

The song comes out softly, her voice smooth and beautiful. The audience start clapping. Then Charu does not think about the stage, the lights, or the people.



As she sings, she feels wonderful. Now Charu is always ready to sing—anytime and anywhere!

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About the passage

Read and answer

A. Write **T** for sentences that are true and **F** for sentences that are false.

1. Charu loves dancing more than anything else in the world. F
2. She says that she can't sing in front of so many people. T
3. She practises singing for Annual Day. T
4. She thinks that the stage is too small, and the lights are too dim. F
5. She sees Sanu waving at her and gets sad. F
6. The audience start clapping when Charu is singing. T

B. Answer these questions.

1. Who gives Charu the idea to sing on Annual Day?
2. How does Charu practise for the Annual Day?
3. What does Charu feel when she gets on the stage?
4. What makes Charu overcome her stage fright and sing?



Think and answer



C. Think and tick the correct options to complete these sentences.

1. 'The thought fills Charu's stomach with butterflies.' This means that she feels nervous.
a) nervous b) sad
2. Sanu is a good friend of Charu because he helps her fight her fear.
a) waves at her b) helps her fight her fear

Build words

Find words from the story that have the same meanings as the words given below.

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|-----------|------------------|-----------|--------------|
| 1. scared | <u>terrified</u> | 2. large | <u>big</u> |
| 3. shiny | <u>bright</u> | 4. joyful | <u>happy</u> |

Say it right



The letter **a** and the letters **ai** have many sounds. One sound of the letter **a** is the same as the sound of the letters **ai** as in the words **say** and **tail**.



A Listen to and say these words aloud Pay attention to the sound of the letter a and the letters ai.

ray	clay	today
face	race	place

mail	rail	snail
maize	praise	explain

B Look at these pictures. Write the names of the pictures that have the sound of the letter a and the letters ai.



1. Snake

2. chain

3. star

4. nail

Spell it right

In the word search, find the names of six things that Charu sings to



S	U	N	B	B	K	G	M
A	S	D	F	I	G	O	O
P	K	A	L	R	S	A	O
Z	X	C	V	D	B	T	N
H	I	L	L	S	H	S	P
P	L	A	N	T	S	I	U








Types of naming words

We have already learnt that naming words are names of people, animals, things, and places.

All naming words are called **nouns**.

A. Can you name the pictures of these naming words?

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
				
<u>pilot</u>	<u>owl</u>	<u>ship</u>	<u>bottle</u>	<u>park</u>

Read this sentence.

➤ A **girl** is singing to the **goats** in the **hills**.

The words **girl**, **goats**, and **hills** are common names. These are common names of people, places, animals, and things.

Common names of people, places, animals, and things are also called **common nouns**.

B. Underline the common names in these sentences.

1. The barber cut his hair neatly.
2. Rima is the only singer in her family.
3. The boy likes to lay on a mat.
4. They played in the river near the city.
5. The trees were swaying in the wind.



Now read these sentences.

➤ Charu lives in New Delhi. Her birthday is in May.

The words **Charu**, **New Delhi**, and **May** are special names. These are special names of people, places, animals, things, days, and months. They always begin with a capital letter.

Special names of people, places, animals, and things are also called **proper nouns**.

C. Read these sentences and circle the special names.

1. (Tony) is a very sweet and loyal pet.
2. (Som) and (Soni) go there every (Saturday).
3. (Sunder) visits his grandparents in (Chennai).
4. (Rohit) is the younger brother of (Shalini).
5. I study in (Sunshine Public School).



D. Read these naming words and write them in the correct columns.

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Neha	Sunshine School	girl	shop
bird	Red Rose Park	Charu	fruit

Common Names	Special Names