



## MIIM Grammar School (G-11 Campus)

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2021

Class: 6<sup>th</sup>

Subject: English

Unit: 1

Topic: **Summers in Murree** (Reading, page#4+5)

Starter:

Ask questions from students like.

1. Where did you go during the holidays?
2. Who went to the mountain?
3. Do you have any picnics?
4. Where did you go for picnic?

**Main activity:**

Reading with explanation of pg#7.

**Homework:**

Make sentence of the following words: threatened, eager, magical spot, condemned, deforestation.

**Reading**

the text. *Summers in Murree*, Imran Khan recalls his summers as a child.

**Where we live now**

**Personal writing**

*Summers in Murree*

When I was a child, eager as we were to escape the heat of summer on the plains and in Lahore, we used to spend our summer holidays either in Ghora Gali, which is about 25 miles from Islamabad, or in the hill resort, Murree. Murree is in the foothills of the Himalayas, 7 000 feet up, in the kind of country that is now being threatened by deforestation.

removal of trees  
to cause harm

Quite apart from the cool mountain air, which grew cooler the higher we climbed up from the hot, dusty plains, and the bright, crystal-clear climate, what I remember best as we trekked and climbed in the hills was the wildlife: monkeys, jackals, foxes and hundreds of exotic birds. Like everywhere else, Murree is more crowded now than it was in the 1960s; but it remains a magical spot despite losing some of its trees and the resulting landslides, and I only hope that future generations will be able to enjoy it as I did.

Murree in summer

When I was about seven years old, my parents took us to a rest house for our summer holidays, a few miles above Murree in a place called Doonga Gali. I'll never forget the commotion caused throughout the area when a panther killed a donkey next to our rest house. The excitement grew even greater when hunters came in from the surrounding countryside and built machans (camouflaged platforms) around the kill: luckily the crafty panther sensed trouble and failed to show up. Quite recently a panther made its way into someone's garage in Islamabad, which is about forty miles from Doonga Gali. The police were called, and some forty bullets were pumped into the unfortunate animal. When the news broke next day, the police action was widely condemned; with the result that when a month or two later, a snow leopard walked into someone's house way up in Chitral, in the Karakoram, an expert was flown in from Karachi to dart the leopard with a sedative before letting it back into the wild.

