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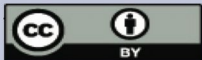
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I wake up in the morning.

I rub my eyes.

I cannot see my mother.

“Ma ! Ma! Hurry up!!”



Ma is busy.
She says, "Good morning.
Get up ! Go wash your face."



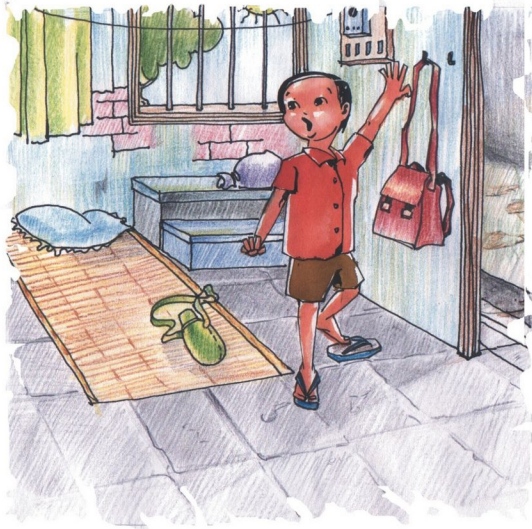
I wash my hands and face.
I have a bath in a hurry.
I want to go soon. "Ma, hurry up."



“Yes! I am coming,” Ma says to me.
“I have to boil the milk, then I will come.”



I comb my hair and button my shirt.
Now I am ready. "Ma, hurry up."



Ma gives Didi her clothes. She helps
Didi get ready. There is so much
work in the morning. But I am in a hurry.



“Ma, I am getting late.” I pick up my
water bottle and school bag.

I wear my chappals.

“Come on let us go. Ma, hurry up.”



"Yes! I am coming.
Let me comb your sister's hair.
I need five minutes more and
then we can go."



I want to go now.
I do not want to wait.
I feel like crying. Didi has gone to school
and I am still here.



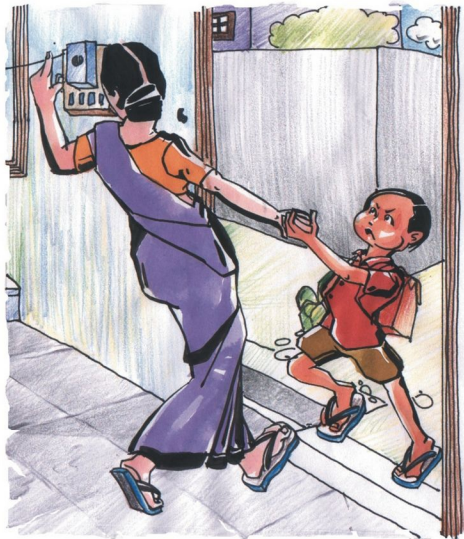
"I am almost done.
I only have to fill water."
She always has something to do.
"Ma, please, please, hurry up."



"I am going. You better come with me."

I hold her hand and start pulling her.

"*Arre baba*, let me switch off the lights."



Finally we are out of the house.

Mother locks the door.

She says, "Why are you so impatient,
my Raja?"

I like it when she calls me 'my Raja.'

Now my mother is walking with me.

I like that!!



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