

Unit 2 Play script



Working out the meaning of unfamiliar words

Henry is reading an excerpt from a play script. Read the play script.

Characters: Howie—a horse Snowy—a sheep

Act 1 Scene 1: In the forest

Snowy : *(running to Howie)* Howie! Help!

Howie : What's wrong, Snowy?

Snowy : I'm running away from the farm. Please help me!

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Howie : Sure! But why are you running away from it?

Snowy : *(takes a deep breath)* Mr Smith, the farm's owner, wants to take my family and me to a big house. When we almost arrive at the house, I hear some friends crying and screaming inside. They sound very scared! We know that Mr Smith wants to kill us, so we run away. I get **seperated** from my family.

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Howie : Oh no! Let's go to a **safe** place first. Follow me, Snowy!

Act 1 Scene 2: By the river

Howie : We are **safe** now. *(pause)* I don't understand, Snowy. Why does Mr Smith want to kill you and your family?

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Snowy : I hear him talking with some cooks. They want to hold a **mutton** feast in their restaurants. They say that our meat is very **nutritious** because it is rich in protein and contains a lot of minerals.

Howie : *(shocked)* Mr Smith has to kill a lot of sheep for the feast! That's **terrible**! Can they eat other food to get the nutrients?

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Snowy : Of course! They can eat vegetables like beans, sweet potatoes and tomatoes. Just like mutton, they are rich in protein and minerals like potassium and iron. Sweet potatoes even have a very high level of vitamin A!

Howie : I see. Vegetables and fruit are nutritious too. I think the cooks can hold a vegetarian feast instead of a mutton feast. It can **save** many lives!

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Safe is an adjective and **save** is a verb.
e.g. Joe **saves (v.)** a dog. It is **safe (adj.)** now.

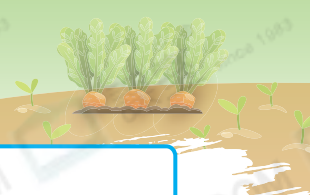


10 mins



Read the play script and role-play with your classmates.

DATE



Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

1. Where does Howie meet Snowy?

- A. on the farm
- C. in a big house

- B. in the forest
- D. by the river

2. Who are crying and screaming in the big house?

- A. Snowy's friends
- C. Snowy's family

- B. Snowy and her family
- D. Snowy and her friends



3. In line 16, what is 'mutton'?

- A. wool from a sheep
- C. meat from a sheep

- B. nutritious meat
- D. meat from a horse



Tip
Q4: Read what Howie says.

4. Read line 19. How does Howie feel?



A.



B.



C.



D.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

5. What does Howie think about the idea of a mutton feast? Why?

6. What minerals does mutton contain?

Match the pictures to the words. Write the correct letters in the boxes.

Food	Nutrients
7.	protein, potassium and iron
8.	potassium and vitamin A



Food A



Food B

READING