

B. Answer these questions.

1. • 'they seemed very anxious about her comfort,'
• 'detailed instructions as to where to keep her things,'
• 'not to lean out of windows,'
• 'how to avoid speaking to strangers'
2. The narrator tells the girl that in October, the hills are covered with wild dahlias, the sun is delicious, and at night one can sit in front of a log fire and have a hot drink.
3. The narrator felt that he had taken a risk but the next moment, he thought that his remark was safe because few girls can resist flattery.
4. The narrator describes the girl's voice as pleasant, clear and ringing. It has the sparkle of a mountain stream.
5. The narrator asks the new fellow traveller if the girl had long hair or short.

C. Discuss and answer.

1. By using the phrase 'mind's eye', the narrator means to say that as he was not able to see, he was just imagining the telegraph posts flashing by.
2. The narrator said this abruptly because he wanted to change the topic. He did not want the girl to know that he could not see and if they had continued the same topic, the girl might have got an idea of his blindness.
3. The last words of the story depict the irony. The narrator was trying to hide the fact that he was blind. But he failed to realise that the girl too was blind. They both talked so confidently that neither of them could guess it about the other.
4. They might have discussed about the girl. The new passenger had noticed that the girl was blind and he told it to the narrator. The new passenger could have told him that the girl carried herself very confidently and she didn't let him know that she could not see.

D. Answer the questions with reference to context.

1. (a) 'I' refers to the narrator.

- C. 1. potter (c) wheel
 2. referee (f) whistle
 3. astronomer (a) telescope
 4. driver (e) engine
 5. sailor (b) compass
 6. gardener (d) lawnmower

Express

- A. Students will share their experiences.
 B. Students will learn how to invite people.

Listen

1. (b) sister
 2. (b) Mohit
 3. (c) The cricket tournament starts at 8:30 am and Mohit must bring his identity card and cricket kit.

Language Lab

Students will practise on their own.

Dictionary

1. I want to **visit and look carefully** the school before taking admission in it.
 2. The slippers **hit** against my heels while walking.
 3. Rain was one of the **reasons** that I couldn't reach on time.
 4. There has been a **considerable** improvement in Grandma's health.
 5. The blindman **made an act of behaving in way** of looking at the landscape.
 6. What do you do for **amusement** in your house?
 7. I was **amazed** by the beauty of the painting.

Write

Once, there was a small boy. He was a kind-hearted child, who had always extended a helping hand to the needy. One day, he saw a blind man on the road. He wanted to cross the road but was helpless. He requested the people to help him but they all moved unperturbed. The boy was watching all this. He went to the blind man and asked, "Sir, please come with me." He held the man's hand and walked across the road. The blind man thanked the child and blessed him. The traffic man, who was witnessing the whole incident, patted the child.