



The Jungle Book – Rudyard Kipling

Comprehension exercises – ANSWERS

CHAPTER 1

- 1 The wolf family lives in the cave – Mother and Father Wolf and their four cubs.
- 2 Shere Khan.
- 3 No, he isn't afraid.
- 4 He wants to eat Mowgli.
- 5 Shere Khan is afraid of Mother Wolf.
- 6 He will live with the wolf family.
- 7 Mowgli

CHAPTER 2

- 1 Every month, the wolf pack met there.
- 2 forty
- 3 He is the leader of the wolf pack.
- 4 Baloo the bear and Bagheera the black panther.
- 5 Baloo will teach him.

CHAPTER 3

- 1 He learns about jungle food, about the monkeys and he learns the languages of the animals.
- 2 No, he doesn't.
- 3 because the monkeys are not nice animals
- 4 the monkeys

CHAPTER 4

- 1 The monkeys are very afraid of Kaa. He can go up into the trees and he takes young monkeys at night.
- 2 Rann the bird
- 3 He is with the monkeys in the Old City.
- 4 They put Mowgli in a room and close the door.
- 5 Kaa the snake
- 6 He breaks the door of Mowgli's room. He can come out.
- 7 He wants to eat the monkeys.

CHAPTER 5

- 1 because he's a man and he's cleverer than the wolves
- 2 He tells Mowgli to get the Red Flower.
- 3 It is fire.
- 4 Mowgli gets it from the village.

CHAPTER 6

- 1 Shere Khan wants a new leader.
- 2 They want to kill Mowgli.
- 3 He uses the fire to stop them. Animals are afraid of fire.
- 4 He must go to his people. The wolves and Shere Khan don't want him in the jungle.

CHAPTER 7

- 1 Messua is a village woman.
- 2 She thinks that Mowgli is her son. Shere Khan took her son many years before. Mowgli will live with her now.
- 3 He learns their language, about clothes, money and working on a farm.
- 4 Every morning, he will take the buffaloes, cows and bulls, and he will find food for them. Then every evening, he will bring the animals back to the village.

CHAPTER 8

- 1 Shere Khan
- 2 The buffaloes, cows and bulls run into him because they are afraid of the wolves. Shere Khan dies.
- 3 He cuts the skin from Shere Khan's body.
- 4 Buldeo thinks Mowgli is a bad person because he can talk to animals and he took their animals.
- 5 The village people don't want him and they throw things at him,
- 6 because all the animals were afraid of Shere Khan and Mowgli killed him
- 7 Baloo and Bagheera are old and his wolf parents and Akela are dead. He's a man and he must go back to his people.
- 8 Yes, he is sad.
- 9 Yes, he does. He has a good, long life.

PEOPLE IN THE STORY

Put a tick (✓) in the correct column for each animal or person.

| | Person | Wolf | Panther | Snake | Bear | Tiger | Bird |
|--------------|--------|------|---------|-------|------|-------|------|
| Messua | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Kaa | | | | ✓ | | | |
| Bagheera | | | ✓ | | | | |
| Rann | | | | | | | ✓ |
| Baloo | | | | | ✓ | | |
| Buldeo | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Grey Brother | | ✓ | | | | | |