

# The Jungle Book

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## Chapters 1–2

### 1 Which of these are right about Mowgli?

Correct the wrong sentences.

- a He came to Father Wolf's cave in the Seeonee Mountains on a hot evening.
- b He had white clothes on.
- c Mother Wolf had five other cubs.
- d Shere Khan wanted the cub for food.
- e Mother Wolf called him Mowgli. His name means 'the small monkey'.
- f When Mowgli was in front of the Pack, Baloo and Bagheera spoke for him. The black panther bought him for a dead bull.
- g Mowgli lived with the wolves for eleven years. He learnt the law of the jungle well.
- h Sometimes, he went to the village and played with the boys and girls there.

### 2 Match the letters (a–g) with the numbers (1–7) to complete the sentences:

- a The animals don't like Tabaqui, the jungle dog, ...
- b Shere Khan screamed ...
- c Raksha wanted ...
- d Akela, the great grey wolf, ...
- e Baloo, the brown bear, ...
- f Bagheera, the black panther, ...
- g The red flower ...
  - 1 ... because he wanted to hunt man.
  - 2 ... taught the wolf cubs the law of the jungle.
  - 3 ... is fire in a pot.
  - 4 ... because he makes men angry and then they hunt.
  - 5 ... was very dangerous and nobody wanted to fight with him.
  - 6 ... was the leader of the Pack.
  - 7 ... the man cub to stay with her cubs.

### 3 What happened first? Put the sentences in order. Write the numbers 1–7.

- a Mowgli was eleven years old. Shere Khan wanted to make friends with him and the young wolves.
- b Shere Khan and the young wolves left the mountain.
- c Mowgli went to the village and got a fire pot from a house.
- d He threw the fire pot on the ground and the animals were afraid.
- e Akela and Shere Khan fought. Akela fell.

- f Bagheera talked to Mowgli. He said: 'Get the red flower.'
- g Mowgli left his wolf family and went to the village.

## Chapters 3–4

### 4 Who says these words? What are they talking about?

- a 'No he doesn't have to be afraid of anybody.'
- b 'The Bandar-log do that.'
- c 'Their way is not our way'
- d 'What is your name, brother?'
- e 'I, too, am hungry.'
- f 'They are taking him across the river to the monkey city.'
- g 'They are dangerous in large numbers.'
- h 'To the water. Fight your way to the water.'

### 5 Answer the questions.

- a What do the monkeys do when Baloo is talking to Mowgli about the Bandar-log?
- b What do Baloo and Bagheera do when the monkeys carry Mowgli up into the treetops?
- c What does Chil use to see who has given a bird call?
- d Who are the monkeys afraid of?
- e What is Monkey City like?
- f Why does Mowgli make the snake call?
- g What made the monkeys quiet?

### 6 Say why ...?

- a Baloo was happy with Mowgli.
- b Mowgli doesn't have to be afraid of anybody.
- c Kaa will help Baloo and Bagheera.
- d The monkeys bring Mowgli some food.
- e Mowgli cannot help Bagheera when he starts fighting.

### 7 Find the mistakes. Make the sentences right.

- a The monkeys shout angrily when Baloo is in the water.
- b Kaa hears Bagheera's bird call and comes down the mountain fast.
- c Old monkeys are afraid of Kaa.
- d The snakes with Mowgli want him to stay.
- e The snakes aren't Mowgli's friends.
- f Kaa pushes the wall with his tail.
- g The moon is going up and Kaa starts dancing.
- h Mowgli puts his hands on Baloo and Bagheera and the animals danced.
- i Mowgli is sorry because he spoke to Kaa.

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**8 Finish these sentences.**

- a Bagheera heard Mowgli. He now knew that the boy ...
- b Baloo hit the monkeys and threw dead monkeys to the ...
- c Kaa killed a lot of monkeys and the others ...
- d Baloo's coat was stronger than Bagheera's but ...
- e Kaa broke down ...
- f Mowgli didn't kill but he ...
- g Kaa began with the snake dance and the monkeys ...
- h Mowgli was wrong so Baloo and Bagheera ...

**Chapters 5–6**

**9 Who's who? Choose the right words and complete the sentences.**

The Fat Man   Messua   Mowgli  
 Grey Brother   Shere Khan   Buldeo  
 Akela   Mother Wolf

- a ..... has got Messua's boy's face.
- b ..... will come back when he has a new coat.
- c ..... thinks Mowgli has to work. He tells the boy to look after the village buffaloes.
- d ..... takes the buffaloes through the jungle to the river.
- e ..... is angry with Mowgli because he thinks the boy didn't look after the herd.
- f ..... is very kind with Mowgli.
- g ..... stays with the cows.
- h ..... was happy when she saw the tiger's skin.

**10 Find words in the story and write them in the spaces.**

..... shouts down the river and the sleepy ..... answers back 'Who is it?' Mowgli wants to take the tiger back with him to the mountain top. Then, ..... gives the great hunting call of the ..... and the herd starts ..... . The bulls run into the dry river. The ..... run faster and faster. Rama, the biggest buffalo, sees Shere Khan and calls loudly to the other bulls. Shere Khan hears them and looks for a way out of the ..... . But the ..... are too high. A call from the cows at the other end

answers the bulls' call. The bulls meet the ..... . Shere Khan is .....

**11 Answer the questions.**

- a What did Mowgli do to become a village boy? .....
- b How did Grey Brother and Akela help Mowgli kill the tiger? .....
- c What did the villagers do when Mowgli came back after killing the tiger? .....
- d Why did Messua cry when Mowgli left the village? .....
- e Why were Mother Wolf's eyes happy when Mowgli came back? .....

**12 Match A and B**

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>
Mowgli didn't stop at the first village ...	but he followed her.
The small boys saw Mowgli ...	and told stories about the animals in the jungle.
Mowgli didn't understand when Messua spoke to him ...	and looked for a way out of the river.
Buldeo sat under a tree ...	and quickly there were two.
The wolves ran in and out of the herd ...	because some animals there hated him.
Shere Khan heard the herd of buffalo bulls ...	and ran away.

**After reading**

- 13** Work in small groups with other students. Look at the names of the chapters in the book. Write a different name for each chapter and write one sentence to say what happens in that chapter.
- 14** Work in pairs. Look back at the pictures of the animals in this book on page 6. How many animals can you name? e.g. the bear = Baloo.
- 15** Talk to two other students. Did you enjoy this story? Why or why not? Write down what you think. Then read it to the class. Do other students think the same as you?

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## Chapters 1–2

- 1 Say who is talking to whom and what they are talking about.
- a 'I want my food. A man-cub came here. Give it to me.'  
.....
- b 'What will our Pack say?'  
.....
- c 'Take him away. Teach him to be a brave wolf.'  
.....
- d 'Be careful of Shere Khan. One day you will have to kill him.'  
.....
- e 'Now I know you are a man.'  
.....

## 2 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

### Change the wrong sentences.

- a Mowgli grew strong and brave in the jungle and he helped the wolves when they cut their feet in the jungle.
- b Bagheera said: 'When Akela is old and weak, he will not be the leader of the Pack. You will take his place.'
- c When Akela is not the leader, the pack will fight Mowgli.
- d Mowgli used the fire to make the animals afraid and help Akela against the tiger.
- e Mowgli went to the village after the fight. He asked Bagheera to tell mother wolf.

## Chapters 3–4

### 3 Match the numbers (1–5) with the letters (a–e).

- 1 Baloo is ...
- 2 Bagheera is ...
- 3 Kaa is ...
- 4 Mowgli has ...
- 5 The young monkeys are ...
- a friends everywhere.
- b not so quick but is very strong.
- c afraid of Kaa.
- d a fast panther.
- e quick and quiet.

## Chapters 5–6

### 4 Which is right? 1, 2 or 3?

- a Messua took Mowgli to her house because ...
- 1 She was a kind woman.
- 2 She was sure Mowgli was her son.
- 3 Mowgli had her son's face.
- b Mowgli took the buffaloes near the jungle ...
- 1 because there was better vegetation there.
- 2 because the animals had to drink water from the Waingunga River.
- 3 because he wanted to meet his brothers, the wolves.
- c Grey Brother got information about Shere Khan ...
- 1 because the Pack came back to the mountain top.
- 2 because Tabaqui told him everything.
- 3 because Akela met Tabaqui in the mountains and told him about the tiger.
- d Mowgli thought the tiger was stupid ...
- 1 because he was afraid of bulls.
- 2 because he was waiting for Mowgli in the big dry river bed.
- 3 because he ate before meeting Mowgli.
- e Shere Khan was not brave because ...
- 1 he did not try to fight.
- 2 he wanted to kill the boy in the dry river.
- 3 he needed Tabaqui's help.

### 5 Put these in the right order. Write the numbers, 1–10.

- a Grey Brother and Akela helped him with the herd.
- b Messua ran to Mowgli and told him to go or the villagers would kill him.
- c When they arrived at the first houses in the village, they heard noises.
- d She was happy the tiger was dead.
- e Mowgli went to Mother Wolf's cave and brought her the skin of Shere Khan.
- f In the evening, Mowgli finished pulling off Shere Khan's great skin.
- g Mowgli thought they were happy because Shere Khan was dead.
- h But the villagers were not happy. They shouted 'Go away' to Mowgli.
- i So he had to take the buffaloes back home.
- j Mowgli took Shere Khan's coat and left the village.