

ENGLISH 8

UNIT 4: OUR PAST

I. READ

Once a poor farmer had a daughter named Little Pea. After his wife died, he married again. His new wife had a daughter named Stout Nut. Unfortunately, the new wife was very cruel to Little Pea. Little Pea had to do chores all day. Her father was very upset and he soon died of a broken heart.

In the fall, the village held its harvest festival. Everyone was excited as the prince wanted to choose his wife from the village. Stout Nut had new clothes, but Little Pea had none.

Suddenly a fairy appeared and magically changed Little Pea's rags into beautiful clothes. As Little Pea ran to the festival, she dropped one of her shoes and lost it. The prince found the shoe and decided to marry the girl who owned the shoe. Of course the shoe fitted Little Pea and the prince fell in love with her.

1. lose - lost - lost (v)	: mất, thất lạc	-» choice (n)	: sự chọn lựa
2. daughter (n)	: con gái	15. poor (adj)	: tội nghiệp
3. die (v)	: chết, từ trần, hi sinh	16. none (pron)	: không ai / cái gì
-» death (n)	: sự chết, cái chết	17. fairy (n)	: tiên
-» dead (adj)	: chết	18. appear (v)	: xuất hiện
4. marry (v)	: kết hôn, cưới	≠ disappear (v)	: biến mất
-» marry S.O = get married to S.O		-» appearance (n)	: sự xuất hiện, vẻ bề ngoài
5. unfortunately (adv): rủi thay		19. magical (adj)	: kỳ diệu, thần thông
-» unfortunate (adj): bất hạnh, rủi ro		-» magically (adv)	: kỳ diệu, thần kỳ
6. cruel (adj) (+ to)	: độc ác, ác nghiệt	20. change (v, n)	: thay đổi
7. upset (adj)	: buồn phiền, lo lắng	21. rag (n)	: giẻ rách
8. broken heart (n)	: đau lòng, đau buồn	-» rags (n)	: quần áo rách
9. hold - held - held (v): tổ chức		22. drop (v)	: đánh rơi
10. festival (n)	: ngày hội, lễ hội	23. own (v)	: sở hữu, có
-» harvest festival (n): lễ tạ mùa		-» owner (n)	: người sở hữu, chủ nhân
11. excited (adj)	: phấn khởi, hào hứng	24. fit (v)	: vừa, hợp
12. prince (n)	: hoàng tử	25. immediately (adv)	: ngay lập tức
13. princess (n)	: công chúa	-» immediate (adj)	: lập tức, tức thì
14. choose - chose - chosen (v): chọn, lựa		26. fall in love with S.O (exp): phải lòng ai	

II. WRITE: Use the verbs in the box to complete the story

Burned	escaped	went	was	appeared	left	lit	tied	was grazing	said
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How the tiger got his stripes

One day, as a farmer was in the field and his buffalo (0) *was grazing* nearby, a tiger (1)..... .The tiger wanted to know why the strong buffalo was the servant and the small man (2)..... the master. The farmer(3)he had something called wisdom, but he (4)..... it at home that day. He (5)..... to get the wisdom, but before that he (6)..... the tiger to a tree with a rope because he didn't want it to eat the buffalo. When he returned, the farmer brought some straw with him. He said it was his wisdom. He (7)the straw and the fire (8)..... the tiger. The tiger (9)..... , but it still has black stripes from the burns to day.

27. bum (v)	: đốt	34. master (n)	: ông chủ
-» bum (n)	: vết phỏng	35. wise (adj)	: khôn ngoan, sáng suốt
28. escape (v)	: thoát ra, trốn thoát	-» wisdom (n)	: trí khôn
29. tie (v)	: cột	36. rope (n)	: dây thừng

30. graze (v)	: gặm cỏ	37. straw (n)	: rơm
31. nearby (adj, adv)	: gần đó	38. stripe (n)	: sọc, vằn
32. say - said - said (v)	: nói	-» striped (adj)	: có sọc, có vằn
33. servant (n)	: đầy tớ		

→ Now imagine you are the man. Use the words to write the story. Start like this:

One day, as I was in the field and ...

One day / I / field

Buffalo / graze / tiger / come

It / ask / why / strong buffalo / my servant / and I / its master

I / tell / tiger / I / have / wisdom

Tiger / want / see / it

I / tell / it / I / leave / wisdom / home

Then I / tie / tiger / tree / rope / I / didn't / want / eat / buffalo

I / go / get / straw / and / burn / tiger

Tiger / escape / still have / black stripes

EXERCISES

I. Supply the correct form of the words in the brackets.

- Our life is much better with the help of modem _____. (EQUIP)
- All the dancers wore _____ costumes. (TRADITION)
- _____, I lost my keys on the way home. (FORTUNATE)
- She was _____ enough to believe him. (FOOL)
- A fairy _____ changed Little Pea's rags into beautiful clothes. (MAGIC)
- Everyone was very _____ after hearing that news. (EXCITE)
- Her father soon died of a _____ heart. (BREAK)
- You made a wise _____ when you chose to study Spanish. (DECIDE)
- Her daughter has a good _____. (APPEAR)
- Who is the _____ of this building? (OWN)

II. Rewrite the following sentences, using "USED TO".

- She lived in Hue when she was young.

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- I played football ten years ago.

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- Long did not work very hard, but he does now.

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- Did you usually go to the movies last year?

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- Fred didn't play baseball a lot, but now he does every day.

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- What did you usually read as a child?

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- There was a bookshop beside the cinema.

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8. There were lots of trees along this Street.

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9. My sister didn't get to work on time, but she does nowadays.

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10. What has happened? David never did his work poorly.

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III. Rewrite the sentences without changing its meaning.

1. She usually got up late when she was young.

She used to

2. To go out at night is dangerous.

It is

3. Because of his laziness, he fails in his exam.

Because he

4. She is no longer a famous singer.

She used to

5. Roses can't possibly grow in such poor ground.

Growing

6. The river is not clean enough for me to swim.

The river is

7. The film was so boring that we turned off the TV.

The film was

8. I spent two hours cooking dinner.

It took