LESSON 10

Read the story and say why Dick was afraid when he looked out of the window and saw a few trees near it.

"We've Hit Land!"

NEW WORDS

to hit [hɪt] — ударять; *зд.* врезаться
either ... or ['aɪðə... 'ɔ:] — или ... или
calm [kɑ:m] — спокойный
rough [rʌf] — грубый, бурный (*о море*)
to get married ['get 'mærɪd] — выйти замуж, жениться
a bush [bʊʃ] — куст
a foot (feet) [fʊt] ([fi:t]) — фут (футы) ≈ 30,5 см
to be frightened of *sth* ['fraɪtnd] — испугаться *чего-либо*

Dick was a sailor on a big ship. It went to Japan with its mild climate and to Australia where in summer it is sometimes impossible to breathe, it went to South America and to North America too. So Dick was often on the ship for several months at a time. When he woke up in the morning and looked out, he always saw only the sea which was **either calm or rough**, or sometimes he could see a port with a lot of houses and factories or other buildings.

When he was twenty-three, Dick **got married** and bought a small house with a garden in his wife's town. It was far away from the sea. His wife was fond of gardening and had a lot of flowers in her garden — roses and lilies, daffodils and daisies, primroses and poppies. There was a big **bush** of honeysuckle in her garden too and a few fruit trees. But Dick seldom saw how beautiful the garden was because he had to be on board the ship most of the time.

So Dick went back to his ship in early spring, and he didn't come home for two months. He went from the port to the town where his wife lived by bus. It took him about an hour to get home. He was very happy to see his wife again. She was so beautiful! She was dressed in her best clothes and looked so young! They had a walk in the garden and Dick's wife showed him her new flowers: purple chrysanthemums which smelt so pleasant and sweet. All the fruit trees were in blos-

som. Dick liked all that very much. They talked in the sitting room till midnight and went to bed very late.

The next morning Dick slept till 9 o'clock. Then he woke up suddenly and looked out of the window. There were trees a few **feet** away. He **was** very **frightened** and jumped out of bed shouting, "We've hit land!"

Choose and read aloud the right sentences.

1) a) Dick was a sailor on a small ship.
   b) Dick was a sailor on a big ship.

2) a) Dick travelled to Asia or to different countries in Europe.
   b) Dick travelled to Japan and to Australia.

3) a) Dick could see beautiful parks when he was on board the ship and looked out.
   b) When Dick was on board the ship and looked out, he could see the sea or a port.

4) a) Dick got married when he was thirty-three.
   b) Dick got married when he was twenty-three.

5) a) Dick's wife was fond of gardening.
   b) Dick's wife wasn't fond of flowers.

6) a) Dick was frightened when he saw some trees out of the window in his house.
   b) Dick was glad when he saw some trees out of the window in his house.