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**Teaching Aids (Provided): TRD**

**Concept-Value Connection:**

- **The art of creative writing needs imagination. It is different from other forms of writing and requires us to think out of the box, make the mundane magical.**

**Activity: Role-Play**

**Characters: Narrator, Akbar and Birbal**

**Narrator:** Birbal was a minister in King Akbar's court. He was well known for his wit, intelligence and his original thinking. One day Akbar and Birbal are taking a stroll in the garden.

**Akbar:** Birbal, use your creativity to create a good painting for me.

**Birbal:** Huzoor! I don't know how to paint. I am a minister and not an artist.

**Akbar:** (angrily) You have to obey my orders. If you don't create a good painting and present it to me within a week, you will be punished.

**Narrator:** Birbal decides to put his creativity and imagination to use and comes up with a bright idea. A week later he goes to the court carrying a covered frame.

**Akbar:** I am happy that you obeyed my orders. Take out the cover and reveal your beautiful art.

**Narrator:** King Akbar and the courtiers are in a state of shock when they see the painting. The painting has nothing but a ground and sky with a few specs of green on the ground. King Akbar is furious.

**Akbar:** What is this?

**Birbal:** A cow eating grass huzoor!

**Akbar:** What! Where is the cow and grass in this painting?

**Birbal:** I used my imagination huzoor. The cow ate the grass and went back to its shed.

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**Akbar:** (Laughs loudly) Birbal, you are an absolute genius! Here is a prize for your original thinking.

**Point to Ponder/reflect upon**

- **Imagination is a powerful tool for creative thinking and problem solving.**
- **Creativity is the use of imagination in all that we do.**