The Mausoleum of Aisha Bibi. p. 60 SB

Vocabulary

Прочитай и прослушай слова. Повтори за диктором, запомни и запиши их в словарь

- mausoleum ***n.*** - мавзолей
- guard ***v.*** - защищать
- delicate patterned ***adj.*** – нежно узорчатый
- tile ***n.*** – керамическая плитка
- refuse ***v.*** - отказать
- pack ***v.*** – собрать, упаковать
- cross ***v.*** - пересечь
- curse ***n.*** - проклятие
- poisonous ***adj.*** - ядовитый
- beg ***v.*** - молить
- noble ***adj.*** - благородный
- order ***v.*** - приказать
- faithful ***adj.*** - верный
- empire ***n.*** - империя
- bury ***v.*** - хоронить

Read the legend of The Mausoleum of Aisha Bibi. p. 60 SB.

In the Taraz region of southern Kazakhstan, there stands a beautiful and mysterious building from many years ago. Hundreds of ***delicate patterned*** tiles decorate every wall of the building. It is called the ***Mausoleum*** of Aisha Bibi and, although its true origins are lost in history, there is a local legend that tells the tragic story of Aisha Bibi and her death.

A long time ago, the great khan of Taraz, Karakhan, travelled to Samarkand. While he was walking along the streets of that great city, Karakhan came across Aisha Bibi, the beautiful daughter of Khakim-Ata. When Karakhan and Aisha Bibi saw each other they both fell in love. Karakhan went to Aisha's father to ask if he could marry his daughter but Khakim-Ata ***refused***. Although Karakhan was a khan, his kingdom was still very small at that time and he had less money than Khakim-Ata. There was nothing he could say to change Khakim-Ata's mind. Before he left, Aisha Bibi and Karakhan made a secret promise to marry each other.

A few weeks passed, but Aisha Bibi had no news from Karakhan. She decided to travel to Taraz to find him. Her mother helped her ***pack*** a few things to take with her and sent her old nanny Babadzha Khatun with her. But as Khakim-Ata saw his daughter riding away he shouted a ***curse*** after her: "You will ***cross*** six rivers, but you will not ***cross*** the seventh!"

The two women rode north for weeks, until they saw the city of Taraz in the distance. Before they ***crossed*** the seventh river, they stopped so Aisha could bathe, forgetting her father's ***curse***. Just then, a ***poisonous*** snake leapt from under a rock and bit her. The poison was fast. Aisha Bibi ***begged*** her nanny to ride ahead to Taraz and bring Karakhan to her.

The old woman rode as fast as she could, but when Karakhan arrived, Aisha Bibi died in his arms. The ***noble*** Karakhan ***ordered*** that a beautiful ***mausoleum*** would be built in the exact place that she died. Her ***faithful*** nanny Babadzha Khatun ***guarded*** the ***mausoleum*** until her own death.

Karakhan later founded the great Karakhanid ***Empire*** and became a powerful and wise khan. He lived for many years but never married. When he died, he asked to be ***buried*** somewhere facing the beautiful mausoleum of Aisha Bibi.

To this day, women who are getting married visit the mausoleum to ask for happiness and children. The legend says that anyone who visits the Mausoleum of Aisha Bibi on their wedding day will have a long and happy marriage.

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Task 1

Complete the sentences. Drag the verbs to fill in the gaps.

Дополни предложения, перетащив данные глаголы в места пропусков.

refused ***guarded*** ***buried*** ***ordered*** ***crossed***

1 The khan ..... his men to build a mausoleum.
2 The soldiers ..... the king to keep him safe.
3 Karakhan ..... Aisha Bibi in a beautiful tomb.
4 They ..... the river in order to get to the other side.
5 Her father ..... when Karakhan asked to marry Aisha Bibi.

Task 2.

a) Match to form phrases.

Соедини мышкой слова

1	true	**a**	snake
2	secret	**b**	khan
3	local	**c**	legend
4	poisonous	**d**	origins
5	tragic	**e**	promise
6	wise	**f**	story

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b) Then, use the phrases to complete the sentences.
Впечатай получившиеся фразы и дополни предложения

1 She made a …… to him to wait for him forever.
2 No one knows what the …… of this centuries old story are.
3 He was a very …… and ruled over his people with kindness and justice.
4 It was a …… of death, betrayal and lost love.
5 She was bitten by a …… and nearly died.
6 According to a ……, a kind woman lives in the dark waters of the lake.

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