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(Let's watch the YouTube video to learn some tips to attempt a Reading Comprehension through the following link given below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ibT8y3fwdY&feature=youtu.be>

Now read the following passage carefully:

## **Diary of a Dancer**

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Alicia carried the box to the attic and placed it next to all the other boxes to be moved. She couldn't believe how much stuff her grandparents had accumulated over the years. And they insisted on bringing it all to their new house. (paragraph 1)

Alicia walked to the window and peered down at the street below. The town was very quiet. Alicia's grandparents had a pool at their previous house. This house was much smaller and the yard couldn't fit a pool. But the attic was interesting. It was like a complete room with a low ceiling. She saw a bundle of sheets, a bunch of keys and an album of photographs lying in there. (paragraph 2)

Alicia figured she could ask her grandparents if she could put a chair up here and maybe a table, too. It wouldn't be a bad place to hang out. She saw a trunk in



the corner and a book resting on the floor in front of it. Alicia picked up the book. The cover was blank, so she flipped through the pages. "A diary!" Alicia said. She sat down and started to read. The girl in the diary was amazing. She was a dancer. Alicia had always wanted to take dance classes, but she wasn't the most graceful person. She worried she'd embarrass herself. (paragraph 3)

Alicia read the diary for a long time, until her grandmother walked into the attic room. "What do you have there?" Grandma Maggie asked. Alicia held up the diary. "I found this diary on top of the trunk. I think it belonged to the girl who used to live here." Grandma Maggie shook her head, "No, sweetie. That's my old diary, from when I was about your age." Alicia's eyes widened, "You're the girl in the diary? But she was a dancer."

Grandma Maggie twirled across the attic, "Yes, I was. Looks like I still remember a few things, too." (paragraph 4)

Alicia smiled on learning that her granny was a great dancer. Her happiness reflected in her eyes. "I wish I knew how to dance.", she said. Grandma Maggie looked around the attic, "I think there will be enough room for a dance studio up here, after we go through all these boxes. What do you say, you help me sort through all this stuff, and then I'll teach you a few things about dance?"

"That would be great!" Alicia said, opening the box closest to her. (paragraph 5)

Please do the following questions in your notebook

Q1. What was Alicia doing at the beginning of this story?

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Q2. When Alicia began reading the diary, to whom did she think it belonged?

- a. her mother
- b. her aunt
- c. her grandmother
- d. a girl she'd never met

Q3. Where does this story take place?

- a. in the attic of the home her grandparents are moving away from.
- b. in the attic of Alicia's new home.
- c. in the studio where Alicia had learned to dance.

Q4. List the correct order of these events. Write 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> on the lines.

\_\_\_\_\_ Alicia discovers that the book was written by a dancer.

\_\_\_\_\_ Grandma Maggie offers to teach her how to dance.

\_\_\_\_\_ Alicia sees a book on the floor.

\_\_\_\_\_ Grandma Maggie notices Alicia reading the book.

\_\_\_\_\_ Alicia realizes the book is a diary.

Q5. Find a word from the story to match each definition.

A) **Meaning:** collected over a long period of time (paragraph1)

Answer: a \_\_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ e d

B) **Meaning:** looked (paragraph2)

Answer: p \_ \_ \_ r \_ \_ d

C) **Meaning:** wouldn't take no for an answer (paragraph1)

Answer: \_ \_ n \_ \_ i \_ \_ \_ e \_ \_

D) **Meaning:** spun around and around (paragraph4)

Answer: t \_ \_ r l \_ \_ \_

E) Meaning: place where an artist or dancer works or learns (paragraph 5)

Answer: s \_ \_ u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Q6. Pick any one Common Noun, Proper Noun, Concrete Noun, Abstract Noun and Collective Noun from the given passage.

### WORDLY WISE

WEEK- IV

DAY 1(11.05.2020)

(Please Remember:- This work is to be done in the Vocabulary Notebook or the second half of your Lifeskills Notebook)

Dear children

This week we are going to learn the next five words as part of our Wordly Wise exercise.

Read aloud the words given below and their meanings. Now, try to frame one sentence each with these words on your own.

- a. **gratitude**- the quality of being thankful
- b. **nutrition**- the process of obtaining the food necessary for health and growth.
- c. **robust**- strong and healthy
- d. **quarantine**-a state, period or place of isolation
- e. **meditation**-the action or practice of meditating

### VOCABULARY ENRICHMENT

Children, in this section, we are familiarising you with single words which convey something that is more than ordinary. You have learnt many words in the previous two weeks. Let us look at two more words today:-

\* 'exhausted' can be used in place of 'very tired' – Her was exhausted after the long journey.

\* 'very clear' can be replaced with 'obvious' – The answer seems obvious enough to me.

You must try and make use of them while conversing with others.