**BAL BHARATI PUBLIC SCHOOL, ROHINI**

**CLASS- III SUBJECT: ENGLISH**

**TOPIC- L-2, IF MICE COULD ROAR**

**ASSIGNMENT -9**

* Recite the poem aloud and learn its first three stanzas.
* READING ACTIVITY– Read and enjoy the following.

**Know the Poet**

**If Mice Could Roar** is written by**Ruskin Bond** . Born on 19 May 1934, Ruskin Bond is an [Indian](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/India) author of [British](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_Kingdom) descent. He is a famous writer, poet and novelist.

In 1992 he received the [Sahitya Akademi award](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sahitya_Akademi_award%22%20%5Co%20%22Sahitya%20Akademi%20award) for English writing, for his short stories collection, 'Our Trees Still Grow in Dehra'. He was awarded the [Padma Shri](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Padma_Shri%22%20%5Co%20%22Padma%20Shri) in 1999 for his contribution to children's literature. He now lives in [Landour](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Landour%22%20%5Co%20%22Landour) near [Mussoorie](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mussoorie%22%20%5Co%20%22Mussoorie).



**Summary of the Poem**

If Mice Could Roar is a humorous poem by Ruskin Bond. The poet imagines how the world would be if mice could roar like lions and elephants could fly high. It would be great if trees grew in the sky instead of land.

He also visualizes the scene of tigers having biscuits and wine, as well as fat people flying high.

The world would be quite different if small stones could sing and the bells stop ringing. If teachers would be busy with their own things.

It would be strange if tortoise could run. If only all that was lost could be won once again and bullies be subdued, nothing would be the same again.

If guns grew flowers instead of firing bullets and songs brought showers, everything would be changed.The poet concludes by saying that if at all most of these changes occurred, it would only make the world a better place.

* CRAFTIVITY : Let’sengage in creating something to make this Lockdown Period productive. In this poem you read about many animals like mice, elephants, tigers,tortoise etc. Make a small wall hanging **or**a show piece in the shape ofyourfavourite animal using origami sheet/ glitter paper / any other sheet available / waste material etc.

