends. You pacify them and encourage them to be friendly. ebprolm vsoling
5. During the examination, your friend asks you to see his answers and copy them in your answersheet, but you refuse. tshoney
6. You, along with other students, decorate your class display board. ocraopetion
7. Your teacher is absent but you manage the class and ask your friends to maintain self-control and do their learning work. inidiscple
8. You lead a rally around the school area to spread awareness about planting trees and caring for the environment. erdleaship
9. Along with your friends, you clean up your classroom, school library and corridors, and make them spick and span. slineanes
10. You make a time-table and devote regular time to study each and every subject. etim amangement

# ▶ Work Is Workship

Now-a-days, we have a plethora of possible careers and exciting avenues. Read the following statements and write the name of the professions in the space provided. The first letter of the word is given as a clue.

1. I translate what is said when people do not speak the same language. I  
.....
2. I test eyesight, prescribe lenses and sell them. O  
.....
3. I guide students in their choice of careers and encourage good behaviour pattern. C  
.....
4. I play recorded music or video and entertain on TV or radio. D  
.....
5. I introduce various acts in a live show/programme. C  
.....
6. I am an expert at beautiful and artistic writing. C  
.....
7. I diagnose and treat mental illness. P  
.....
8. I correct speech disorders. S  
.....
9. I make maps. C  
.....
10. I write and compile dictionaries. L  
.....
11. I advise the insurance company and calculate risks and premiums. A  
.....
12. I stuff animal skins to make them look like real animals. T  
.....



## Gender Guess

Using correct genders is a sign of good vocabulary. Tick (✓) the correct Feminine Genders from the options given below. One has been done for you.

Masculine Gender	⋮	Feminine Gender	
1. Postmaster	⋮	Postmistress <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Postmastress <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Man servant	⋮	Maid servant <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Woman servant <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Stuntman	⋮	Stuntmaness <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Stuntwoman <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Fiancé	⋮	Fiancée <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	/ Fiancéss <input type="checkbox"/>
5. Proprietor	⋮	Proprietress <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Proprietori <input type="checkbox"/>
6. Bachelor	⋮	Spinster <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Bacheloress <input type="checkbox"/>
7. Ambassador	⋮	Ambassadress <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Ambasses <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Lad	⋮	Lass <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Ladess <input type="checkbox"/>
9. Comedian	⋮	Comedienne <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Comedianess <input type="checkbox"/>
10. Chauffeur	⋮	Chauffeuse <input type="checkbox"/>	/ Chauffeuress <input type="checkbox"/>



### DO YOU KNOW?

The word, 'Fiancé' is used for a man, to whom a woman is engaged to be married. It originated from French and was first used in the middle of nineteenth century. A man is called as 'Fiancé' and the woman engaged to him is called as 'Fiancée'. The word also has its roots in Latin – 'Fidare', meaning 'to trust' and is combined with the suffix – 'ance' - to form 'Fiancé'.





# ▶ Global Language

English is a global language. It has a number of words and phrases from Greek, Latin, French, Spanish and Italian languages. Match the words or phrases with their meanings given and write the answers in the space provided. One is done for you.











Words or Phrases	Answers	Meanings
1. Ad hoc		a. outline of education/career
2. Alma Mater		b. goodbye
3. Curriculum Vitae (CV)	a	c. in the year of the lord
4. Et Cetera (etc.)		d. otherway round
5. Anno Domini (AD)		e. for a particular purpose
6. Vice Versa		f. human beings
7. Homo sapiens		g. each year
8. Per Capita		h. I've got it
9. Per Annum		i. so on
10. Bona fide		j. each person
11. Numero Uno		k. genuine
12. Adios		l. best of journey
13. Eureka		m. school/college attended
14. Adieu		n. number one
15. Bon Voyage		o. goodbye

**Note:** Words 1-10 are from Latin, 11 is from Italian, 12 is from Spanish, 13 is from Greek and 14-15 are from French.

# ▶ Emotions and Expressions




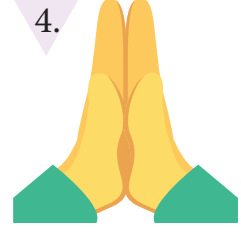






You must have seen 'Emojis' that make our text messages very lively and interesting. These small digital images have become very popular and are used to express an emotion or an idea.

A. Choose the appropriate option from the Help Box to match it with each Emoji below and write it in the space provided.

1.  _____	2.  _____	3.  _____	4.  _____
5.  _____	6.  _____	7.  _____	8.  _____
	9.  _____	10.  _____	

Help Box			
grinning	frowning	confused	worried
smiling	astonishment	crying	thinking
disappointment		angry	

B. Hand emojis convey a variety of emotions and messages. Pair the hand emojis below with emotions or messages from the Help Box. Write the answer in the space provided. One is done for you.

1.  <input type="text"/>	2.  <input type="text"/>	3.  <input type="text"/>	4.  <input type="text"/>
5.  <input type="text" value="e"/>	6.  <input type="text"/>	7.  <input type="text"/>	8.  <input type="text"/>
	9.  <input type="text"/>	10.  <input type="text"/>	

Help Box		
a. please stop	e. victory/success	i. openness
b. dislike/disapproval	f. applause	j. handshake
c. high five/gratitude	g. very good/praiseworthy	
d. oh yes/great	h. pointing up	

**? DO YOU KNOW?**  
Shigetaka Kurita, a Japanese, created the first 'Emojis' to facilitate electronic communication in 1998-99. The emojis were first used by the Japanese mobile phones and then adapted by Google, Apple Inc. and many others.

## ▶ Food for Thought

The articles of food and drink enhance the meanings of common words. They add a special flavour. Fill in the correct words in the boxes provided to complete the statements. Take help of the hints given.

- You cannot have your **c** [ ] [ ] [ ] and eat it too!  
[enjoy all the benefits of a situation]
- He is a **s** [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] coated pill.  
[a deceptive person]
- We must take our problems with a grain of **s** [ ] [ ] [ ] .  
[bear improper behaviour or situation]
- I paid just **p** [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] for the second hand computer.  
[to pay the least]
- Studying science is not everybody's cup of **t** [ ] [ ] .  
[having no liking or aptitude]
- He looked as though **b** [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] won't melt in his mouth.  
[to appear very innocent]
- It is no use crying over spilt **m** [ ] [ ] [ ] .  
[worrying over something that cannot be changed]
- We must take the minister's word like a **p** [ ] [ ] in the sky.  
[promise that can never be fulfilled]
- The son was the **a** [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] of his mother's eye.  
[great favourite]
- He was in a thick **s** [ ] [ ] [ ] as he had lost his father's money.  
[to be in trouble]



### DO YOU KNOW?

The word 'menu' originated from French. It was also derived from 'minutes', meaning something made very small. In a restaurant, 'Menu' refers to a detailed list of food items and beverages on offer with their price. The French word – 'a la Carte' used with menu means food items can be ordered separately from the options provided. The French word – 'table d'hote' means food items chosen by Chef/Proprietor are served at a fixed price.



# Tangible Talk

English language has a variety of expressions using numbers to create an 'added' effect. Match the following expressions with their meanings. The first one has been done for you.

- |                            |   |                                |   |                                       |
|----------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. First and foremost      | → | <input type="text" value="c"/> | ← | a. to wear glamorous clothes          |
| 2. On second thoughts      | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | b. very happy                         |
| 3. Three-D effect          | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | c. most important                     |
| 4. The fourth estate       | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | d. in a difficult situation           |
| 5. Five and dime shop      | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | e. to have an intuition               |
| 6. Sixth sense             | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | f. rethink or review                  |
| 7. In seventh heaven       | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | g. the press                          |
| 8. Behind the eight-ball   | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | h. a store that sells cheap goods     |
| 9. Dressed up to the nines | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | i. most probably                      |
| 10. Ten to one             | → | <input type="text"/>           | ← | j. quality of length, width and depth |

### FIND OUT

Find out the meanings of the following—

- (i) a two-faced person
- (ii) the fifth column
- (iii) a nine-day wonder
- (iv) at the eleventh hour



## ▶ Wardrobe Vocabulary

The usage of names of clothes and accessories like hat, belt, etc., can bring forth an array of expressions in English language. Read the given meanings and complete the following expressions.

1. An action successfully done three times.

A \_\_\_\_\_ trick.

2. To reflect and analyse something.

Put on one's thinking \_\_\_\_\_.

3. To get ready for action.

Pull up one's \_\_\_\_\_.

4. To economise or save money by cutting down expenses.

Tighten one's \_\_\_\_\_.

5. To be patient.

Keep one's \_\_\_\_\_.

6. To flatter for selfish purpose.

Lick someone's \_\_\_\_\_.

7. To plan according to the availability of funds.

Cut one's \_\_\_\_\_ according to the cloth.

8. To have very little money.

On a \_\_\_\_\_ string.

9. To be very close to someone.

Hand in \_\_\_\_\_.

10. To be a very young person.

In short \_\_\_\_\_.



## ▶ Know Your ABC....

The use of letters in different contexts lends a deeper understanding to one's mind. Write the correct meanings of the following phrases from the Help Box. One is done for you.

1. From A to Z

2. Dot your i's and cross your t's

3. Take a U-turn

4. Mind your p's and q's

5. Generation Z

6. Learn the ABC of

7. To catch Z's

*to sleep.*

8. Suit to a 'T'

9. A 'U' certificate

10. The three R's

### Help Box

- a. to know the very basics.
- b. to change one's decision.
- c. to do or know something very thoroughly.
- d. to be very careful and cautious.
- e. to be young or be in twenties.
- f. to perform a task completely and correctly.
- g. to sleep.
- h. to be universal - that can be viewed by all.
- i. to suit exactly.
- j. to know - reading, writing, arithmetic.



# ▶ Praising Poetry

Poetry is the heart and soul of any language. Complete the given crossword by using the clues provided.

**Down** ↓

1. words expressing feelings or thoughts which can be sung
2. long detailed poem describing brave acts
3. a poem that narrates a tale
4. couple of lines that rhyme together
10. a poem that can be sung like a song

**Across** →

5. shakespearean style of poetry
6. poetry based on nature (as by T.S. Eliot)
7. poem expressing sadness at death
8. stanza of a poem
9. five line funny poem

**FIND OUT**

Who is popularly called as the 'Poet of Nature'?



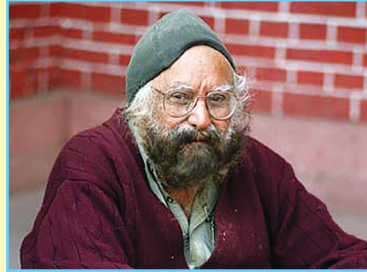
# Dramatic Style

A play is written with different characters and their roles. It exhibits various shades of human emotions. Read the clues given below and unjumble the terms, related to drama. Write the answers in the space provided.

- 1. The main story or plan of the play –  
    *l p o t* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. A raised platform for performance –  
    *t s a g e* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. The actors in a play are called –  
    *t h c a r a c e r s* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. The end point/stage of a play –  
    *x l c i m a* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. A humorous play is a –  
    *e c o m d y* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. A play depicting romance is –  
    *t n r o m a i c* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. A sorrowful play is a –  
    *r t a g e d y* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. The conversation among the actors forms –  
    *s g o d i a l u e* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. The style of criticising a person or an idea is –  
    *i s a t r e* → \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. A person who writes plays is known as –  
    *g l p a y w r i h t* → \_\_\_\_\_

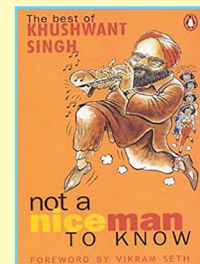
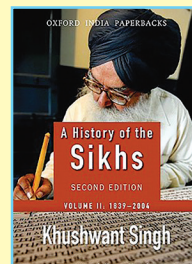
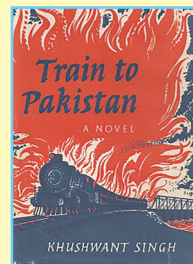
## Fact File

# Khushwant Singh



(2 February 1915 – 20 March 2014)

- ▶ Khushwant Singh was a famous Indian novelist, journalist, lawyer and politician.
- ▶ Born in Hadali (Punjab), now in Pakistan, he studied Law at St. Stephen's college, Delhi and later at King's College, London.
- ▶ After working as a lawyer, he joined Indian Foreign Services in 1947, All India Radio in 1951 and UNESCO in 1956. Finally, he took up writing.
- ▶ His writing reflected real-life experiences. He was well-known for his wit, humour, sarcasm and poetic expression.
- ▶ His famous books are –
  - The Mark of Vishnu,*
  - Train to Pakistan,*
  - A History of The Sikhs,*
  - Not A Nice Man to Know,*
  - Delhi: A Novel,*
  - I Shall Not Hear The Nightingale, etc.*



- ▶ He was also the editor of the *Illustrated Weekly* and the newspaper, *Hindustan Times*. His humorous columns in various magazines and newspapers were very popular.
- ▶ He was honoured with 'Padma Bhushan' in 1974 and 'Padma Vibhushan' in 2007.
- ▶ Khushwant Singh, like a true writer, kept writing till the end of his life.

# ▶ Test Your Wisdom

**1. Read the given clues and answer them in one word.**

- a. one who knows everything is known as \_\_\_\_\_
- b. in-born skill or talent is a \_\_\_\_\_
- c. a very religious person is called \_\_\_\_\_
- d. a good help or opportunity is \_\_\_\_\_
- e. one who is all powerful is called \_\_\_\_\_
- f. one who is present everywhere is \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Write the two words that join together to form the following words.**

- a. brunch = \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_
- b. smog = \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_
- c. email = \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_
- d. camcorder = \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_
- e. pixel = \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_
- f. edutainment = \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Match the columns.**

**A**

- a. Bon Voyage →
- b. First and foremost →
- c. Sixth sense →
- d. Pull up one's socks →
- e. To catch Z's →
- f. Five line funny poem →

**B**

- ◀ (i) most important
- ◀ (ii) to sleep
- ◀ (iii) lymeric
- ◀ (iv) best of journey
- ◀ (v) to get ready for action
- ◀ (vi) to have an intuition

4. Complete the following analogy.

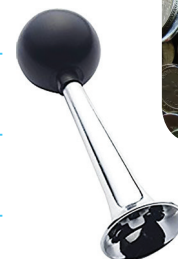
- a. (i) lexicographer : dictionary :: cartographer : \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) calligrapher : \_\_\_\_\_ :: \_\_\_\_\_ : music
- b. (i) bachelor : spinster :: \_\_\_\_\_ : lass  
 (ii) fiancé : \_\_\_\_\_ :: \_\_\_\_\_ : maid servant

5. Read the given hints carefully and form words that begin with 'sq'—

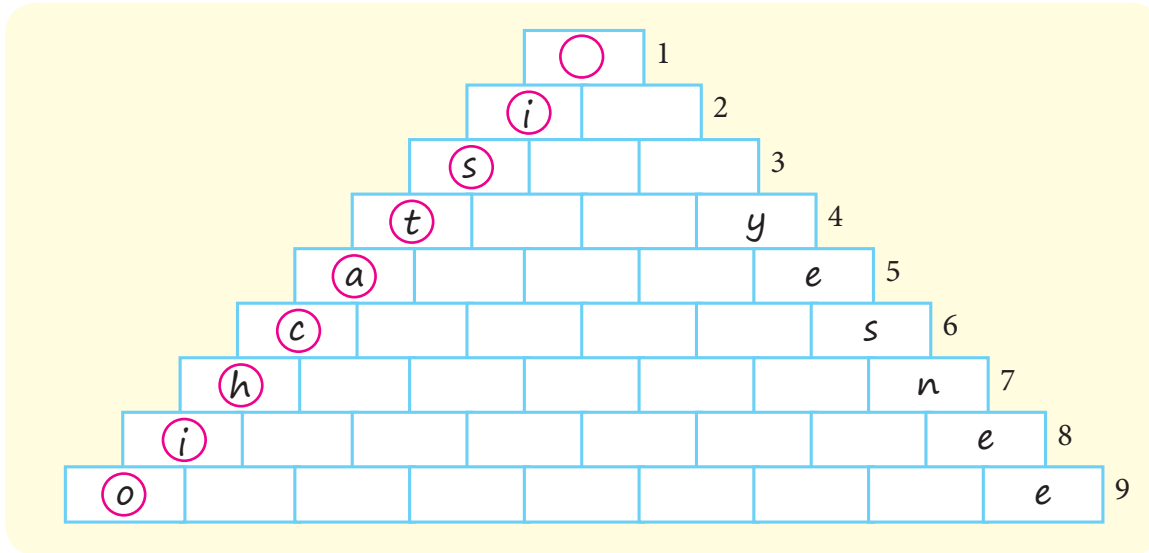
- a. a small group of policemen. s q
- b. a game played with a racket and a rubber ball. s q
- c. a shape having four sides. s q
- d. the noise made by a mouse. s q
- e. to exert pressure in order to extract juice. s q
- f. a furry animal. s q

6. Write the names of the objects which are associated with the following sounds.

- a. the ticking of a \_\_\_\_\_
- b. the screeching of \_\_\_\_\_
- c. the wail of a \_\_\_\_\_
- d. the banging of \_\_\_\_\_
- e. the honking of \_\_\_\_\_
- f. the jingle of \_\_\_\_\_



7. Complete the pyramid using the following clues. The number of letters forming the words are given on the right side.



- a. a letter to show parking
- b. the preposition used for things
- c. a title or word of respect for a man
- d. very small
- e. without company
- f. short form of champions
- g. line at which earth and sky appear to meet
- h. very close
- i. regular movement from side to side, between two limits



Now, read the encircled letters on the left that form a word.

Word formed : \_\_\_\_\_

8. Read the given clues and fill in the words in the Magic Square so that the same words can be read both across and down.

- a. Sound made by a bomb \_\_\_\_\_ .
- b. An important kind of light or beam \_\_\_\_\_ .
- c. By the side means \_\_\_\_\_ .
- d. A grass that grows near wet ground \_\_\_\_\_ .
- e. Green 'gifts' of nature \_\_\_\_\_ .

