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The Thief Of Shawls



In the rural region of Lucknow there thrives a weaving community. Rehan's family was one among them. Rehan belonged to an honest and gentle family. He learned weaving from his ancestors who used to weave beautiful shawls, carpets, blankets and several exquisite stuffs for the early royal

Nawabs of Lucknow. Rehan's family would weave beautiful shawls, blankets, scarf and other amazing stuffs to make a living.

Suddenly the weaver's community was struck with a strange problem. They discovered several beautiful shawls woven for the upcoming Ramzan festival went missing overnight. With the festive season approaching, the community was now left worried. Each day one new woven garment went missing from a family. So the entire weaver's community now decided to find out the truth behind the missing shawls.

Rehan had a plot in mind. As per the plot, all the weavers fastened small bells at ends of each shawl. That night the entire group pretended to sleep early. With half closed eyes, Rehan kept a vigil over the shawls. All of a sudden people could hear bells ringing. They could only see a small shadow fleeing with the shawls. Rehan swiftly chased the shadow and could make his way following the rings from bells tied to the shawls. Soon he could catch the thief. People were surprised to discover the thief of shawls. It was a small monkey that was causing all this mischief. Rehan stopped the people from thrashing the monkey. He convinced the people and released the monkey into its natural habitat in the forest.

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Answer the following questions

1. Describe the community and its location mentioned in the above passage.

2. How did Rehan learn to weave?

3. Describe the problem faced by the community?

4. Who was the thief of shawls and how did the people catch him?

5. What did Rehan do with the thief of shawls?

6. What does the word vigil mean?

- a. relax
- b. guard
- c. enjoy
- d. create

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7. Rehan swiftly chased the shadow.

What does the word swift mean?

- a. glad
- b. sad
- c. angry
- d. quick