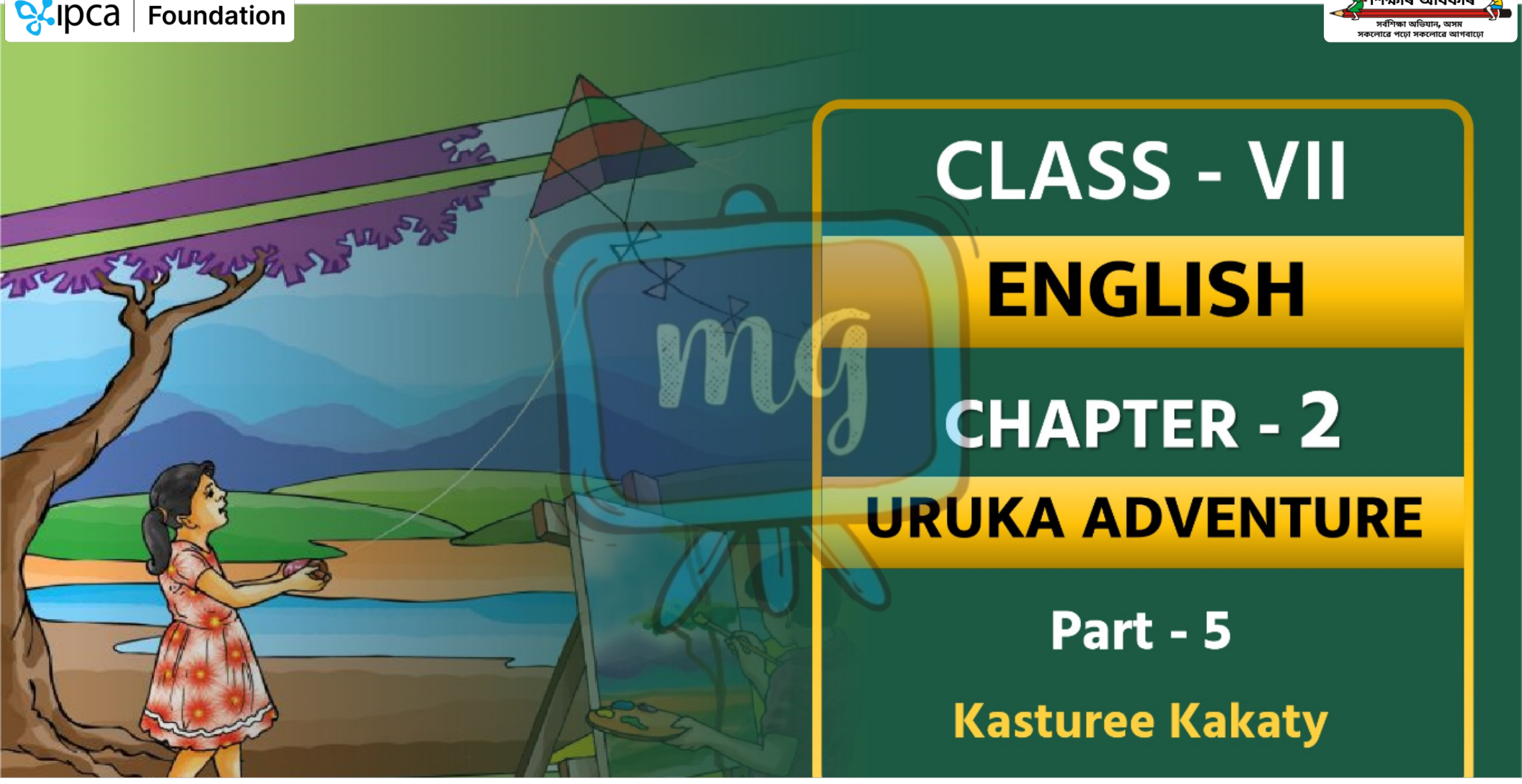
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CLASS - VII

ENGLISH

CHAPTER - 2

URUKA ADVENTURE

Part - 5

Kasturee Kakaty

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8. (a) Read the paragraphs given below carefully. They describe what the friends did on uruka night.

All the words highlighted in italics bold refer to actions that took place in the past.

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Mahen and his friends ***decided*** to hold a feast together. They ***planned*** to hold the feast at Mahen's compound. Mahen and Sanju ***said*** that they would do the shopping for the feast at the nearby market. Mahen's friends Nantu and Rinku ***suggested*** that they should cook for the feast themselves.

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Rumon ***offered*** to cook the vegetables and the fish. Sanju and Nantu said that they would cook the rice, the lentils and the chicken. The five friends ***proposed*** that they would spend the entire night at Mahen's compound.

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As planned earlier, the five boys ***built*** a big shed using straw and bamboo. Rumon's uncle ***helped*** them with the task. The boys joyfully ***cooked*** for the feast with a little supervision and help from Mahen's mother.

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When the feast ***was*** over, Mahen ***commanded*** his friends to follow him on their nocturnal adventure. They ***made*** straight for Shantiram's house at the end of the lane. The five friends ***tiptoed*** into his garden after crossing the nongola.

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Suddenly, they ***saw*** a black heap of garbage in the middle of the rows of vegetables. They ***thought*** it was inert and harmless. But when the boys **stretched** their hands to pick the vegetables, the heap suddenly **moved**. Terrified, they **fled** from the scene. What a narrow escape they **had**!

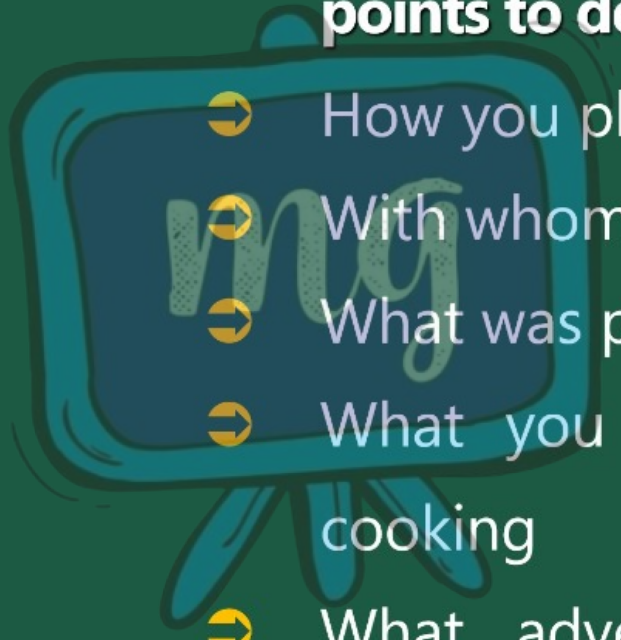
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Now sit in groups. Then, using verbs in similar forms, tell the group how you celebrated one of your festivals this year. Did you have an adventure like Mahen or was it a rather ordinary experience for you?

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Remember to include the following points to describe your experience:

- How you planned for the festival
- With whom you celebrated it
- What was prepared for the festival
- What you ate and who did the cooking
- What adventures you had with your friends

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Diwali

Diwali also known as Deepawali is a festival of lights that symbolizes the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness

This year I planed to celebrate Diwali with my friends. We decided to light only earthen oil lamps which are eco-friendly.

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Diwali

We decorated our home with rangoli, flowers and marigold garlands. A variety of sweets and delicacies were made by mother and I helped her too. We all wore new clothes and offered puja.

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Diwali

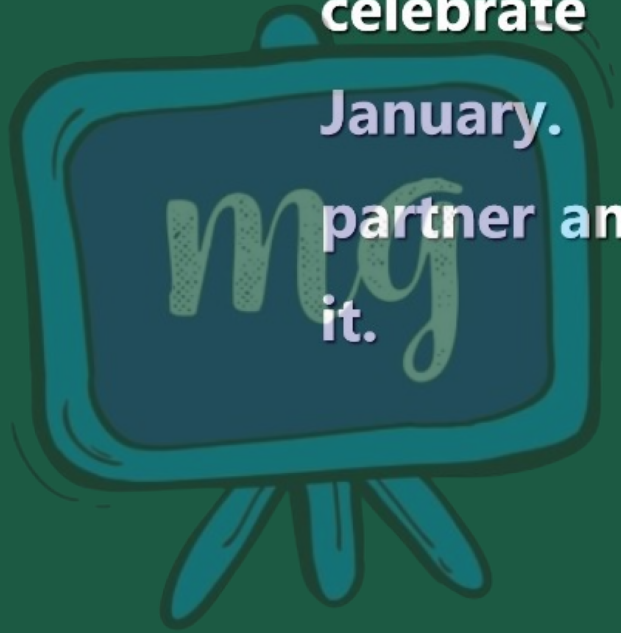
Later me and my friends exchanged gifts and went to the terrace to watch vibrant fireworks in the sky.

Thus this year my Diwali was marked by fun, feasting and merriment.

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(b) Name a festival that all Indians celebrate in the month of January. Discuss with your partner and write a few lines on it.



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Republic Day

Republic day is celebrated on January 26th each year in India. It marks the day in 1950 when the Constitution of India came in to effect. India as a whole celebrates the occasion with great joy and fervor.

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Republic Day

On this day the President of India hoist the National flag at Rajpath, New Delhi. The State Governments raises the tricolour in the State Capital. We remember our national heroes or freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for the country.

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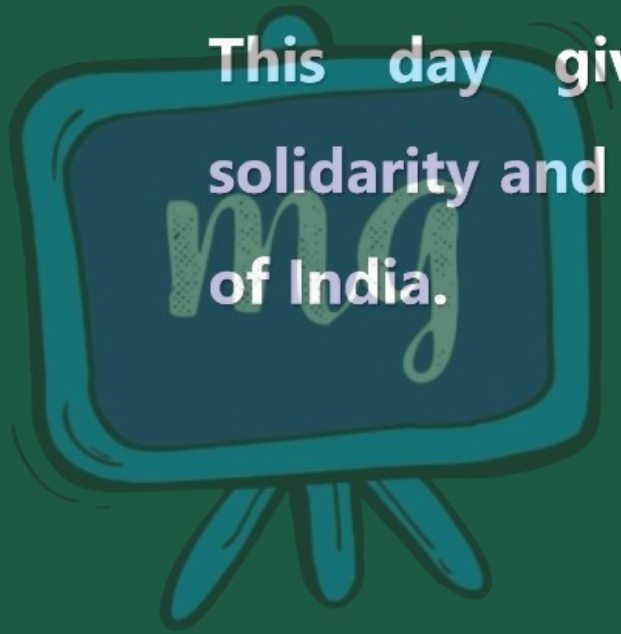
Republic Day

Schools and colleges all over the country organizes different competitions centered on the Indian freedom struggle like speech competitions, essay writing competitions, patriotic song singing competitions etc.

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Republic Day



This day gives the message of solidarity and freedom to the people of India.

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11. Look at the pictures in box A and read the dialogue in the bubble. Now choose the correct response from those in box B to fill up the bubble C.

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A

Let's run! Are you OK?





C Don't worry. I am OK. You carry on. I'll join you in a while.

B

(i) I am sorry. I do apologise for my fault.

(ii) Don't worry. I am OK. You carry on. I'll join you in a while.

(iii) I am not OK. I am suffering from fever.

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Now, practise the dialogue with your partner.



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12. Read the following words. Some of them are related to adventure. Find out the meanings of those words and make sentences with them:

plan	thrill	excitement
enjoyment	feast	cooperation
experiment	night	custom
voice		

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1. Plan (আঁচনি) - I plan to go abroad in November.
2. Thrill (অতি আনন্দ বা উত্তেজনা জগা কার্য) – We were thrilled to hear that our school team won the trophy.
3. Excitement (উত্তেজনা) – In her excitement she spoke very fast.
4. Enjoyment (আনন্দ উপভোগ কৰা) – I watched the football match for my enjoyment.

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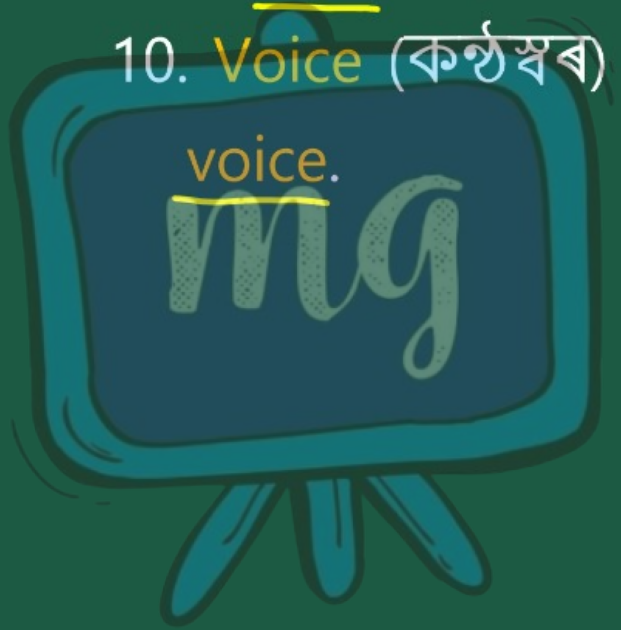
5. Feast (ভোজ) – There were hundreds of guest at the royal wedding feast.
6. Co-operation (সহযোগিতা) – I need your co-operation to make this event a success.
7. Custom (ৰীতি-নীতি) – Ravi has tried to adapt to local customs.
8. Experiment (পৰীক্ষা-নিৰীক্ষা) – The students carried out a new chemistry experiment in the laboratory.

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9. Night (ৰাতি) – The moon shines brightly at night.

10. Voice (কণ্ঠস্বৰ) – She has a melodious voice.



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13. Let's do:

Magh Bihu is one festival which is linked to nature and its nurture. It is also a celebration of the northward movement of the sun called Uttaraayan (uttar means north and aayana means movement).

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Bihu, Karbi-Dehal-Kachir-Dom, Karam Puja, etc. are all festivals closely linked to nature.

In groups, choose a festival like the above and make a poster on it.

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Remember to use pictures and interesting captions (headings) along with short descriptions of the food, dress, rituals, etc. that are part of the festival.