

A BREATH OF FRESH AIR

It's a nice summer's day. I'm sitting in my garden and sipping my lemonade. I'm enjoying the sunshine, and the dances of the butterflies on the flowers. I'm enjoying the changing colors of the distant mountains due to light. Nature has always fascinated me. I'm enjoying it. I can see an ant carrying a seed. It is too big for him to carry. He's trying hard; almost dragging the seed. What is it? The phone is ringing. I 'm reluctant to stand up and answer it, but it is ringing and ringing. "Hello" It is my boss. He wants me to go to the office and finish up the article on political meetings by tomorrow. I don't feel like dealing with the problems of the world today. I'm just happy with my lemonade and the sunshine. The ant has reached the hole! It's pushing the seed down through the hole! I must go. What a pity!

Answer the following questions

- 1.What is the writer doing?
- 2.Why does the writer have to go to the office?

What do they refer to?

3.it:

4.it:

5. he:

Match the words with their definitions

6.sip:

a. unwilling to do something; not wanting to do

7.distant:

b. to drink in very small mouthfuls

8.fascinate:

c.to pull, especially by force

9. drag:

d. far away or far apart in place or time

10.reluctant:

e.to charm; to attract or interest very strongly