

THE BUTTERFLY LION

Vocabulary

Chapter 6: The Frenchman

1) **Read** the following sentences carefully. What do you **think** the words **in bold** mean?

- Whenever father came from work, Bertie and the lion could hear his heavy steps on the **veranda** before he entered the house.
- Before riding his horse, father always checked that it was **saddled** correctly, so he wouldn't fall down while guarding the cattle.
- When Bertie knew that his father would sell the lion he felt extremely angry, and he ran to his room **blazing with fury**.
- Every night before bed, Bertie **prayed** to God that his lion would always stay with him.
- Sometimes, Bertie's legs felt **numb** in the morning, because the lion slept on them.
- One afternoon, Bertie and the lion ran around the compound for hours, forgetting about their afternoon snack. They came back in the evening, with their tongues out, **panting with hunger**.
- On another occasion, the lion came too close to the fireplace and hurt its paw. The poor animal started **yowling pitifully**, calling Bertie, but calmed down quickly after Mother took care of it.
- The day the lion came home, Bertie and his mom gave him five baths. The cub got **soaked to the skin** in water and it started **trembling**, so, they had to put it near the stove to dry and get warm.

2) Can you **number** the pictures 1-9 to match them with the corresponding expression?

① Veranda



② Saddle

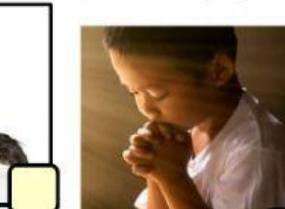
③ Blazing with fury



④ Pray

⑤ Numb

⑥ Panting with hunger



⑦ Yowling pitifully

⑧ Soaked to the skin

⑨ Trembling

3) About you! **Write** about a time when you...

...were panting
with hunger



...got soaked
to the skin



...were blazing
with fury