Sikkim is a state in the north-eastern part of India. The capital of Sikkim is Gangtok. It is a nice city. People in Sikkim speak Nepali, Lepcha, Bhutia, Limbu and English.

Sikkim has hilly areas and rocky slopes. People use terrace farming. They get water from the mountain streams. People grow tea, cardamom, ginger, apples and oranges.

The forest regions of Sikkim have a wide variety of plants, birds and animals. Pine and oak trees, and bamboo and banana grow in plenty. We find different kinds of orchids. Along with the red panda, which is the state animal, snow leopards and musk deer are also found.

Kangchenjunga, the world’s third highest peak, is located in Sikkim.

The weather is cold in Sikkim.
1. Write 'T' for true and 'F' for false statements in brackets. One has been done for you.
   (i) The weather of Sikkim is cold. (T)
   (ii) Gangtok is the capital of Sikkim. ( )
   (iii) Gangtok is a dirty city. ( )
   (iv) The elephant is the state animal of Sikkim ( )
   (v) Almost every person in Sikkim can understand more than one language. ( )

2. Locate Sikkim on the map of India.

3. Fill in the blanks with correct forms of the words given in the brackets. One has been done for you.
Ibetombi lives (live) in Manipur. Her house is near the Loktak lake. She _________ (like) to __________ (read) stories. She ________ (do) not like cold weather. She __________ (want) to go to Chennai in winter.
Peter is Ibetombi's friend. Last year he ___________ (visit) Gangtok in December. He _______ (do) not __________ (like) the cold weather. Now he __________ (want) to ___________ (see) Goa.

4. When you hear the word 'weather' what are the things that come to your mind? Write them down in the circles. One has been done for you.
5. **Listen and repeat.**

- tail  
- bail  
- fail  
- sail  
- wail

- tell  
- bell  
- fell  
- sell  
- well

6. **Fill in the blanks. Choose the opposites from the list given below. One has been done for you.**

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(i) This roof is not high, it is low.
(ii) This question is not __________, it is difficult.
(iii) That place is not clean, it is ________.
(iv) My shirt is not __________, it is beautiful.
(v) My school is not __________, it is good.
(vi) Sikkim is cold, it is not ________.

7. **Write a paragraph about the place you live in. You may use the following hints.**

language(s) spoken  
nearest city or town  
special things  
crops  
birds and animals  
any other details
Let’s Practise

Milk  Rain  Come  Bird

Dance  Potter  Watch  Light
Let’s Practise

Wheel  Sleep  Tiger  Today

People  Farmer  Monkey  Temple
Let's Practise

Village Cricket Balloon Weather

Elephant Mountain Cardamom