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## The Donkey

### བོད་སྐད་

Bla ma skyabs ལྷ་མ་སྐྱབས།

#### Words and Expressions བ་སྐད་དང་ཚིག་གྲུབ།

father ཨ་པ།	soon ལྷུར་དུ།
want བསམ་པ།	die འཇིག་པ།
visit མཇུག་པ།	the next day ལྷིན་ཉིན།
The Potala Palace ཕོ་བླང་པོ་ཏུ་ལ།	alone གཅིག་སྟེ།
black donkey བོད་སྐྱ་ནག་པོ།	lead འཁྲིད་པ།
the tired donkey བར་ཚད་པའི་བོད་སྐྱ།	meet འཕྲད་པ།
sweat རླུ་ཚུ་འཇར་བ།	a group of people མི་སྐོར་ཞིག་གི།
body ལུས་པོ།	must རེས་པར།
come རོན་པ།	monastery དགོན་པ།
a village སྡེ་བ་ཞིག་གི།	some monks ལྷན་པ་འགའ།
the villagers སྡེ་མི་ཚོ།	have a difficult life འཚོ་བ་སྤྱིད་པོ་མེད་པ།
see མཐོང་བ།	finally མཇུག་མཐར།
sigh དབྱགས་རིང་འཐེན་པ།	walk ཀླང་ཐང་དུ་སོང་བ།
say བཤད་པ།	some nomads འབྲོག་པ་འགའ།
how cruel རི་འདྲའི་སྤྱིང་རྗེ་མེད་པ།	stupid ལྷོན་པ།

#### Text སྐོབ་ཚན།

Dorji and his father want to visit the Potala Palace. They go to Lhasa with their black donkey. It is a sunny day. They ride the donkey together. The tired donkey sweats. Sweat drips from its body. They come to a village. The villagers see them. They sigh and say, "How cruel they are! The donkey is so tired it will soon die."

The next day the father rides the donkey alone. Dorji leads the donkey. They meet a group of people. They say, "How cruel the father is! The boy must be very tired."

Dorji then rides the donkey alone. His father leads the donkey. They reach a monastery. Some monks see them. The monks say, "How cruel the son is! The father must have a difficult life."

Finally, they don't ride the donkey. They walk with the donkey. Some nomads see them and say, "How stupid they are! Why don't they ride the donkey!"

#### Exercises ལྷུང་གཞི།

1 Each sentence has one mistake. Correct the mistakes. ཚིག་གྲུབ་རེ་རེའི་ནང་གི་ཡིག་ཚོར་དག་དག་བཅོས་བྱ་དགོས།

- [A] Dorji and his mother want to visit the Potala Palace. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_
- [B] They go to Lhasa with their black dog. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_
- [C] It are a sunny day. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

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| [D] They ride the donkey together.                 | Mistake = _____ Correct = _____ |
| [E] The tired donkey sweat.                        | Mistake = _____ Correct = _____ |
| [F] They come to a village.                        | Mistake = _____ Correct = _____ |
| [G] The villagers don't see them.                  | Mistake = _____ Correct = _____ |
| [H] The next day the father ride the donkey alone. | Mistake = _____ Correct = _____ |
| [I] Dorji lead the donkey.                         | Mistake = _____ Correct = _____ |
| [J] Dorji then ride the donkey alone.              | Mistake = _____ Correct = _____ |

2 Put these words in blanks below to make correct sentences. གཤམ་གྱི་ཐ་སྐད་དག་ཡང་དག་པར་ཁ་སྐོང་དགོས།

reach            go            next            donkey            walk            want  
meet            see            leads            rides            sunny

- [A] Dorji and his father \_\_\_\_\_ to visit the Potala Palace.  
[B] They \_\_\_\_\_ to Lhasa with their black donkey.  
[C] It is a \_\_\_\_\_ day.  
[D] The \_\_\_\_\_ day the father rides the donkey alone.  
[E] They \_\_\_\_\_ a group of people.  
[F] Dorji then \_\_\_\_\_ the donkey alone.  
[G] His father \_\_\_\_\_ the donkey.  
[H] They \_\_\_\_\_ a monastery.  
[I] Some monks \_\_\_\_\_ them.  
[G] Finally, they don't ride the \_\_\_\_\_.  
[K] They \_\_\_\_\_ with the donkey.

3 Circle the correct word in each sentence below. ཡང་དག་པའི་ཡི་གེར་རྟགས་རྒྱག་དགོས།

Dorji and his father **want/went** to visit the Potala Palace. They **go/goes** to Lhasa with their black donkey. It **is/are** a sunny day. They **ride/rides** the donkey together. The tired donkey **sweats/sweat**. Sweat drips from **its/it's** body. They **come/go** to a village. The villagers **see/sees** them. They sigh and say, "How cruel they **are/is!** The donkey **is/are** so tired it will soon die."  
The next day the father **rides/ride** the donkey alone. Dorji **leads/lead** the donkey. They **meet/meets** a group of people. They say, "How cruel the father **is/are!** The boy must be very tired."

4 Put the words in brackets [] in the correct order. Write each sentence correctly. གཤམ་གྱི་སྐུག་རྟགས་ནང་གི་མིང་ཚིག་དག་ཡང་དག་པར་བསྐྱིག་དགོས།

- [A] Dorji [Potala and want his father to visit the Palace]. \_\_\_\_\_  
[B] The [tired sweats donkey]. \_\_\_\_\_  
[C] They [a village come to]. \_\_\_\_\_  
[D] The [them villagers see]. \_\_\_\_\_  
[E] The [donkey next day the rides the father alone]. \_\_\_\_\_  
[F] Dorji [the leads donkey]. \_\_\_\_\_

- [G] They [a meet of group people]. \_\_\_\_\_
- [H] Dorji [the then alone rides donkey]. \_\_\_\_\_
- [I] His [donkey the father leads]. \_\_\_\_\_
- [J] They [monastery reach a]. \_\_\_\_\_
- [K] Some [them monks see]. \_\_\_\_\_

5 Put these words in the blanks below to make correct sentences. གཤམ་གྱི་ཐ་སྐད་དག་ལ་སྐོང་ནང་དུ་ཡང་  
དག་པར་འབྲི་དགོས།

life	stupid	with	finally	alone
father	how	ride	cruel	reach
leads	monks	must	donkey	a group of

The next day the [A] \_\_\_\_ rides the donkey alone. Dorji leads the [B] \_\_\_\_\_. They meet [C] \_\_\_\_\_ people. They say, "[D]\_\_\_\_\_cruel the father is! The boy [E] \_\_\_\_\_be very tired." Dorji then rides the donkey [F] \_\_\_\_\_. His father [G] \_\_\_\_\_ the donkey. They [H] \_\_\_\_\_ a monastery. Some [I] \_\_\_\_\_see them. The monks say, "How [J] \_\_\_\_\_the son is! The father must have a difficult [K] \_\_\_\_\_." [L] \_\_\_\_\_, they don't ride the donkey. They walk [M] \_\_\_\_\_ the donkey. Some nomads see them and say, "How [N] \_\_\_\_\_they are! Why don't they [O] \_\_\_\_\_ the donkey!"

6 Put these sentences in the correct order. Which one is first, second, third, and so on?  
ཡང་དག་པའི་གོ་རེམ་སྐར་བསྐྱེག་དགོས།

- \_\_\_ They go to Lhasa with their black donkey.
- \_\_\_ It is a sunny day.
- \_\_\_ They ride the donkey together.
- \_\_\_ The next day the father rides the donkey alone.
- \_\_\_ They walk with the donkey.
- \_\_\_ Finally, they don't ride the donkey.
- \_\_\_ They come to a village.
- \_\_\_ Dorji then rides the donkey alone.
- \_\_\_ Dorji and his father want to visit the Potala Palace.
- \_\_\_ His father leads the donkey.
- \_\_\_ They reach a monastery.
- \_\_\_ The villagers see them.
- \_\_\_ The tired donkey sweats.

7 Write answers to these questions. ཇི་བ་འདི་དག་ལ་ལན་ཐོབ།

[A] Who wants to visit the Potala Palace? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] What do they ride? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Is the donkey black? \_\_\_\_\_

[D] Is it a sunny day? \_\_\_\_\_

[E] Do they ride together? \_\_\_\_\_

[F] Is the donkey tired? \_\_\_\_\_

[G] Who do the villagers see? \_\_\_\_\_

[H] What do the villagers say? \_\_\_\_\_

[I] Who rides the donkey alone? \_\_\_\_\_

[J] Who leads the donkey? \_\_\_\_\_

[K] Who meets a group of people? \_\_\_\_\_

[L] What do they say? \_\_\_\_\_

[M] Who reaches a monastery? \_\_\_\_\_

[N] Do some monks see them? \_\_\_\_\_

[O] What do they say? \_\_\_\_\_

[P] Why don't they ride the donkey? \_\_\_\_\_

[Q] Who walks with the donkey? \_\_\_\_\_

[R] Who do the nomads see? \_\_\_\_\_

[S] What do they say? \_\_\_\_\_