

## St.Benedict Academy



**Hello students,**

**Hope,You all are keeping well.Stay at home 🏠 and be safe.**

**Today,we are sending you,some English notes 📄 to engage you in studies📖,so that you all can utilise your time🕒 properly.**

**Summary of the chapter is also given,which will help you in understanding the chapter well,but no need to write the summary in your fair copy.**

**A video will also be sent to you,in which the story of this chapter is given.Please watch the video carefully to understand the story given in chapter-2.**

**Write all the exercises and question answers in good handwriting ✍️ in your English copy 📖 .**

**Please follow the 👉 given instructions.**

## Summary:-

This is a story of two little girls 👧👧 named Malasha and Akulya. It was Easter (Christians festival) and snow still lay in the yards. Water from the melting snow ran in streams down the village streets. Two little girls 👧👧 happened to meet in a lane between two homes 🏠 near a large puddle. They both wore new frocks 👗👗. They had just come from church 🏰 when they met. They began to splash about in the water. Malasha put her foot down so hard that the water splashed right on to Akulya's frock.



Just then Akulya's mother happened to be passing and saw her daughter's skirt was splashed. Akulya said that Malasha did it purposely.

Akulya's mother grabbed Malasha and struck her on the back of her neck. Malasha began to howl so that she could be heard all down the street. Her mother came out. Both started quarrelling. Then a crowd collected in the street. Both the girls took a stone and began scraping away in order to make a channel through which the water could run out into the street.



Then the girls started playing together. The old woman said that the grown-ups are fighting for the girls whereas they themselves have forgotten everything and are playing happily together. They are Wiser than elders. The adults were ashamed.

## **Chapter-2**

### **Little Girls are Wiser**

#### **Word Meanings**

**1)Print :- A coloured design or pattern that is marked on cloth.**

**2)Finery :- Expensive clothes.**

**3)Strike :- Hit.**

**4)Scrambled :- Moved quickly and clumsily from or into a place.**

**5)Quiet the crowd :- Get the crowd to calm down and be peaceful.**

**6)Channel :- A narrow passage for water to flow along.**

**7)Pacify :- To cause someone who is angry to become peaceful and calm.**

**8)Lassies :- Old fashioned word to refer to young women or girls.**

Complete these sentences with the correct words :-

1. a. The confused tourists decided to ask for directions to the old church 🏰.

b. The students found the instructions confusing 😞: they felt it would be easier to watch someone do it.

2. a. She felt better after the satisfying meal 🍴.

b. The store asks all its satisfied customers to give it five stars online.

3. a. She told us one or two amusing stories about her career in the police 🚔 force-one story was very funny.

b. They had plenty of board games to keep the children 👧👦 amused.

4. a. They are annoyed because he is late again.

b. She has an annoying habit of humming loudly while she studies.


5. a. She has had some dissapointing news-she did not get into the college in Delhi.

b. Purav was dissapointed when the magician could not come for his birthday 🎂 party.







Answer in brief.


Q1)Where do the little girls meet?How does the place look?

Ans:-The little girls  met in a lane between two homes,where the dirty water from the farms had run down the lane to form a large puddle.

Q2)What happened when the men came out of their homes?

Ans:-When the men came out of their homes ,a crowd  collected in the street.Everyone was shouting and they all went on quarrelling and nearly started hitting each other.

Q3)what did Akulya's grandmother say to try and calm the crowd when she saw the girls playing together again?

Ans:-She said to the crowd that aren't they ashamed of fighting,when the girls themselves have forgotten everything.According to her,little girls were more wiser than those grown-ups.

Q4) How did the adults feel once they stopped fighting?

Ans:-Once they stopped fighting ,they felt ashamed of themselves.

**Read these lines from the text and answer the questions.**

**1. "What are you beating my girl for?"she said.**

**a. Who said this to whom?**

**Ans:-Malasha's mother said this to Akulya's mother.**

**b. What happened next?**

**Ans:-Malasha's mother began scolding her neighbour. One word led to another and they started quarrelling.**

**2. "What are you thinking of, friends?Is it right to behave like this?On a day like this,too!"**

**a. Who said this to whom?**



**Ans:-Akulya's mother said this to the quarrelling crowd.**

**b. Why does the text say'on a day like this'?What was special about that day?**

**Ans:-It was the day of Easter.It was special because it was a festival of Christians who celebrate the Christ's return to life.**

**Answer in detail.**


**Q1)Are the little girls friends or strangers?How do you know?**

**Ans:-yes,the little girls were friends because they showed each other-their dresses   and then they began to play together.Even Akulya adviced Malasha not to splash in the puddle.This shows that they were friends.**

**Q2)Why did Malasha's mother become so angry?**

**Ans:- When Akulya's mother struck Malasha on the back of her neck,Malasha began to howl so loud that she could be heard all down the street.When Malasha's mother saw her neighbour beating her daughter,she became very angry.**

**Q3) Describe the game that the two girls played ?**

**Ans:- They began to splash about in the water.Then they took off their shoes  and stockings,picking up their skirts,began walking towards each other through the puddle.In this way,the two girls  played.**

**Q4)How did Akulya's grandmother finally stop the fight?**

**Ans:-Akulya's grandmother said to the crowd that aren't they ashamed of fighting,when the girls themselves have forgotten everything and playing together again.The men and women really felt ashamed and they finally stopped fighting.**