

## D is for Dandelion

### Assignment 23

- **Reading.** Read and study all the material of contained in Lesson 23. You will be reading “The Monkey’s Fiddle” and “The Black Sheep” and be answering questions on the first.
- **Handwriting.** Complete Lesson 22 of the D is for Dandelion handwriting book.
- **Poetics.** Memorize stanza 3 of Christina Rossetti’s “The First Day of Spring.”
- **Book Report.** Start reading your next book if you have not already. This quarter *you will NOT be writing a book report; instead*, in class you will be telling the 1) author, 2) title 3) a plot summary and 4) your opinion of the book (negative and/or positive). Nothing needs to be written down.
- **Speech Day.** Revise your narrative speech for Speech Day. Please have someone, such as a parent, type it out for you and email your revision by the third Friday in March. I want it typed for several reason. I will mention two: 1) If there are any more revisions that you have to make, you will not have to rewrite the whole composition. 2) I want a copy for other future students to read online as an example.
- **Dictation.**



This dictation reviews the concepts learned in the last lesson. Students should underline the verb twice in each of the dictation sentences. If the verb is a linking verb, they should mark “L”; if an action verb, they should mark “A.” If the verb is a linking verb, students should underline what is linked once. Teachers should give examples first, such as the following. In the exercises there may be two verbs or two words linked to the subject.

#### EXAMPLES

- Lolly smiled and laughed. A
- Sam’s sled is old and rusty. L
- Patrick was a good friend. L

#### EXERCISE A

1. The bagful of clothes was light. L
2. They ate leaves and bulbs during the famine. A
3. The peas were juicy. L
4. The animals were an orangutan and a wolf. L
5. The children quarreled about their seating. A

#### EXERCISE B

1. The feast was a real treat! L
2. He decided to speak the truth and perish. A
3. At least his room is neat. L
4. That wolf in sheep’s clothing is a cheat! L
5. Please smear the fleece with this oil. A