*Key Words* a present ['prez(ə)nt] – подарък a pompon ['pɔmpɔn] – понпон, пискюл a pair [peə] of slippers – чифт домашни пантофи a shoe [ʃu:] shop – магазин за обувки a shop-assistant – продавач, продавачка



## **MAN'S BEST FRIEND**

Mr. Scott has a bulldog. The name of the bulldog is Winston. Mr. Scott thinks that Winston is his best friend. But is it so? Read the story.

Mr. Scott and Mrs. Scott want to go to the town. Mrs. Scott wants to buy a present for Mr. Scott's birthday<sup>1</sup>. The dog is with them. They come to town and go to a shoe shop. Mrs. Scott wants to buy a pair of slippers for Mr. Scott as a present.

"These slippers are very nice" says the shop-assistant and shows a pair of red slippers with blue pompons. Mrs. Scott likes them, but Mr. Scott does not think they are nice. Then the shop-assistant shows a pair of slippers which are green and yellow.

"This is a beautiful pair," says Mrs. Scott.

"I don't like it. I don't want to have such slippers," says Mr. Scott.

"But they are my present for you," says Mrs. Scott.

"No, I don't want to have such slippers," says Mr. Scott. "I don't like them."

"But it is not good to say that you don't like presents which people give you. Well, if you don't like this pair, then I will take the red slippers with the blue pompons," says Mrs. Scott and she asks the shop-assistant:

"Please, give me the red pair with the blue pompons. I take them."

"Yes, madam," says the shopassistant. Then he opens one box after another<sup>2</sup>, but he can't find the red pair with the blue pompons. Mrs. Scott helps him. But they can't find that pair of slippers.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> to buy a present for Mr. Scott's birthday – да купи подарък за рождения ден на господин Скот

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> one box after another – една кутия след друга

Suddenly Mrs. Scott cries in horror<sup>1</sup>: she sees Winston under the chair with the red pair of slippers torn to bits<sup>2</sup>.

Mr. Scott is happy. What a good dog he has! Winston is his best friend. Mr. Scott says to Mrs. Scott: "I know now that bulldogs have good taste<sup>3</sup>." Do you think Mr. Scott is right?<sup>4</sup>

# 1. True or false?

- A. Mr. Scott has a birthday.
- B. Mr. Scott leaves his dog at home.
- C. Mrs. Scott wants to buy Mr. Scott slippers for a present.
- D. Mr. Scott likes the green and yellow slippers.
- E. The bulldog tears to bits the red slipppers.

# **2. Rearrange the jumbled sentences.** (Подредете правилно думите в изреченията.)

A. father doctor My is a

B. big This dog is very a

C. shop this a Isn't shoe

# D. Are my slippers of these brother the

?

?

# Key Words to make faces – правя физиономии to start – започвам



*Mother:* Why are you making faces at that bulldog? *Small child* (crying): He started it.

<sup>1</sup> Suddenly Mrs. Scott cries in horror. – Изведнъж госпожа Скот извиква ужасена.

- <sup>2</sup> torn to bits разкъсани на парчета
- <sup>3</sup> good taste добър вкус
- <sup>4</sup> Do you think Mr. Scott is right? Мислите ли, че господин Скот е прав?

#### THE OLD TREE'S FRIEND

A very old tree lives in a forest. One day a little bird sits down in the old tree. The old tree says:

"I am not happy. I am old and full of insects. Can you help me, little bird?"

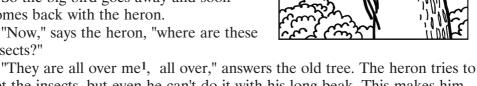
"Oh, I want to help you very much, but you see that I am very small and that my beak is very small too. But I know the bird which has a big beak."

The little bird goes to the big bird and tells him everything about the old tree. The big bird is ready to help the old tree. He jumps up and down the tree and tries to get at insects, but he cannot do it. Then the big bird says:

"I cannot help you. But I know who can. I shall go and ask the heron to help you. His beak is very long."

So the big bird goes away and soon comes back with the heron.

"Now," says the heron, "where are these insects?"



get the insects, but even he can't do it with his long beak. This makes him very angry and he goes away.

The old tree is sad. Suddenly a bird with a little red cap on his head and a very sharp beak sits in the old tree.

"Why didn't you send for me?" says the bird. "I can help you."

"But how can you do it? The heron with his long beak can't do it. And your beak is not very big. But you can try if you want."

The bird with the red head – the woodpecker – begins to work quickly with his sharp beak. He works and works and at last there are no insects in the old tree. The old tree is very happy.

"How can I thank you?" it says. "I am like a new tree now. What can I do for you?" it asks the woodpecker.

"Let me have a nest in your trunk<sup>2</sup>, please," says the woodpecker.

The woodpecker begins to work and soon the nest is ready. Now a family of woodpeckers live there. They are good friends of the old tree.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> all over me – навсякъде по мен

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Let me have a nest in your trunk – Позволи ми да си направя гнездо в твоя ствол

*Key Words* a coat [kout] – пера, перушина a stick – пръчка

**kind** [kaind] – добър **claw** [kla:] – нокът на животно

#### THE WOODPECKER

When you are in a forest, you sometimes hear tap-tap-tap. What's this? It's a woodpecker, a big bird with a beautiful coat, black, white and red. It is trying to make a hole in the tree, it wants to get the insects that live there.

The woodpecker eats insects. It has a very sharp beak. It can run up and down the tree because it has claws on its feet.

The woodpecker is a clever bird. If it can't get at an insect with its beak, it finds a small stick and gets at insects with it.

The woodpecker does not make a nest like the other birds. It makes a hole in a tree and that is a nest for the woodpecker.

The woodpecker is a tree doctor. You know it. But the woodpecker is a kind bird too. Read about it in our next story.

## 1. Answer the questions.

A. What can you hear sometimes in the forest?

- B. What are the colors of the woodpecker's coat?
- C. Is his beak long?

D. Does the woodpecker make a nest like the other birds?

#### 2. Make new words by matching the words listed down. Write them.

| wood  | cream  | grand | noon   |  |
|-------|--------|-------|--------|--|
| Sun   | ball   | note  | room   |  |
| every | pecker | home  | father |  |
| ice   | thing  | after | book   |  |
| foot  | day    | class | work   |  |
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## T E S T № 1

## A. Read the text and circle the right answer.

#### THE SQUIRREL

When you walk in a forest, look at the trees around you, there may be a squirrel near. Squirrels make their homes in the trees.

It is very interesting to watch squirrels. They jump from one tree to another. Squirrels are very lively animals.

There are red squirrels and grey squirrels. Do you know how long they are? The squirrel is about fifty centimetres long. Do squirrels sleep all the winter? No, they don't. They do sleep in the winter, but they sleep with one eye open. When it is cold, they sleep, but when it is a warm winter day and the sun is bright, they go out to jump and to play.

If you have any nuts with you, throw them on the ground. Squirrels like to eat them when they are hungry. But if they are not hungry, they hide them.

- 1. Squirrels are very \_\_\_\_\_ animals. a) lazy b) lively c) lonely
- 2. There are \_\_\_\_\_ squirrels.

a) red and black b) grey and brown c) red and grey

- 3. The squirrel is about \_\_\_\_\_ centimetres long.
  - a) 15 b) 30 c) 50
- 4. In winter squirrels \_\_\_\_\_.

a) sleep b)sleep with one eye open c)play

- 5. The squirrels like to eat \_\_\_\_\_. a) nuts b) apples c) carrots
- 6. When they are not hungry, they \_\_\_\_\_\_ them. a) throw b) eat c) hide

#### B. Circle the correct word.

- 1. It's warm in the room. \_\_\_\_\_ your coat.
- a) Put on b) Take off c) Undress
- 2. She \_\_\_\_\_\_ her hair.
- a) is combing b) is coming c) is cleaning