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CHAPTER : 21, Downhill on a Bicycle

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Good morning students

This lesson is for Class IV for the subject of English Literature in which Ch-21 Downhill on a bicycle is covered.

Stanza 1

Summary of the poem 'Downhill on a Bicycle'

This is a poem depicting the childhood innocence. Here a boy is going down hill on a bicycle. He feels like he is flying. He is ready to move down the hill by lifting his feet and keeping his hands still. He is moving downwards very fast. The passing air feels like wind to him because of the speed he is moving down due to the hill slope.

Stanza 2

As he moves very fast, his heart fills with utter joy and excitement. His heart beats powerfully and his lungs fill with laughter. He cries from his throat and yells the birds to look how he is flying like them.

Stanza 3

He asks the birds if they have the same type of joy as him while flying. He further

tells them that he is also having the pleasure of flying in spite of being a boy. The joy the birds enjoy with feathers in air, is the same as the boy is experiencing while going down hill on a bicycle.

Stanza 4

The boy doubts that there should be hardly anything in the world that can give him the extreme happiness like he is having now. According to the boy, it is more joyous than skating bounding steel-shod to the level ground.

Stanza 5.

Now the speed of his bicycle gradually becomes slower. The boy feels as if he is in a boat in the air. The wheels stop crawling automatically as the hill slope has come to an end. The boy puts his feet on the peddles of the bicycle to keep in moving.

Stanza 6.

The boy has come to ^{the} an end of his ride. He concludes that even the longest hill ends in a valley. Yet one will find wings waiting there for him if can climb up the hill with hard work.