



A long time ago, in Mathura, there was a king named Kans who was infamous for his greed and unfair rule. After the marriage of his sister Devaki to Vasudev, a prophetic voice from above announced, "Your sister will kill you."

This enraged Kans and he imprisoned the newlyweds. Kans went on to kill 7 of Devaki's children. When she gave birth to her 8th child, the prophetic voice returned, and said,

"Take the child across the river Yamuna to Gokul and exchange him with your friends Nand's and Yashoda's newly born daughter." Vasudev looked down to realize, his hands had been unchained. He quickly picked up his child and put him in a basket, arriving at the gates to find them opened on their own and the guards asleep.

As he crossed the stormy river, the basket upon his head, the water never rose above his shoulders. When he struggled, a ten-headed snake appeared to protect the child from the pouring rain. Vasudev by now had realized that his child was a divine being. At Nand's house, Vasudev switched the children and returned to the prison.

When Kans arrived and tried to harm the child, it took the form of Goddess Durga and said "The 8th child, who is going to end your reign of terror, has been born and will fulfil his prophecy." The child Krishna, was raised by Yashoda and went on to kill Kans.

And so every year we celebrate the birth of Krishna, also known as Janmashtami, across India.

Read and decide whether the sentences are True or False

Kans was infamous for his good quality

TRUE

FALSE

Kans was a fair leader

TRUE

FALSE

A prophetic voice told Kans to take care of his sister

TRUE

FALSE

He put his sister into prison

TRUE

FALSE

Kans took care of Devaki's children

TRUE

FALSE

Devaki gave birth to 10 children

TRUE

FALSE

The 8<sup>th</sup> child was exchanged with the boy

TRUE

FALSE

Vasudev escaped from prison without problems

TRUE

FALSE

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