## 1. Adjectives

**Explanation**: Adjectives are words that describe or give more information about a noun. They tell us about the quality, quantity, or extent of something (e.g., big, old, beautiful).

### **Examples from the Story:**

- "Granny wore a pair of old glasses." (Page 1) "Old" describes the glasses.
- "The light green of the fields stood out against the dark green of the forests." (Page 3) –
  "Light green" and "dark green" describe the fields and forests.
- "A rickety bus rattled so much." (Page 4) "Rickety" describes the bus as old and shaky.

#### Exercise 1:

- 1. Underline the adjectives in these sentences from the story:
  - o Mani carried a small bedding-roll on his shoulders.
  - o The hills were bathed in **golden sunshine**.
  - o Granny had a new umbrella.
- 2. Fill in the blanks with suitable adjectives:
  - The \_\_\_\_ river flowed beside the village.
  - Mani saw a \_\_\_\_ eagle flying above.
  - Granny's \_\_\_\_ glasses helped her see better.

# **Answers**:

- 1. Underlined: small, golden, new.
- 2. Suggested: sparkling/shiny, majestic/beautiful, strong/clear.

# 2. Adverbs

**Explanation**: Adverbs describe verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs. They tell us how, when, where, or to what extent something happens (e.g., slowly, yesterday, very).

## **Examples from the Story:**

- "They walked at a **steady pace**." (Page 3) "Steadily" (implied from steady pace) describes how they walked.
- "Her eyes had grown **steadily** weaker." (Page 1) "Steadily" describes how her eyes weakened over time.
- "The doctor dealt with the patients in a **brisk but kind** manner." (Page 6) "Briskly" (implied from brisk) and "kindly" describe how the doctor worked.

#### Exercise 2:

- 1. Identify the adverbs in these sentences:
  - o Granny spoke **confidently** about her walking ability.
  - Mani eagerly offered to go to Mussoorie.
  - o The bus **suddenly** stopped because of a landslide.
- 2. Choose the correct adverb to complete the sentence:
  - Granny walked \_\_\_\_ (slow/slowly) up the hill.
  - Mani ran \_\_\_\_ (quick/quickly) to catch the bus.
  - o The doctor spoke \_\_\_\_ (kind/kindly) to Granny.

# Answers:

- 1. Adverbs: confidently, eagerly, suddenly.
- 2. slowly, quickly, kindly.

# 3. Prepositions

**Explanation**: Prepositions show the relationship between a noun/pronoun and other words in a sentence. They indicate place, time, or direction (e.g., in, on, to, above).

## **Examples from the Story:**

- "They set out on the path to Nain." (Page 2) "On" and "to" show direction.
- "Granny and Mani ate their light meal on the roadside." (Page 3) "On" shows place.
- "The lights of Mussoorie twinkled ahead of them." (Page 5) "Of" and "ahead of" show relationship and direction.

### Exercise 3:

- 1. Fill in the blanks with the correct preposition (in, on, to, above, with):
  - Granny and Mani walked \_\_\_\_ the mountain.
  - o They rested \_\_\_\_ a pine tree.
  - The eagle flew \_\_\_\_ the valley.
- 2. Write two sentences using prepositions to describe a journey you took.

### **Answers**:

- 1. to, under, above.
- 2. Sample: I walked to the park with my friend. We sat on a bench under a tree.

## 4. Conjunctions

**Explanation**: Conjunctions connect words, phrases, or sentences (e.g., and, but, or, because). They help combine ideas or show contrast.

## **Examples from the Story:**

- "Granny could hear the distant roar of the river and smell the pine needles." (Page 1) –
  "And" connects two actions.
- "She couldn't see the river or the trees but she could make out Mani's fuzzy hair." (Page 1) –
  "But" shows contrast.
- "The bus was old and rickety." (Page 4) "And" connects two descriptions.

### Exercise 4:

- 1. Identify the conjunctions in these sentences:
  - Granny wanted to stay with Mani but she needed new glasses.
  - Mani carried a bedding roll and Granny carried a shopping bag.
  - They walked because the bus was stuck.
- 2. Join these sentences using and, but, or because:
  - Granny was tired. She kept walking.
  - Mani wanted to eat berries. Granny didn't like them.
  - They reached Mussoorie. The lights were bright.

# Answers:

- 1. Conjunctions: but, and, because.
- 2. Sample:
  - Granny was tired, but she kept walking.
  - Mani wanted to eat berries, but Granny didn't like them.
  - They reached Mussoorie because the lights were bright.

## 5. Tenses (Past Tense)

**Explanation**: Tenses show when an action happens. The story mostly uses the **past tense** because it describes events that already happened (e.g., walked, said, saw).

# **Examples from the Story:**

- "Granny wore a pair of old glasses." (Page 1) Past tense of wear.
- "The rain **stopped** and the sun **came** out." (Page 3) Past tense of stop and come.

• "The doctor **examined** Granny's eyes." (Page 6) – Past tense of examine.

#### Exercise 5:

- 1. Identify the past tense verbs in these sentences:
  - Mani ran to catch up with Granny.
  - o They ate their meal under a pine tree.
  - o Granny **bought** a new umbrella.
- 2. Rewrite these sentences in the past tense:
  - Mani carries a bedding roll.
  - o Granny walks to Nain.
  - The bus moves slowly.

#### **Answers**:

- 1. Past tense verbs: ran, ate, bought.
- 2. Mani carried a bedding roll.
  - o Granny walked to Nain.
  - o The bus moved slowly.

# 6. Direct and Indirect Speech

**Explanation**: Direct speech shows the exact words someone says, using quotation marks (e.g., "I am tired," said Mani). Indirect speech reports what someone said without quoting (e.g., Mani said that he was tired).

### Examples from the Story:

- Direct: "I can manage quite well," said Granny. (Page 2)
- Direct: "Can you see me now?" asked the doctor. (Page 6)
- Indirect (implied): Mani knew Granny could not see well because of her old glasses. (Page 1)

### Exercise 6:

- 1. Identify whether these are direct or indirect speech:
  - "We'll manage," said Mani. (Page 2)
  - Granny said that she could walk forever. (Page 5)
  - "What's happening?" Granny asked. (Page 4)
- 2. Change these direct speech sentences to indirect speech:
  - "I can see the path," said Granny.

- "We'll stay at a hotel!" said Granny.
- o "Have we arrived?" Granny asked.

#### Answers: 1.

- Direct
- Indirect
- Direct
- 2. Granny said that she could see the path
  - Granny said that they would stay at a hotel
  - Granny asked if they had arrived.