

Little Girls are Wiser

Word-Meanings

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| 1. Easter | - | A Christian festival |
| 2. frantically | - | very anxiously |
| 3. sternly | - | seriously |
| 4. defended | - | protected |
| 5. squabbling | - | quarrelling |
| 6. pleaded with | - | requested |
| 7. turned in full
fury | - | in a lot of anger |

II. *Fill Ups:-*

1. There were *puddles* of muddy water all along the streets.
2. *Akulya* and *Malasha* were in their Sunday best.
3. The girls *admired* each other's clothes.
4. Malasha was much too *excited* and *plumped* her foot down.
5. Both the girls *frantically* tried to *dab* the stains off the frock and make them *disappear*.
6. Akulya *pleaded nervously* to her mother.
7. Some women *supported* Akulya's mother while others *defended* Malasha's.
8. The girls had *forgotten* their *quarrel* and were making paper boats.
9. The men and women went *silently* back to their homes feeling *ashamed* of themselves.
10. Children *forgive* and *forget* easily.

Question-Answers

Q1. Why were the two girls dressed in their Sunday best?

Ans. The two girls were dressed in their Sunday best because it was Easter Sunday.

Q2. What happened when the two girls were playing together in the street?

Ans. When the two girls were playing in the street, Malasha accidentally splashed muddy water onto Akulya's new frock.

Q3. What was the reason for the quarrel between Akulya and Malasha's mother?

Ans. The reason for the quarrel between Akulya and Malasha's mother was this that Akulya's mother had scolded little Malasha for dirtying her daughter's frock.

Q4. What happened after the two women started quarrelling?

Ans. After the two women started quarrelling they were joined by other men and women. The quarrelling had now turned into squabbling.

Q5. Who tried to stop the fight? Did she succeed?

Ans. Akulya's grand mother pleaded and tried to stop the fight. However, no one listened to her and she did not succeed in ending the fight.

Q6. What did Akulya and Malasha do towards the end of the story?

Ans. Towards the end of the story Akulya and Malasha were playing near the puddle with paper boats.