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**LESSON**

PART 1





# UNIT 1



# A Thrilling Match

## Warm Up



A. Children enjoy playing various games during the PT period. Mention any two games that you play with your friends at school.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

B. Cricket is one of the most popular games that is played and watched in India and many other parts of the world. Identify the cricketers and write their names from the box in the space provided.

M.S. Dhoni   Sachin Tendulkar   Virender Sehwag



## Read and Enjoy



Read an interesting account of a cricket match.

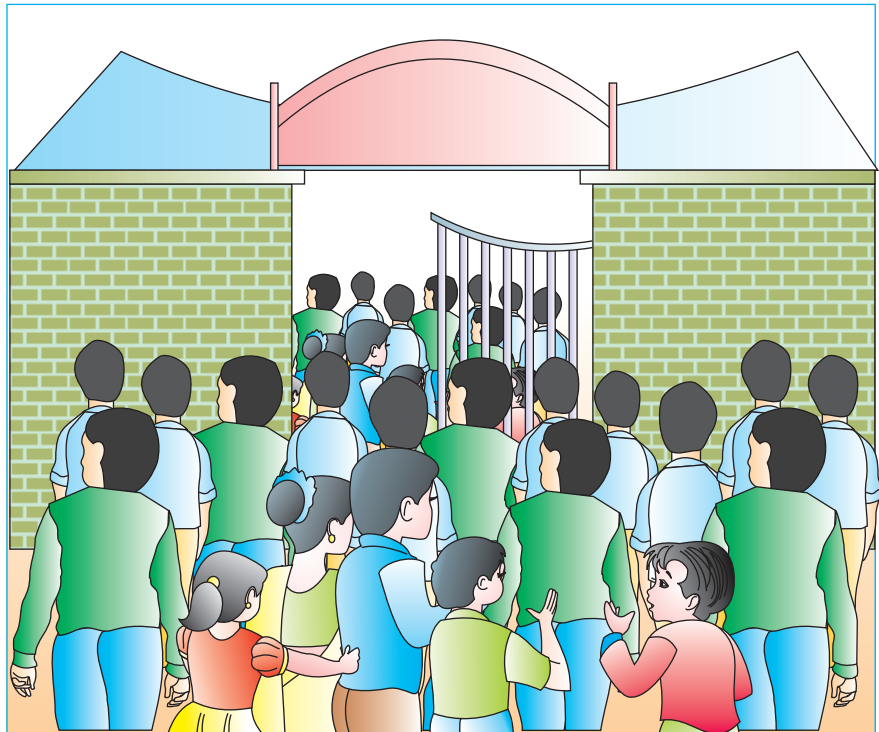
**crowd** : a large number of people

(All the details given in this story are imaginary.)

Hari and Sumant reached the Feroze Shah Kotla Stadium at four O' clock in the evening. They moved towards the entrance gate and were surprised to see a huge **crowd** of people over there.

It was going to be an exciting cricket match between the teams of Delhi and Bangalore. The match is being played in Delhi. The **IPL** T-20 matches are, no doubt, a crowd puller.

Suddenly, a man stood before them. He was selling **banners** and caps with slogans written in support of the Delhi team, the Delhi Daredevils. On the other hand, a lady was selling T-shirts and flags with **slogans** in support of the Bangalore team, the Royal



Challengers. Some boys and girls were busy **bargaining** and **purchasing** them.

Hari said, “Let’s go in first and sit down comfortably.” “The seats are not numbered, so let us **occupy** the front seats as quickly as possible,” said Sumant.

They showed their tickets to the ticket checker and went in. Within a few minutes, the two captains, Virender Sehwag of Delhi Daredevils and Daniel Vettori of Royal Challengers came for the **toss**. Bangalore won the toss and decided to bat first. The crowd shouted, “Come on Bangalore, you can do it.” Some of them yelled, “We are with you, Bangalore.”

The beating of drums and shouting of the spectators filled the air with some kind of magic. Hari and Sumant had never been to a stadium before to watch a cricket match. It was a completely new experience for them! The Delhi team came in for **fielding** and their supporters shouted loudly.

Tilakratne Dilshan and Chris Gayle came to bat first from the Bangalore team. The first bowler from the Delhi Daredevils team was Irfan Pathan. He bowled very fast and Chris Gayle hit the ball up in the air. The spectators shouted and clapped as it went out of the stadium. Hari said, “What a shot! Look, a fielder is

**IPL** : Indian Premier League

**banner** : a long strip of material with a message or slogan

**slogan** : a distinct group of words conveying a message

**bargain** : try to buy something at a lesser price

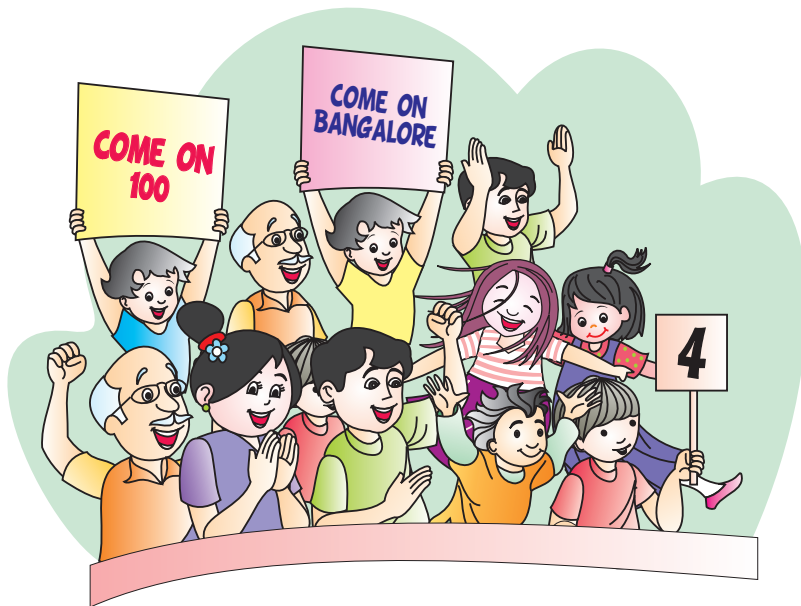
**purchase** : to buy

**occupy** : to take up space

**toss** : in the game of cricket, a coin is thrown up in the air to decide which team will have the first choice to bat or bowl

**fielding** : to act as a fielder on the playing field





clean bowled by Irfan Pathan next. As soon as he saw that he was clean bowled, he left the stadium while waving at the cheering crowds.

Virat Kohli came in next and played well. At the end of twenty overs, Royal Challengers had scored 190 runs in all. People **cheered** for them. Then followed a break, so Hari and Sumant moved towards the **cafeteria**. Hari said, "Let's have some snacks." Sumant said, "Oh! The people are rushing to the cafeteria." They bought two cans of orange juice and a big packet of popcorn. Soon, the match started.

Now it was time for the Delhi Daredevils to bat. Virender Sehwag and David Warner came to bat first. Their supporters cheered loud and clear. Zaheer Khan from the Bangalore team bowled first. Sehwag hit the ball straight and it crossed the boundary line. The **umpire** indicated that it was a four.

Later, the two batsmen scored 170 together. There was good bowling by other bowlers from the Bangalore team like Muttiah Murlitharan and Dirk Nannes. But David Warner was run out in the fifteenth over and Ross Taylor from the Delhi Daredevils came in to bat next. The game continued with lots of excitement.

At the end, there were five balls remaining and ten runs were needed for a win. Zaheer Khan bowled and Ross Taylor was caught out as the ball went up high for an easy catch. The catch was taken by Virat Kohli, but he slipped and fell badly while doing so. The match came to a **halt** and all the players rushed to his help. They

running to catch the ball, but he just cannot reach anywhere near it." Sumant said, "It is a good shot indeed." Even Irfan Pathan clapped for Chris Gayle. Hari said "See, that's true **sportsman spirit**. He is **appreciating** the player of his opponent team."

Soon, in fifteen overs, bowled by Irfan Pathan and other bowlers of his team, the Bangalore team scored 150 runs. Chris Gayle was

**sportsman spirit** : taking in a good sense

**appreciate** : to value or regard highly

**cheer** : a shout of encouragement and congratulation

**cafeteria** : a lunch room or a dining hall in a school or stadium, where food is taken from the counter by each individual to his or her own table

**umpire** : a person whose job is to watch a game and make sure that rules are not broken

**halt** : stop

gathered around and helped him stretch his legs until the medical help arrived. Soon, all was fine.

Kevin Pietersen came in to bat but unfortunately could not score fast. There was absolute silence in the stadium. The score was 188 when Zaheer Khan bowled the last ball of the day. Pietersen looked at the ball and hit it hard, straight out of the stadium. And it was a sixer! Hari and Sumant shouted with others as they cheered this unbelievable victory. Sumant said, “What a **thrilling** match it was!” Hari nodded and smiled, “Indeed, it was.”



**thrilling** : exciting

## Read and Understand



**A. Read the following statements carefully and put a tick (✓) for the correct and a cross (X) for the incorrect statements.**

1. Hari and Sumant saw a big crowd at the stadium entrance gate.
2. A man was selling caps and banners near the stadium.
3. A lady was selling bags and bottles with slogans written in support of the Royal Challengers.
4. Hari and Sumant often watched matches at the stadium.
5. Chris Gayle scored six runs on Irfan Pathan’s first ball.
6. Virat Kohli could not play well because he was injured.
7. Virender Sehwag and David Warner came to bat first from the Delhi Daredevils team.
8. The two friends bought sandwiches and wafers from the cafeteria during the break.
9. Ross Taylor was caught by Virat Kohli.
10. Kevin Pietersen scored a sixer on Zaheer Khan’s last ball.

**B. Tick (✓) the correct answer.**

1. The cricket match was played at the

(a) Eden Gardens

(b) Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium

(c) Feroze Shah Kotla Stadium

(d) Wankhede Stadium

2. The toss was won by the

(a) Australian team

(b) Delhi Daredevils

(c) Royal Challengers

(d) Rajasthan Royals

**C. Answer the following questions.**

1. Who was the captain of the Delhi Daredevils team?
2. Who was the captain of the Royal Challengers team?
3. Who clean bowled Chris Gayle?
4. How many runs did the Royal Challengers score at the end of twenty overs?
5. Where did Hari and Sumant buy snacks from?
6. Which team won the cricket match?



**D. HOTS**

1. Do you think that it is very important for players to have sportsman spirit? Discuss.
2. How did Irfan Pathan show true sportsman spirit?

**Fun with Grammar**



**Simple Present Tense**

**Read the following sentences carefully.**

1. The ticket checker **checks** all the tickets carefully.
2. The players always **reach** the ground on time.

In the above sentences, the coloured words are verbs (doing words). They are in the simple present tense.

❖ We use the simple present tense when the verb mentions an action without indicating whether it is completed, or is incomplete.

**Example:** I **play** with a ball in the evening.

- ❖ The simple present tense is also used to express an action that tells about a habit.

**Example:** I **drink** milk every morning.

- ❖ The simple present tense is also used to express general truths.

**Example:** The sun **rises** in the east.

**A. Underline verbs in the simple present tense in the following sentences.**

1. Most people like cricket matches.
2. Spectators cheer for their favourite teams.
3. Ravi plays cricket every evening.
4. Cricket players keep themselves fit.



Words like **is**, **am** and **are** are also verbs. They are called '**be**' verbs.

- ❖ We often use them as status verbs. They show what the subject of a sentence is.

**Examples:** 1. She **is** a cricketer. *Or* She's a cricketer. ('s = is)

2. We **are** cricket fans. *Or* We're cricket fans.

3. I **am** a big fan of Dhoni. *Or* I'm a big fan of Dhoni.

- ❖ We may also use 'be' verbs to form the continuous or progressive tenses.

**Example:** They are playing cricket. *Or* They're playing cricket.

We also use 'has' and 'have' as main verbs in the present tense. In such cases, they are used as ordinary verbs to show possession.

**Examples:** 1. He **has** two tickets for today's cricket match.

2. We **have** four tickets for today's cricket match.

In the above sentences, **has** and **have** show possession.

**B. Fill in the blanks with simple present tense forms of verbs given in the brackets.**

1. Hari and Sumant \_\_\_\_\_ in the stadium. (**is, are**)
2. Virender Sehwag \_\_\_\_\_ the captain of Delhi Daredevils. (**are, is**)
3. Daniel Vettori \_\_\_\_\_ a new bat. (**have, has**)
4. My friend \_\_\_\_\_ three tickets for today's match. (**have, has**)
5. The players \_\_\_\_\_ regularly to improve their performance. (**play, plays**)

## Present Continuous Tense

We use the **present continuous tense** (or **Present Progressive Tense**) to express an action that is going on at the time of speaking.

**Example:** The children are playing cricket.

You must have noticed that we write 'is' / 'are' / 'am' + action word + '-ing' to use verbs in the present progressive tense, e.g., bat + ing → batting and, write + ing → writing.

**C. Fill in the blanks with the present continuous tense forms of verbs given in the brackets.**

1. All the players \_\_\_\_\_ in the ground for the match. (practise)
2. Hari and Sumant \_\_\_\_\_ in support of Delhi Daredevils. (shout)
3. Zaheer Khan \_\_\_\_\_ quite well today. (bowl)
4. I am \_\_\_\_\_ my homework right now. (do)
5. The children \_\_\_\_\_ very well. (play)
6. The teacher \_\_\_\_\_ us English. (teach)

## Simple Past Tense

We use the simple past tense to express an action completed in the past. We often use words like 'yesterday', 'last week', 'a month ago', 'last night', etc., when we indicate such an action.

**Examples:** 1. Virat Kohli batted well yesterday.

2. Zaheer Khan bowled well in the last match.
3. The players of Delhi Daredevils played well last week.
4. We bought five tickets for the match.



We usually add -d, -ed or change the form of verbs while using them in the simple past tense forms, e.g., love → loved, play → played, write → wrote and buy → bought.

Verbs like was, were, had are also used in the simple past tense.





**B. Fill in the blanks with 'ight' or 'it' to form meaningful words.**

1. l \_\_\_\_\_

2. m \_\_\_\_\_

3. k \_\_\_\_\_

4. b \_\_\_\_\_

5. n \_\_\_\_\_

6. f \_\_\_\_\_

**LET'S READ**

**Read the following passage :**

The Indian women's cricket team has many good players. The team played the 1st match in 1976-1977 with West Indies in a six match series. The team won its first Asia cup in 2004. It won three more Asia cups after that. The Indian women's cricket team reach the finals of 2005 world cup, losing to Australia, in the final match. The current captain of Indian women's cricket team is Mithali Raj. The team has played many Test Matches, one day International Matches and T20-Matches under various captains.

**Now answer the questions.**

1. When did the Indian Women's Cricket Team play the first match with West Indies?
2. Which cup did the Indian Women's Cricket Team win in 2004?
3. How many Asia Cups has the team won in all?
4. Which team defeated the Indian Women's Cricket Team in the World Cup 2005 final?
5. Who is the current captain of the team?

**LET'S PRACTISE**

**Follow your teacher while he/she is saying and pronounce the words correctly.**

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1. look

2. book

3. put

4. hook

5. cook

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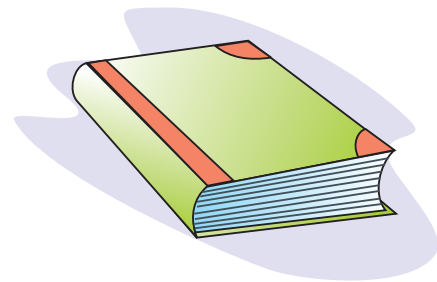
1. boot

2. hoot

3. root

4. food

5. shoot



**LET'S CONVERSE**

**Read the following conversation and enact it out with your partner in the class.**

**Shalini** : I went to watch a cricket match yesterday.

**Rafi** : Really? How was the match?

Shalini : It was good.  
 Rafi : Where was the match played?  
 Shalini : At Feroze Shah Kotla Stadium.  
 Rafi : O.K. Did you enjoy it?  
 Shalini : Of course. I did.



## RHYME TIME

Read aloud the following poem and then recite it in groups.

The match soon started,  
 The bowler bowled,  
 The batsman batted,  
 As the spectators loudly cheered.  
 The little girl intently watched,  
 with wide open eyes,  
 She, no doubt, was most excited,  
 To hear the shouts and cries.  
 When the match got over,  
 She smiled and looked around,  
 In her mind it would hover,  
 The joy and thrill that she had found.



Now answer the following.

**A. Spot out the rhyming words in the poem.**

**B. Answer the following questions orally.**

1. Who cheered the players when the match was going on?
2. Who was most excited while watching the match?

**C. Match the words that have similar meanings.**

### Words

### Synonyms

- |            |         |               |
|------------|---------|---------------|
| 1. started | (     ) | (a) observed  |
| 2. watched | (     ) | (b) thrilled  |
| 3. excited | (     ) | (c) began     |
| 4. joy     | (     ) | (d) happiness |

## WRITING SKILLS

### Transcription

Copy the following passage neatly in your notebook. Add full stops (.) and write capital letters wherever needed.

the blowing of drums and shouting of the spectators filled the air with some kind of magic hari and sumant had never been to a stadium before to watch a cricket match it was a completely new experience for them

### Composition

Complete the following sentences by adding appropriate words of your own.

1. Within a few minutes \_\_\_\_\_
2. The crowd was \_\_\_\_\_
3. It was time for \_\_\_\_\_
4. At the end \_\_\_\_\_
5. They gathered \_\_\_\_\_

## HOMEWORK

Complete the following passage by filling in appropriate words.

The match \_\_\_\_\_ with bowling of \_\_\_\_\_. Hari \_\_\_\_\_ Sumant \_\_\_\_\_ extremely happy. To them it \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ experience. Like others they \_\_\_\_\_ also \_\_\_\_\_ the caps \_\_\_\_\_ slogans \_\_\_\_\_ of the Delhi team.

## PROJECT WORK

Go through the newspapers and collect a clipping of a cricket match that was played recently. Paste it in your notebook. Underline the names of cricketers mentioned in it and copy the names in your notebooks. You may add the names of a few more cricketers that you know.

## VALUE CORNER / LIFE SKILLS

Remember winning or losing is not important, but participation is what matters. Have sportive spirit in any competition or academics.