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Class IV English I
Lesson: 12 A Game of Hopscotch

New-words

Hopscotch - a game played by children

remote - far away from where other people live

Duliatal - a hill station near Nainital

trotting - to walk fast

tissue - a thin piece of soft paper

awful - very bad or unpleasant

mist - a light, thin cloud hanging low over the ground because of the rain and cold, making it difficult to see very far

eucalyptus - a kind of tree which produces a strong-smelling oil

laid up - made to stay in bed

muddy - full of or covered in mud

cross - annoyed

dainty - small, pretty and delicate

ulster - a man's long, loose overcoat of rough cloth, typically with a belt at the back.

overcoat - a long thick coat that you wear in cold weather



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bobby-pin - a small hairpin used to hold the hair neatly in place

vanishes - to stop existing

A Answer these questions.

1. Why was Tinku surprised when she heard Mirry's voice?

Ans. Tinku was surprised when she heard Mirry's voice because she was alone in her room and had not heard anyone walk in.

2. Where did Mirry meet Tinku's aunts? How did she help them?

Ans. Mirry met Tinku's aunts when they were lost in the hills. She helped them find their way back to the cottage.

Q 3. Why did Tinku ask Mirry her father's name? What does Mirry's answer tell you about her?

Ans. Tinku had tried to tell some people about Mirry's father, but no one could recognise him when she described him as the doctor who visited his parents on horse back. So, she asked Mirry her father's name.

Q 4. How did Mirry explain the rules of Hopscotch to Tinku?

Ans. Mirry drew the hopscotch court on the carpet with a piece of chalk, and showed Tinku how to throw the bobby-pin inside a square.

Q 5. Why did Mirry leave suddenly? How did Tinky react?

Ans. Mirry left suddenly because she heard her father's horse trotting uphill. Her father would be worried if she did not return home in the evening as he was afraid that she would lose her way in the hills.

Tinky was disappointed that Mirry did not stay longer.

Q 6. What did Tinky ask Paro to do after Mirry left? What did Paro tell her?

Ans. Tinky requested Paro to close the door. She also asked for a mop to wipe the muddy marks on the carpet. Paro told Tinky that she had closed the door in the morning, right after Tinky's parents left for Nainital. She also pointed out that there were no muddy marks on the carpet.