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Greetings from Ferny (press)

Look up the meaning of these words

combed special haircut patient scissors mirror

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Today was the first day of school, and my friend Jody had a new haircut. It looked so cool. When I got home, I asked my mom for a haircut, and I told her exactly how I wanted it. I asked her, very politely, if she could do it today? Sadly, she was busy. She told me that it takes a long time to cut hair. "First, you have to take a bath so that your hair is wet. Then, you have to brush it out really well," she said. My face dropped as my mom continued. "Finally, when you cut, you have to use special scissors, and cut very gently so that everything is even," her voice trailed off.



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“You need to be very careful and get it just right. If you make a mistake, you can’t glue the hair back on,” she said, laughing. I didn’t think it was very funny. “Maybe I can cut it for you on the weekend,” she told me. I went back to my room and looked at my hair in the mirror. It was way too long, and I didn’t want to go back to school looking like this. I thought about what Mom had told me. She said to take a bath first, but I already took one this morning. Then she said to brush my hair, so I gave it a quick brush. Mom had said to use special scissors. I got my school scissors out of my desk. If they could cut paper they could cut hair!



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I looked in the mirror again and paused. Mom’s comment that “you can’t glue it back on again” made me worry a little. I decided to cut just a little hair off. Snip. Snip. Snip. I watched some hair float to the floor. I looked in the mirror, and one side was shorter

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than the other.

Snip. Snip. Snip. I looked again, but now the other side was shorter!

Snip. Snip. Snip. It was still wrong.

Snip. Snip. Snip. I kept trying to fix things,

but the more I cut the more lopsided and crooked my

hair became. I started to cry.

Mom walked in. She looked

at my new haircut. She shook

her head and didn't say

anything. I don't like it when she

doesn't say anything.

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"Are you mad because it's ugly?"

disappointed because you were not patient. I am

disappointed that you did

not wait for me," she replied.

I went into the bathroom

and took a bath. My mom

brushed my hair out, and

clipped gently with her

special scissors. It wasn't

perfect, but it was much

better. My mom smiled as

she combed my hair one last

time. "All good things come

to those who wait," she said.



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Please Wait (exercises)

Choose the correct answer.

- Why did the girl want to cut her hair?
 - a. She was bored of her hair.
 - b. Her best friend got a new haircut that she liked.
 - c. She didn't want hair anymore.
 - d. She wanted to annoy her mom.
- Why did the girl's mom ask her to wait?
 - e. She did not want to cut her daughter's hair
 - f. She was not in the mood.
 - g. She was busy.
 - h. She wanted her daughter to cut her own hair.
- What lesson did the girl learn at the end of the story?
 - i. Do not steal.
 - j. Be kind to others.
 - k. Be respectful towards your parents.
 - l. Be patient.

2. Circle the correct choice in the sentences below.

The girl wanted to make her hair (longer / shorter).

Her best friend's hair was (cool / awful).

The result was (amazing / terrible) when the girl cut her own hair.

Mom was (angry / disappointed) that her daughter cut her own hair.

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3. Fill in the blanks with the steps for a good haircut.

Take a _____, so that your _____

is _____. _____ your

_____ really well. _____ hair

_____ with _____ scissors.

Did the girl follow these steps when she cut her own hair?

_____.