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Glossary:

- **Armchair:** a comfortable chair with sides on which you can rest your arms.



- **Wrinkled:** (here), having lots of folds on skin.



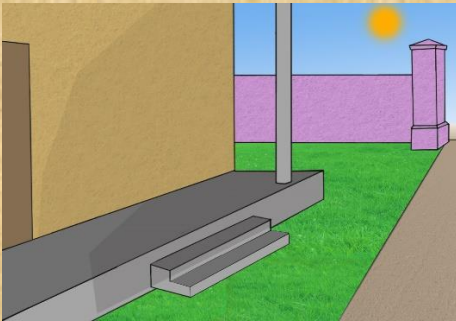
- **Briefcase:** a flat case used for carrying clothes.



- **Blanket:** a large cover, often made of wool used especially during winters.



- **Thinna:** sit out (elevated place on the veranda)



- **Unexpectedly:** something which has happened without you thinking of it to take place.
- **Futile:** having no purpose because there is no chance of success/unsuccessful.
- **Attempt:** an act of trying to do something.
- **Reluctantly:** not willing to do something.
- **Screwing:** narrowing the eyes to look more carefully.
- **Peered:** look with difficulty or concentration at someone or something.
- **Bald:** having little or no hair on the head.
- **Grating:** here, in an extremely harsh and irritating voice.
- **Scared:** horrified.
- **Awkwardly:** making someone feel embarrassed.
- **Recognised:** to know who somebody is by looking at him/her because you have seen or heard of them before.

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| • Explain: to tell somebody about something in a clear and easy way so that they can understand. |
| • Promotion: to move to a more important job or rank in a company. |
| • Mumbling: to speak in an unclear manner. |
| • Terribly: very badly. |
| • Exasperatedly: to annoy or irritate somebody very much/ very annoyed. |
| • Tattered: old and torn, in a bad way. |
| • Tours: here, an official series of visits made to different places. |
| • Kesariyogam: well settled(in Malayalam) |
| • Huddled: held arms and legs close because of fear and cold. |

