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CLASS - VII

ENGLISH

CHAPTER - 6

DHUNU'S GUITAR

Part - 2

ACTIVITIES

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ACTIVITIES

1. Let's find out how much we have understood:

(a) What is meant by the word 'profession'? (2)

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(a) What is meant by the word ‘profession’?

Answer : The job that we do to earn money when we grow up is called a profession.

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(b) Where is Dhunu from? (২)

Answer : Dhunu is a young girl from Kalardiya village near Chaigaon in Kamrup district of Assam.

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(c) Who made the film **Village Rockstars**? (1)

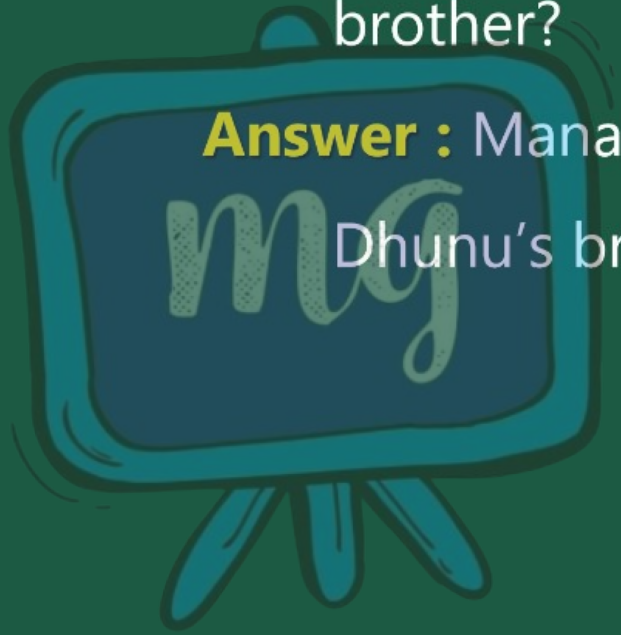
Answer : Rima Das made the film Village Rockstars.

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(d) What is the name of Dhunu's brother? (1)

Answer : Manabendra was the name of Dhunu's brother.



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(e) Why did the village women often scold Dhunu? (2)

Answer : The village women often scolded Dhunu because she behaved like a boy and played with boys instead of girls.

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(f) What did Dhunu's mother tell the women who scolded her daughter? (2)

Answer : Dhunu's mother told the women who scolded her daughter that none of them came to help her after her husband's death. She has been doing both a man's job as well as a woman's job, earning money and looking after her children, her animals and her land.

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(g) What did Dhunu decide to do after meeting the musicians at a local event?

(1)

Answer : After meeting the musicians at a local event Dhunu decided to form their own band.

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(h) What plan did Dhunu propose after she realized that she could not afford to buy a guitar? (2)

Answer : The plan that Dhunu proposed her friends after she realized that she could not afford to buy a guitar was to make Styrofoam musical instruments and found their happiness by playing with Styrofoam instruments.

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(i) Why did Dhunu start doing odd jobs around the village? (২)

Answer : Dhunu started doing odd jobs around the village because her mother did not have money in the bank to buy a guitar..When she asked her mother for money to buy guitar her mother told her that they would have to sell off Dhunu's goat to buy her guitar. So in order to earn money to buy a guitar she started doing odd job.

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(j) "But Dhunu believes that if you really want something and work towards it, you can achieve it." – What does this line tell you about Dhunu's character? 1/2

Answer : Dhunu is a practical and hardworking girl. Dhunu suggests that if someone really wants to achieve something, he or she would have to work hard to achieve that goal.

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2. Given below is the summary of a part of the lesson 'Dhunu's Guitar'. There is some wrong information in it. Underline the wrong information, make corrections and rewrite the summary.

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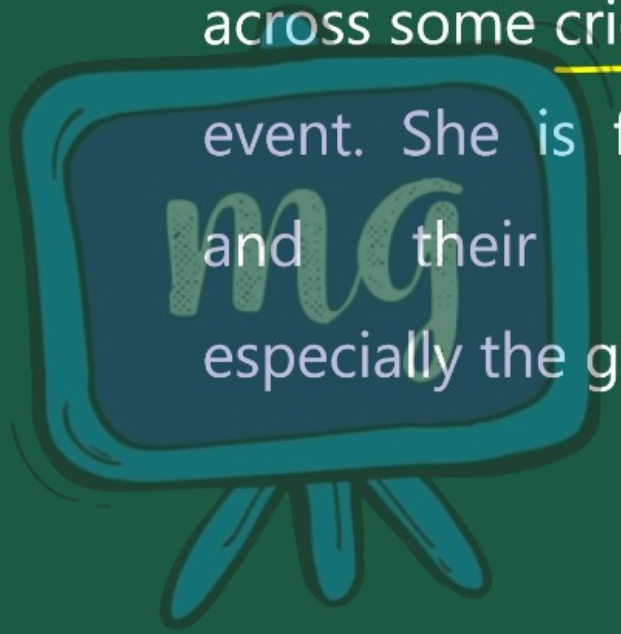
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‘Dhunu’s Guitar’ is the story of a young eleven-year-old girl who lives in Kalardiya village with her mother. They are quite well off. Dhunu has a pet monkey. She loves to spend time with her monkey.

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One day, Dhunu and her friends come across some cricketers playing at a local event. She is fascinated by the band and their musical instruments, especially the guitar.



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She dreams of owning one herself, and forming her own dance band with her friends someday. But she is too poor to own a guitar. So, she and her friends make clay guitars and play on them.

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Answer : 'Dhunu's Guitar' is the story of a young ten-year-old girl who lives in Kalardiya village with her mother. They are quite poor Dhunu has a pet goat who she loves to spend time with. One day, Dhunu and her friends come across a group of boys practising music at a local event. She is fascinated by the band and their musical instruments, especially the guitar.

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She dreams of owning one herself, and forming her own music band with her friends someday. But she is too poor to own a guitar. So, she and her friends make Styrofoam guitars and play on them.

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3. In the lesson we have read that Dhunu faced many difficulties in life because she was poor. Still she never gave up hope and faced life cheerfully and bravely. Write down a few adjectives to describe Dhunu's character and complete the word web given below. You can add more arrows in the web if you wish.

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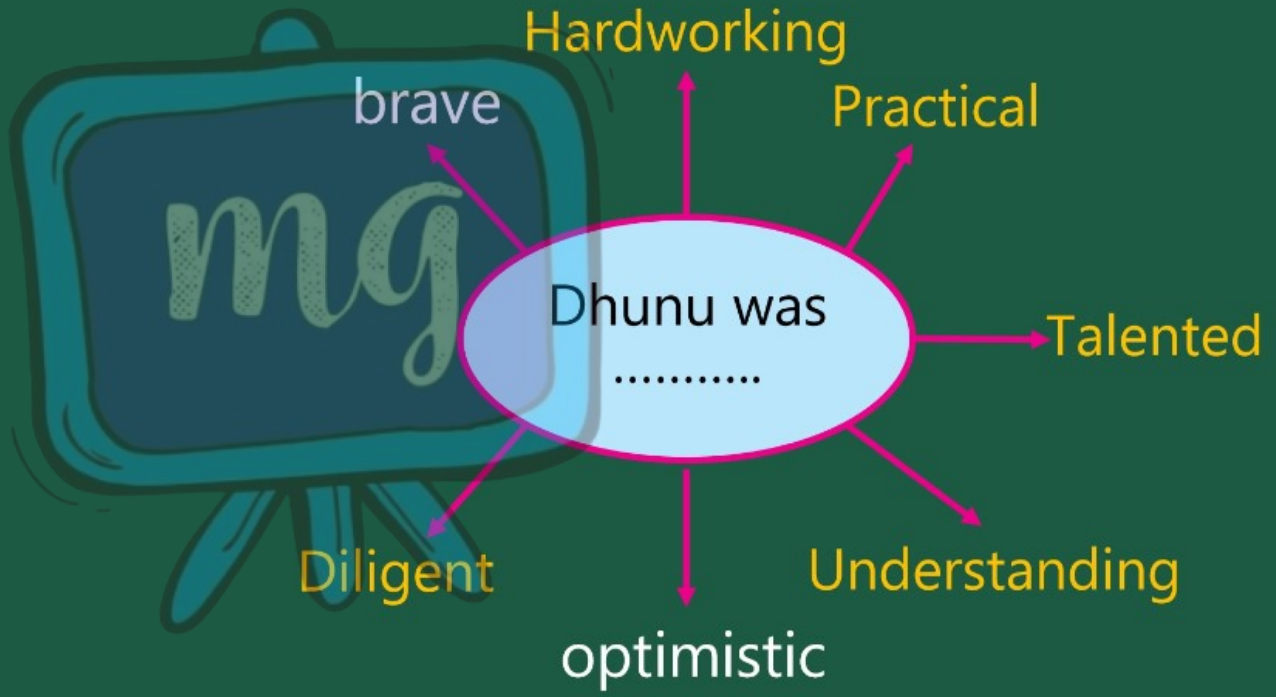
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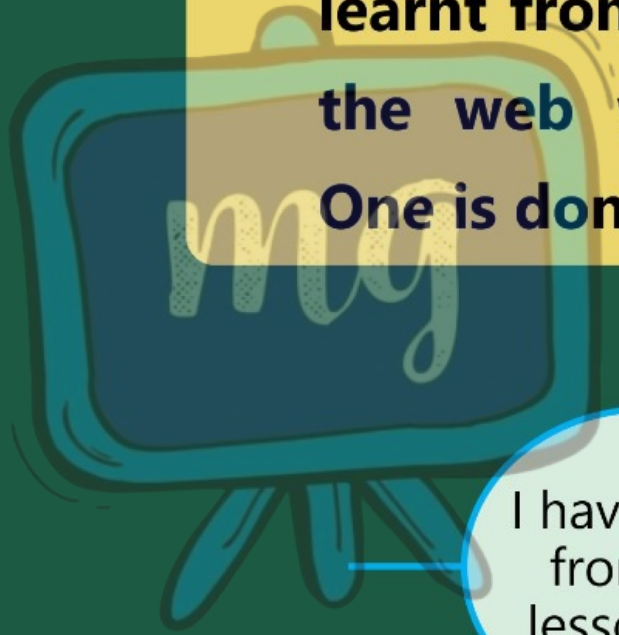
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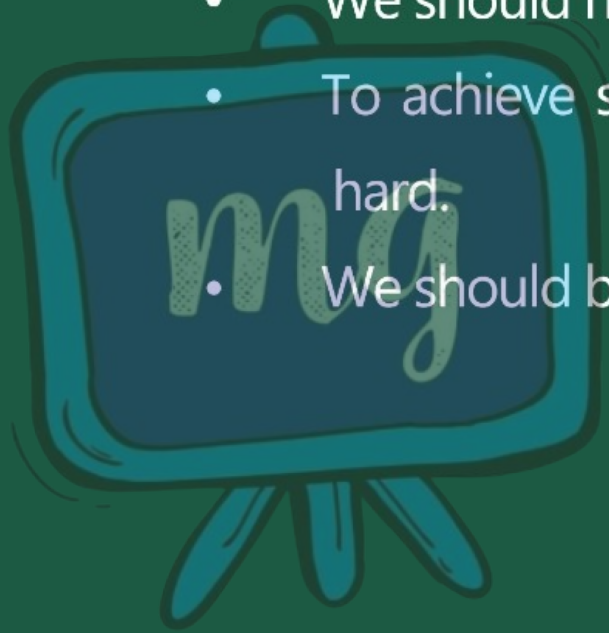


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Answer :

- We should not lose hope.
- To achieve something we have to work hard.
- We should be patient.



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5. We have found in the lesson that Dhunu met by chance a group of boys practising music for a local event. Dhunu was very happy to see the musicians. You know that a person who plays music is a musician. Do you know the names of other professions? Fill in the blanks below with the appropriate words:

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Answer :

(a) a person who repairs shoes :
cobbler

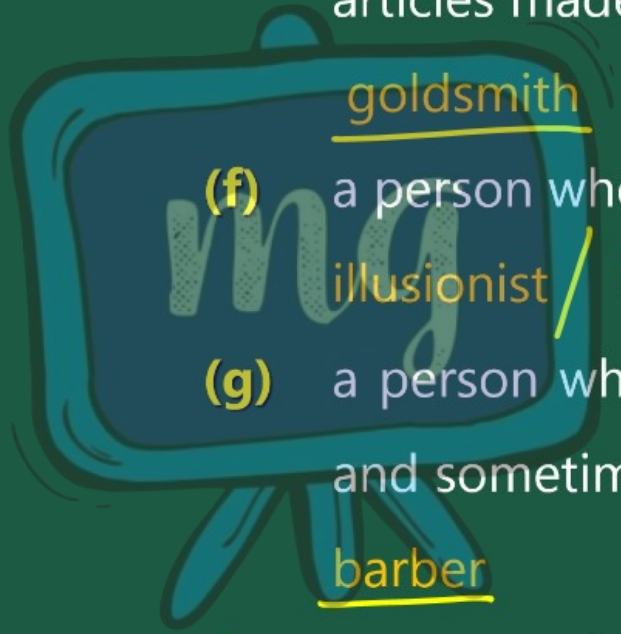
(b) a person who repairs water pipes:
plumber

(c) a person who operates the controls of an aircraft, especially as a job:
pilot

(d) a person whose job is to take care of people's teeth:
dentist

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(e) a person who makes, repairs or sells articles made of gold:

goldsmith

(f) a person who can do magic tricks:

illusionist / magician

(g) a person whose job is to cut men's hair and sometime to shave them:

barber

(h) a person who takes care of gardens:

gardener

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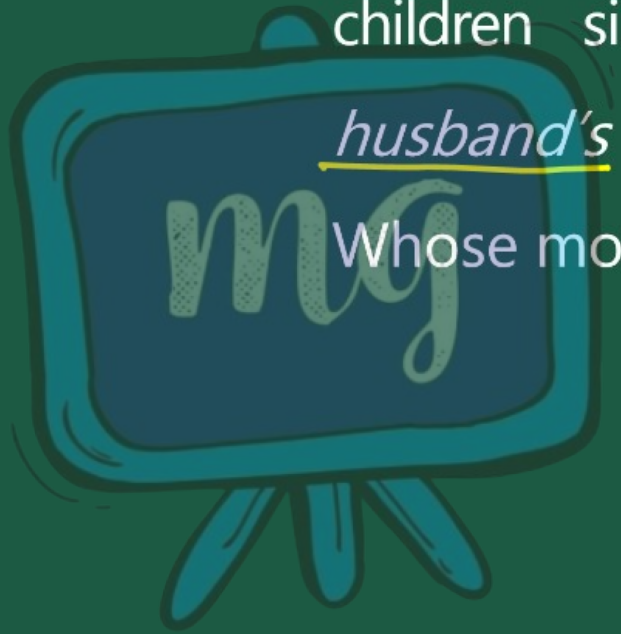
6. Read the following lines and look carefully at the words printed in italics. They give the answer to the question 'whose'.

(a) The name of the lesson is *Dhunu's Guitar*. (Question: Whose guitar?)

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(b) *Dhunu's mother* had to look after her children single-handedly after her *husband's death*. (Question: Whose mother; Whose death?)

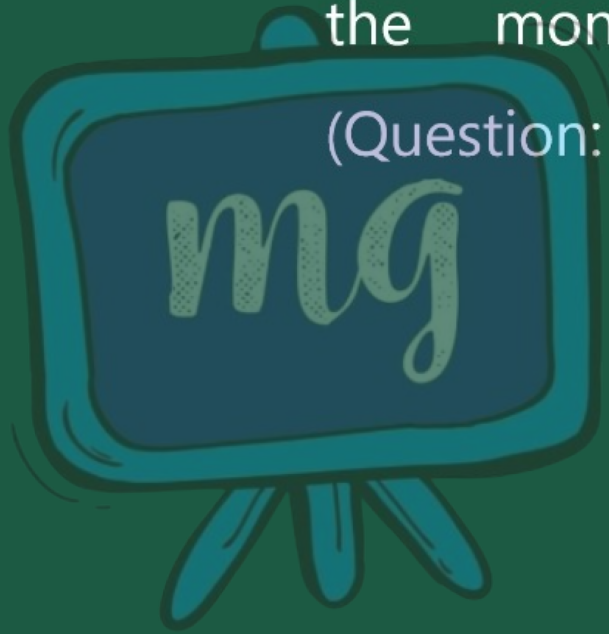


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(c) *The children's fun* is cut short as the monsoon months begin.

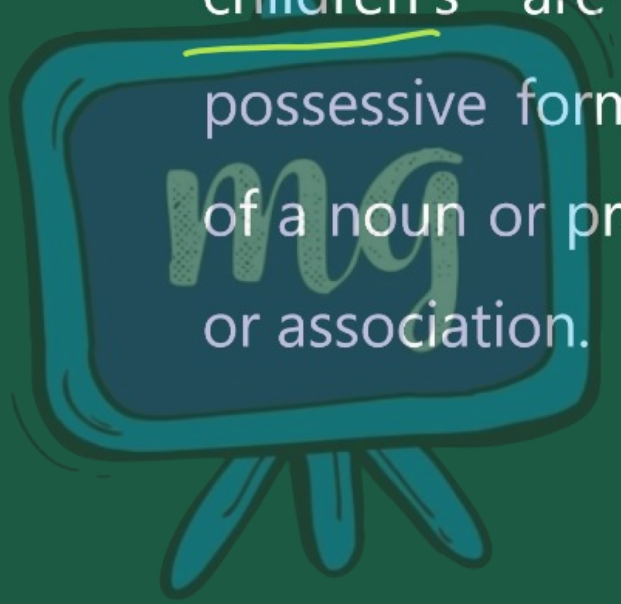
(Question: Whose fun?)



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The words Dhunu's, husband's and children's are said to be in the possessive form. The **possessive form** of a noun or pronoun shows ownership or association.



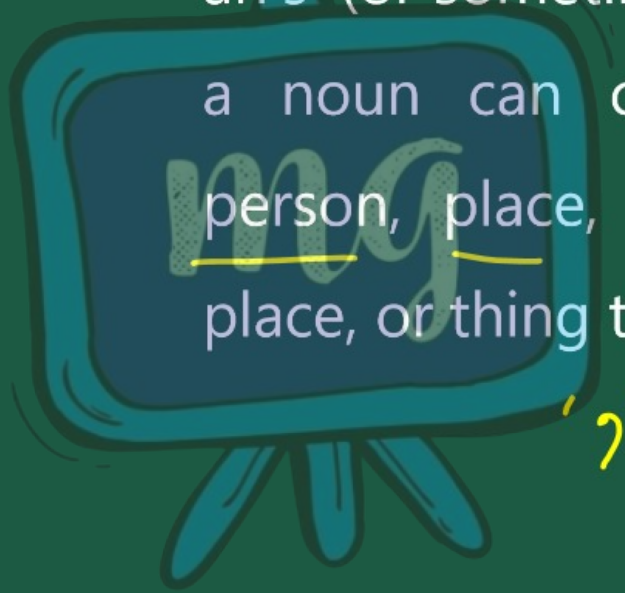
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Dhunu

Dhunu's guitar

With the addition of an apostrophe and an 's' (or sometimes just an apostrophe), a noun can change from a simple person, place, or thing to a person, place, or thing that owns something.



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Here are a few different ways to form the possessive of a noun:

(i) If the noun doesn't end with an 's', add 's to the end of the noun.

For example:

Dhunu's Guitar was made from Styrofoam.

This is a picture of Dhunu and her goat. The goat is Dhunu's pet.

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(ii) If a proper name or proper noun ends with an 's', you can add an apostrophe; **or** an apostrophe and an 's'. For example:

(a) Rima Das' movie **Village Rockstars** won several awards.

(b) Rima Das's movie **Village Rockstars** won several awards.

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(iii) After a plural noun that ends in 's', add an apostrophe.

The names of Dhunu's friends are Rinku, Boloram, Bishnu and Bhaskar.

She liked playing boys' games.

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Now fill in the blanks using the correct possessive form.

(a) This is Dhunu. The tea stall belongs to her mother. The tea stall belongs to Dhunu's mother.

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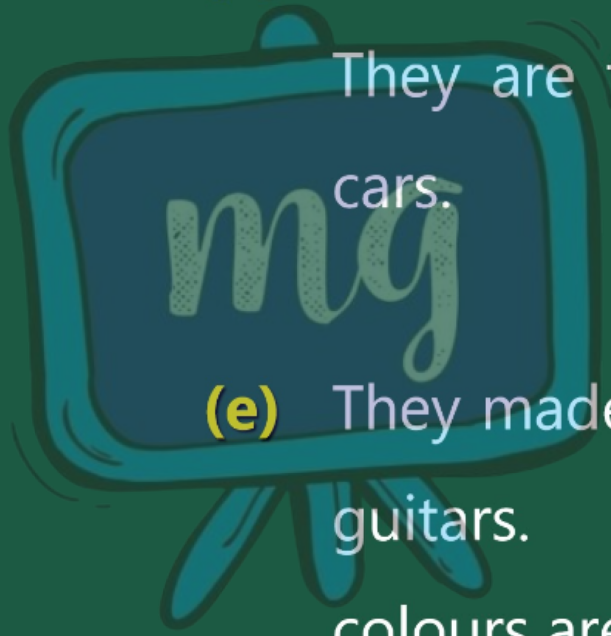
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(b) She even does jobs normally done by a man. She does man's jobs.

(c) Bhaskar is a friend of Dhunu. Dhunu is Bhaskar's friend.

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(d) The cars belong to the director.
They are the director's cars.

(e) They made four Styrofoam cut-out guitars. The guitars' colours are red.