

## **CHAPTER 13**

### **Little Girls Wiser than Men**

#### **True/False Questions**

1. The story takes place during a late Easter with no snow remaining. (True / False)
2. Malasha wears a yellow frock and Akoulya wears a blue one. (True / False)
3. The girls' quarrel begins when Malasha intentionally splashes Akoulya. (True / False)
4. The men nearly start fighting until the girls' actions calm them. (True / False)
5. The old grandmother is knocked down by the crowd. (True / False)

#### **Fill-in-the-Blanks**

1. Akoulya's dress was splashed when Malasha plumped her foot down, dirtying the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The girls used a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_ to dig a channel for the water.
3. The old woman scolded the villagers, saying, "\_\_\_\_\_! They are wiser than you!"

4. The water from the puddle flowed into the street because the girls redirected it with a \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The mothers' argument started when Akoulya's mother struck \_\_\_\_\_.

### Multiple-Choice Questions

1. Why did the girls take off their shoes and stockings?
- a) To wash them in the puddle
  - b) To avoid getting scolded by their mothers
  - c) To make splashing easier
  - d) To play a different game
2. What caused Akoulya to chase Malasha?
- a) Malasha stole her handkerchief
  - b) Malasha splashed mud on her frock
  - c) Malasha insulted her mother
  - d) Malasha ran home first

**3. How did the villagers react to the mothers' quarrel?**

- a) They ignored it
- b) They joined in, nearly fighting
- c) They praised the grandmother
- d) They punished both girls

**4. What did the girls do to resolve the conflict indirectly?**

- a) Apologized to their mothers
- b) Built a dam to stop the water
- c) Dug a channel to redirect the water
- d) Ran away from the village

**5. What lesson did the old grandmother emphasize?**

- a) Children should not play in puddles
- b) Adults should act as wisely as the children

- c) Easter is a time for solemn reflection
  - d) Fighting is necessary to resolve disputes
- 6. What were the girls doing when the water reached the crowd?**
- a) Crying and arguing
  - b) Chasing each other
  - c) Laughing and following the stream
  - d) Hiding behind the grandmother
- 7. What color was Malasha's handkerchief?**
- a) Blue
  - b) Yellow
  - c) Red
  - d) Green
- 8. Why were the men ashamed at the end?**
- a) The grandmother scolded them
  - b) The girls were playing peacefully

- c) They realized their fight was pointless
- d) All of the above

**9. What season is described in the story?**

- a) Summer
- b) Autumn
- c) Winter transitioning to spring
- d) Late spring

**10. What did Akoulya's mother accuse Malasha of?**

- a) Stealing
- b) Splashing on purpose
- c) Lying
- d) Breaking a toy