4. The story of Amrita

I.Fill in the blanks:

- 1. khejadli village is near Jodhpur in Rajasthan.
- 2. Khejadli village got its name from the Khejadi trees that grew there.
- 3. We cannot survive without <u>plants</u> and <u>animals</u>.
- 4. People living in Khejadli village are called Bishnois.
- 5. The <u>Bishnois</u> community protects <u>plants and animals</u>.
- 6. Birds and animals are losing their homes because people are cutting trees.
- 7. Jaipur is the capital city of Rajasthan.
- 8. Rajasthan is a desert.

II. Write true or false:

- 1. If you plant more trees then your village will be nice and green True
- 2. If we cut trees, we will not get enough rain True
- 3. We should collect only the dry sticks that fall from trees for firewood True
- 4. If we hunt animals, we will not be punished False
- 5. The Bishnois belong to Karnataka False

Home work

Draw any five different types of trees and write their names

III. Match the following:

- Jaipur Capital of Rajasthan.
 Khejadli Village near Jodhpur.
- 3. Bishnois Protect plants and animals.
- 4. Khejadi A tree
- 5. Jodhpur -City in Rajasthan

IV. Answer the following:

1. Who are Bishnois?

The Bishnois are a <u>community of people in Rajasthan who take great care of plants and animals.</u>

2. How are trees useful for us?

- Trees give us the oxygen we breathe.
- o They also give us medicines, flowers, fruits, wood and shade.
- o Trees maintain the balance in the environment.
- o Trees help in the formation of rain.
- o Trees are the <u>living place for many birds and animals</u>.

3. Can we cut trees? Why?

- No, we cannot cut trees as they are useful to us in many ways.
- o Trees are our true friends.
- o If we cut them, we will be punished by law.

4. What will happen if people cut trees?

- o The animals of the jungle will have no place to live and will enter the village.
- o People will have <u>less oxygen</u> to breathe.
- There will be <u>less rain and more water problems</u>.

5. What can we do to keep our environment clean?

- We should <u>plant more trees</u>.
- We should take care of plants and animals.
- We <u>should not cut trees or kill animals</u>.

Home work

Paste pictures of any 10 trees and write their names.

V. Answer in detail:

1. Write about Khejadi tree.

- The Khejadi tree is found mainly in <u>desert areas.</u>
- It can grow without much water.
- Its <u>bark</u> is used for making <u>medicines</u>.
- People cook and eat its fruits (beans).
- Its <u>wood</u> is such that it will <u>not be affected by insects</u>.
- Animals in this area <u>eat the leaves of the Khejadi</u>.

• Children play in its shade.