

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