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Activity - 4

The boy was thrilled at seeing the fight between the cobra and the mongoose. You may also have the same feeling. Narrate the fight scene in your own words.

Ans)

The fight scene

The boy was sitting on the platform halfway up the tree. It was an April afternoon. When he looked out he saw a huge black cobra gliding out. At the same time a grey mongoose also came out from the bushes. In the bright sunshine, beneath the tree, they stood face to face. The cobra hissed and went for the mongoose. It spread its hood and darted its forked tongue in and out. The mongoose with its long thick hair and bushy tail faced the snake. The cobra swayed slowly from side to side and tried to mesmerize the mongoose into making a false move. The clever mongoose fixed his gaze at a point below the cobra's hood and opened an attack. The cobra's efforts to strike the mongoose were in vain. At last the mongoose darted very swiftly and bit the snake on the back. The cobra was weakening. The mongoose walked fearlessly up to it, raised itself on its legs and gave the snake a lightning snap. The snake's effort to coil round the mongoose was of no use. The mongoose hung grimly on, until the snake ceased to struggle. The mongoose at last dragged the dead cobra into the bushes.



Activity -1

Pick out the words and phrases used to describe the fight of each warrior.

Ans)

Snake	Mongoose
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * moved swiftly * struck with the speed of light. * Forked tongue darted in and out * Stood, swaying slowly from side to side. * Hood came down swiftly. * struck with great force. * Whistled and lashed in a frightening manner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Made a fient to one side * Darted swiftly. * moved forward quickly * Jumped neatly to one side. * Darted in as swiftly as the cobra. * Walked fearlessly up to it. * Hung grimly on the snake.