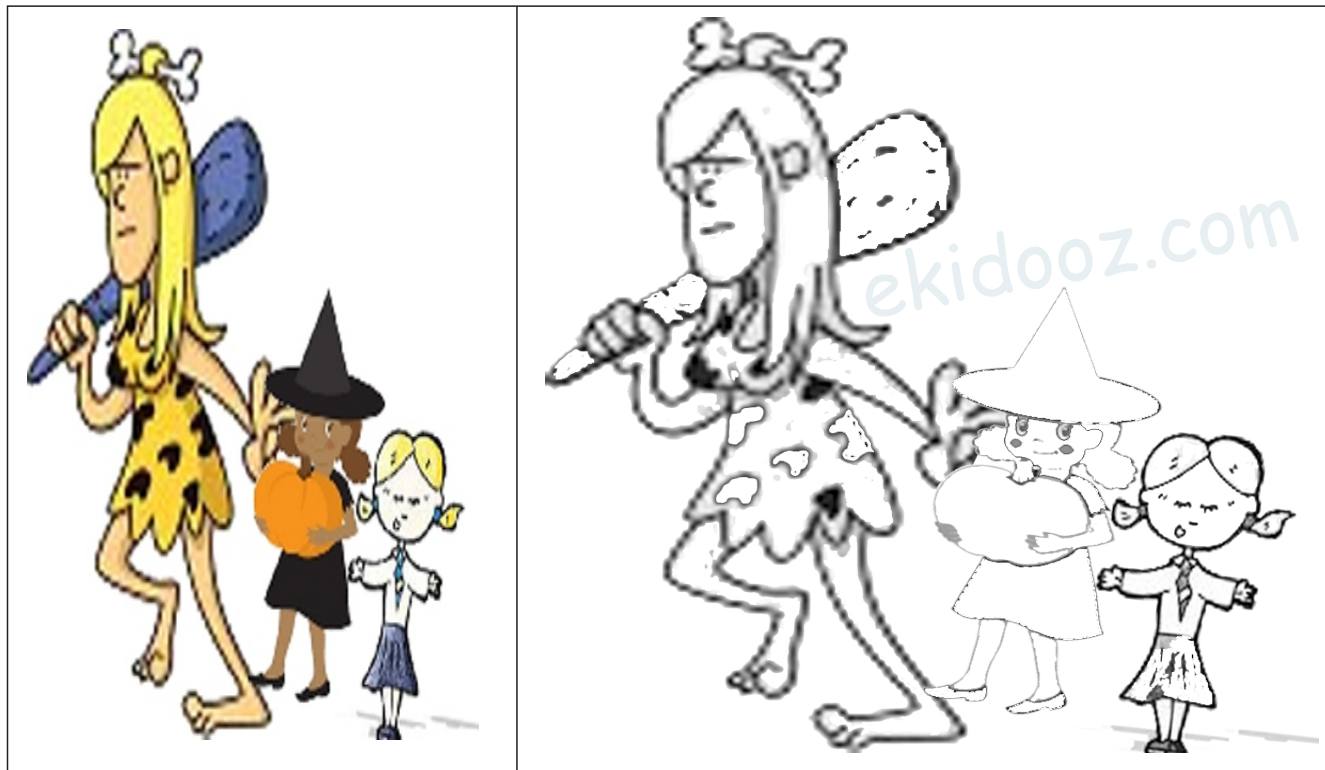


Nobody Believes a Liar

Age Group - 7-10 Yrs



Amita, a mischievous girl was admitted in a boarding school. It was difficult for her parents to control her. Amita was quarrelsome and a liar.

One day, standing at the edge of the topmost floor of the hostel, she shouted with loud voice, "See how my room-mate has beaten me, I am writhing with pain."

The hostel warden and staff members ran to help her. Seeing her crying, they took her to the medical room for first aid. The doctor investigated and found there was no injury. It was proved that she was lying.

The hostel warden and the support staff got highly annoyed.

Few days later, Amita went to principal's room complaining that her room-mate had beaten her. The principal called the hostel warden to enquire into the matter. Hostel warden called the room-mate and he found her to be a simple and innocent girl, who, in fact, complained that Amita constantly teased her. The hostel warden found that he had been duped again.

Amita's teasing and taunting continued, crossing all the limits. One Sunday, her room-mate joined by other girls encircled Amita and started beating her black and blue using their fists and legs. She shouted as loud she could, but nobody was there to rescue her. The hostel warden and the support staff didn't turn up. She struggled hard to save herself but it was of

no use. After the girls left, somehow, Amita managed to reach the Hostel Warden but he didn't believe her.

Next Day was a working day, Amita went to the Principal to show her bruises and injuries. The Principal called up the warden and asked him. The hostel warden told how he had been befooled twice by Amita. The Principal also realized the same. So, they both decided not to believe her this time.

Moral: *Nobody believes a liar.*

Questions:

- Q1. Why was Amita admitted in the boarding school?
- Q2. What was her behaviour with her roommate?
- Q3. What were the lies she used to say for having fun?
- Q4. What did Amita's roommate and other girls do to her?
- Q5. What was the reaction of Hostel Warden and Principal?

Glossary

- Mischievous** : showing a playful desire to cause trouble
Writhing : to twist the body as in pain or struggle
Investigated : carefully examined or searched to find facts
Duped : easily fooled or deceived
Taunting : insulting

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