



Cardinal numbers Ordinal numbers



A Picnic

Once in a forest, at a pot-luck for **seven**,
Each brought a dish, by all to be eaten.

Rabbit came a-hopping, the **first** of the lot.
But oh, in the hurry, his tiffin he forgot !

Second was Deer, golden and swift.
With tender green grass, bagged like a gift.

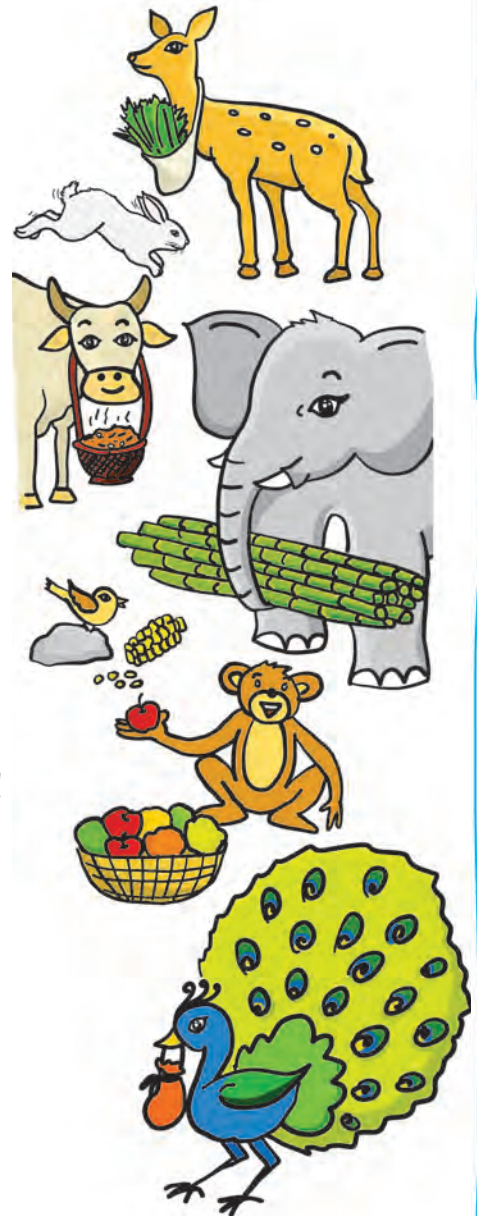
Monkey came **third** with a basket of veggies.
Swinging from the trees with so much ease.

Fourth came Cow, swinging her tail,
Happy she could bring her yummy carrot cake.

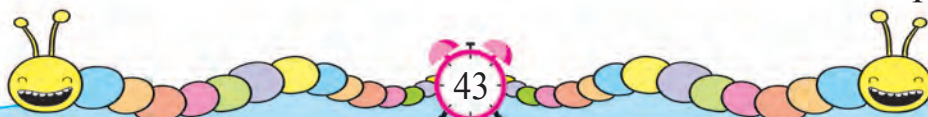
A bundle on his trunk, Elephant came **fifth**,
The bundle was of sugarcane, oh, what a thrill !

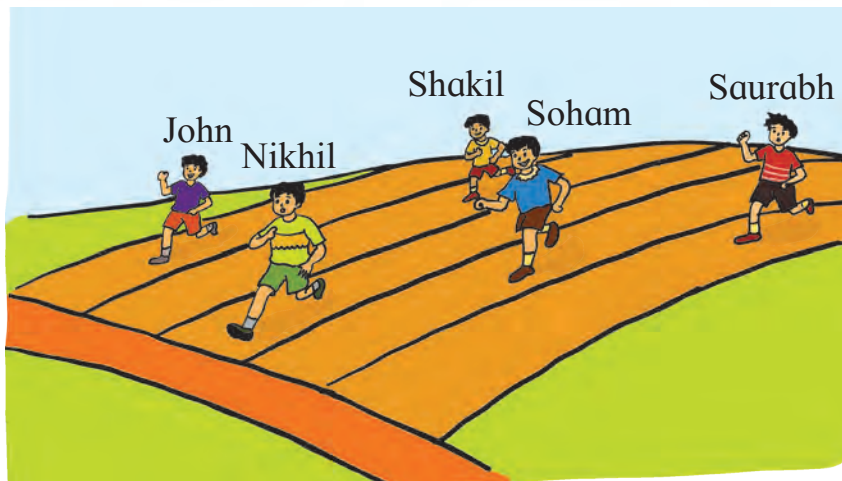
Sparrow was **sixth**, with corn or the cob
Seventh with roasted gram strutted in Peacock.

Seven happy picnickers shared the dishes **six**
A better feast you couldn't have wished !



Here, the words six, seven
are cardinal numbers
which give values.
'Sixth', 'seventh' are
ordinal numbers that give
the order in a sequence.

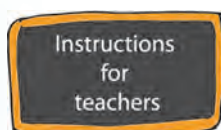




- In the picture above, how many children are taking part in a running race ? 5 is a cardinal number.
- What was Saurabh's rank in the race ? 5th is an ordinal number.
- Who came first ?
- Who was fourth ?



- In which carriage is the peacock ?
- Who is in the first coach ?
- In which bogie is the rabbit ?
- Who is in the seventh wagon ?
- At which place is the lion's coach ?
- At which place is the coach next to that of camel?
- What is the ordinal number of the carriage before the elephant's carriage ?



1, 2, 3, 4, ... are cardinal numbers. First, second, third,..... are ordinal numbers. See that they are used properly.





Sania is watering the flowering plants in the garden.



Rose



Periwinkle



Marigold



Jasmine



Sunflower

Look at the picture above and write the proper words in the blank spaces.

- The first plant in order from Sania is
- The *Jasmine* is in order from Sania.
- The total number of plants is

See page 33 and 34 of this book and tell :

- Which is the fifth month in the English calendar from the start of the year ?
- Counting from the start of the Indian calendar year, which is the eight month ?



Write the cardinal number.

- How many purple fish are there in the tank?
- How many red fish?
- How many yellow fish?

Remember : The numbers we use to count things are **cardinal** numbers. The words we use to tell the place or order in a row of things are called **ordinal** numbers.

