Lesson 3

The Book That Nobody Has Read

Notebook exercise

a. Difficult Words:-

- **1. scholars**
- 2. jewels
- 4. followed
- 5. imagine
- 6. challenged
- 8. necklaces
- 9. uncomfortable
- **10. frightened**
- 11. learned
- 12. debate
- 13. afraid
- 14. scholars
- **15. doubt**

b. Word Meanings:-

- 1. scholars: highly educated people who like to study
- 2. debate: a discussion in which opposing ideas are put forward
- 3. jester: a person at a king's court who entertained him
- 4. Guru: an influential teacher
- 5. Highness: the king
- 6. outwit: to use a clever trick to outwit someone

7. challenge : to test a person's skills and abilities

8. wonderstruck: experiencing a feeling of wonder and delight

c. Complete the sentences. (Page no. 30)

1. Krishnadevaraya was proud of his scholars because <u>they could debate on</u> <u>any topic and find answers.</u>

2. Two things Tenali Rama was known for were <u>his clever thinking and</u> <u>quick wit</u>.

3. The scholars were afraid of the Guru because <u>his men said that no one</u> <u>could win over the Guru in any debate.</u>

4. The king's scholars prepared for the debate by <u>sitting up all night and</u> <u>reading.</u>

5. Everyone was wonderstruck looking at the Guru because <u>he was wearing</u> so many necklaces that his chest was covered with gold.

d. Read the lines and answer the questions that follow. (Page no. 31 & 32)

1. He was thinking - 'I have not heard of this book! But,

how can I accept, in front of all these people, that I

have not read this book!'

a) Who is he?

Ans. 'He' refers to the Guru.

b) Which book hasn't he read?Ans. Tilakashta Mahisha Bandhana.

c) Why can't he accept in front of all those people that he hasn't read the book?

Ans. He can't accept in front of everybody that he hasn't read the book because, then everybody will know the Guru's reality.

2. Tenali Rama said, 'I don't know, Your Highness! I am

going to write it soon!'

Everybody laughed at Tenali Rama's cleverness.

a) Who is Your Highness?

Ans. King Krishnadevaraya was addressed as 'Your Highness'.

b) What is Tenali Rama going to write soon?

Ans. Tenali Rama is going to write a new book soon.

c) Which clever act of Tenali Rama made everyone laugh?

Ans. The trick played by Tenali Rama to make the Guru run away from their kingdom, made everyone laugh.

Activity

• Read and write a short story on Akbar and Birbal in your notebook.