

## Unit 2

Welcome to my world

# Ch 2. Seeing without seeing

This is a story about a girl named Onshangla who learns about sensory experiences and empathy.

Onshangla comes home from school and is unusually quiet. She tells her mother, Ava, about a new blind boy in her class and wonders how he will manage.

Ava teaches Onshangla about other senses by playing a game where Onshangla is blindfolded. Onshangla identifies a rose by touch and smell, a bell by sound, and orange juice by touch and taste.

Ava then explains that even though the new boy may have difficulties, he can still experience the world, just in different ways. Ava encourages Onshangla to be friends with the new boy.



## New words

Quiet	:- Making little or no noise.
Glasses	:- Something people wear to see better.
Front	:- The part or side that faces forward.
Sniff	:- To smell something by taking air in through your nose.
Remove	:- To take somebody/something off or away.
Joy	:- A feeling of great happiness.
Blink	:- To close and open your eyes quickly.
Scarf	:- A piece of cloth worn around the neck or head.
Touched	:- To feel something with your hand.
Difficulties	:- Challenges or problems.



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# Exercise

## Let us speak

Onshangla calls her 'mother' 'Ava'. What is the word for mother in your mother tongue?

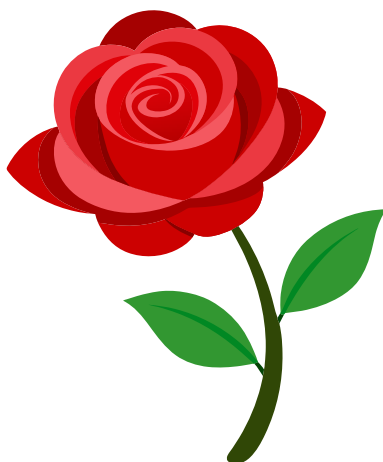
Ans. **Maa.**

Close your eyes. Imagine that, when your eyes are closed, how would you identify the following:

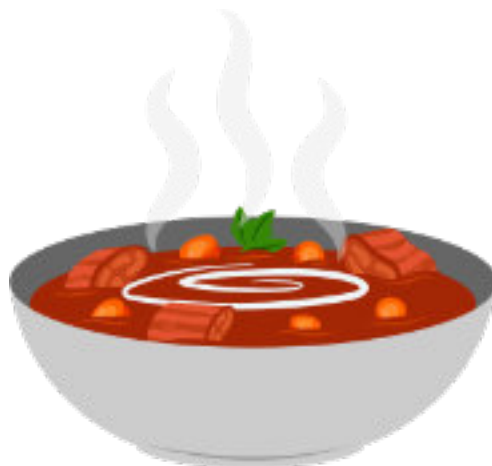
water	: <u>by touching</u>
flower (any local flower)	: <u>by its smell</u>
sugar	: <u>by tasting</u>
direction of a clapping sound.	: <u>by hearing</u>

## Let us draw

Draw two things which you like to smell.



Flower



Soup

Draw two things which you like to taste.



Ice-cream



Gulab-jamun

## Let us speak

Answer the following questions.

1. Fill in the blanks using suitable words from the boxes given below.

- (a) Onshangla was very quiet one day.  
 (b) A new boy came to Onshangla's school.  
 (c) Ava placed biscuits and milk on the table.  
 (d) Ava played a new game with Onshangla.  
 (e) Onshangla cried, "Oh ! it is not water, it is orange juice".

2. What activities do you like to do with your family members? Write about them. One has been given as an example.

e.g. I like to walk with my grandfather.

- (a) I like to play with my sister.  
 (b) I like to dance with my mother.

3. Write five things you can do by yourself. One example is provided for you.

- I can tie my shoelaces.  
 I can brush my teeth.  
 I can dress myself.  
 I can pack my school bag.  
 I can eat my meals.



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## Let us do

Our eyes do so much for us. We should take care of our eyes.

Put a ☒ for whatever is good for our eyes.

Put a ☐ for whatever is not good for our eyes.

1. Sit straight while reading or drawing.
2. Sit very close to the TV.
3. Stare at the sun.
4. Read in good light.
5. Eat carrots and lots of vegetables.
6. Play for a long time on the mobile.
7. Close eyes and splash water on eyelids.

