

Bless Those Who Care for You

Here's an experience my friends and I had, which taught us to show more compassion and understanding to the adults who help us.

Kohila wants to tell you of a lesson she learned on the importance of showing understanding toward the adults who care for you.



Thank you, Miss Amy!

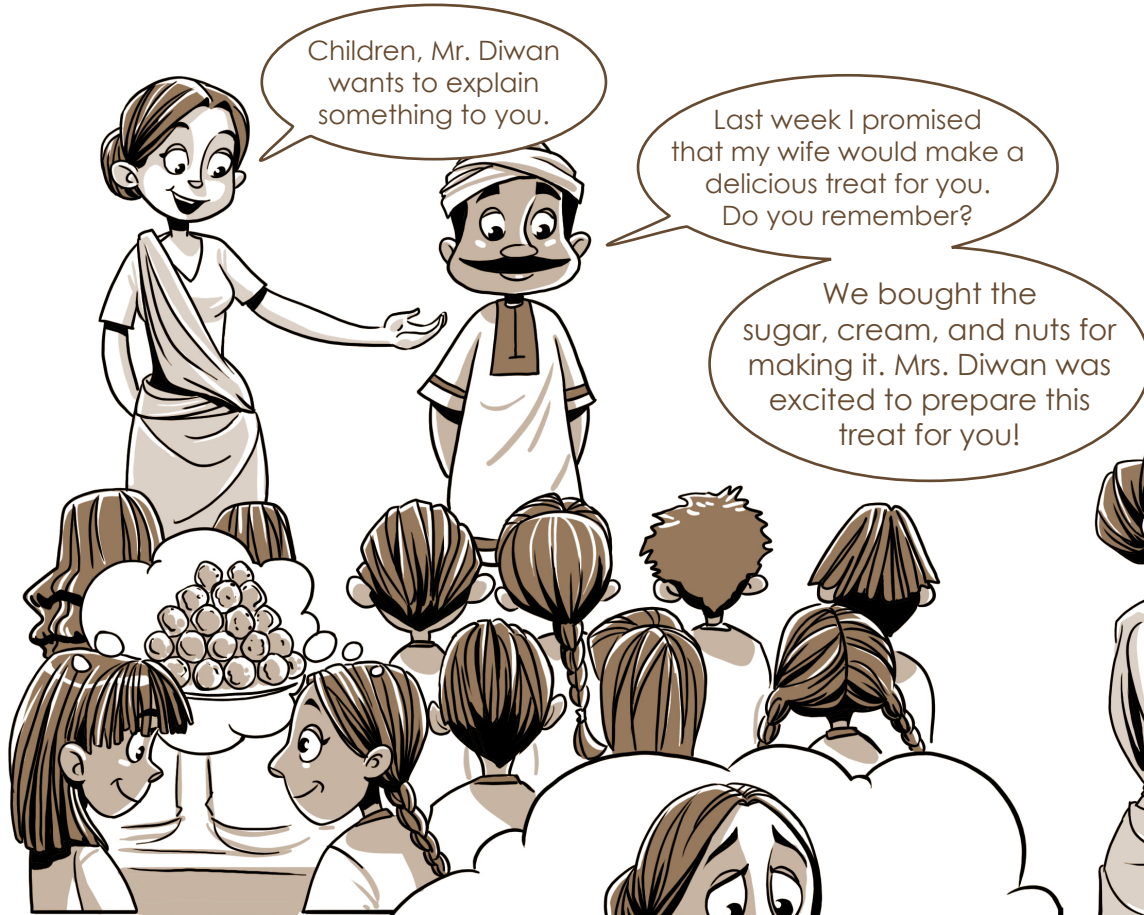
It's natural for us as children to expect the adults to do things for us. After all, we're children and need their care. But it's also important for us to consider their feelings.

What happened to the treats that Mr. Diwan said his wife was making for us?

I guess they forgot.

Yeah, they forgot about us, and we just get porridge again!

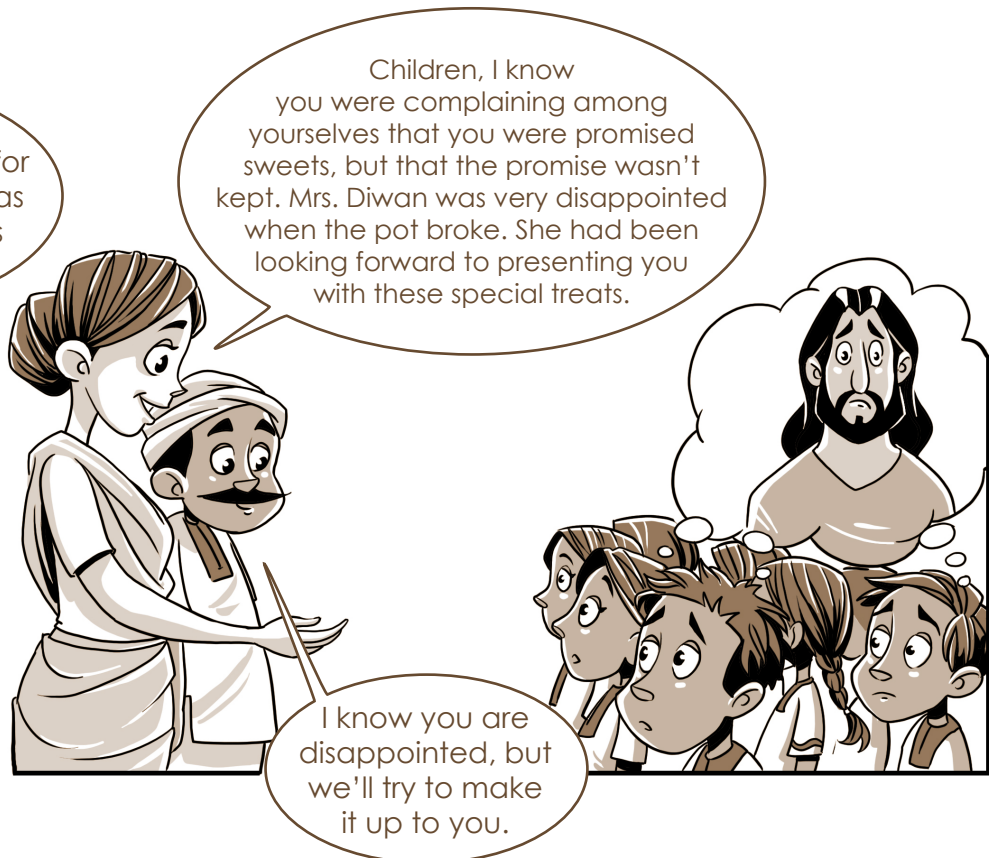




Children, Mr. Diwan wants to explain something to you.

Last week I promised that my wife would make a delicious treat for you. Do you remember?

We bought the sugar, cream, and nuts for making it. Mrs. Diwan was excited to prepare this treat for you!



Children, I know you were complaining among yourselves that you were promised sweets, but that the promise wasn't kept. Mrs. Diwan was very disappointed when the pot broke. She had been looking forward to presenting you with these special treats.

I know you are disappointed, but we'll try to make it up to you.

But something unforeseen happened. Mrs. Diwan hadn't noticed the crack that developed in her pot. Sweets must be cooked at a high temperature, and while she was cooking the crack grew, spilling all of that yummy sweet liquid!



We were ashamed for having complained about Mr. and Mrs. Diwan and felt bad for Mrs. Diwan.

As children, sometimes we become too focused on what we need and want, and forget about the feelings of those who work hard on our behalf.

After this experience we determined to try to be more considerate of those who do things for us.



About a week later, Miss Amy called us to gather for a surprise.

There stood Mr. and Mrs. Diwan with two trays heaping full of delicious sweets!

From this story, we can learn to show more gratitude to our parents and other adults who do their best to care and provide for us.

Here's a prayer you can pray for your parents, teachers, and other adults who help care for you, replacing the "you" with the name of the adult.

"May the Lord bless and protect you;
 may the Lord's face radiate with joy because of you;
 may he be gracious to you,
 show you his favor,
 and give you his peace."
 (Numbers 6:24-26 TLB)

