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The Magical Goblet



Neil sat on the river bank and stared at his reflection on the river's crystal clear surface fighting back his tears. Even at the age of 8, he could not go to school unlike his other friends. The little boy lived in a small rustic house with his younger sister, caring mother and father. Neil's family was poor and his parents did not have enough money to send their children to school.

One evening when Neil was returning home with bamboo stick bundles from the forest, he heard someone crying for help. He found a fragile man on the river bank was trapped in heavy mud. Neil quickly called his father and together they helped the man out. The man appreciated their kindness and gifted Neil with a large shining golden goblet. With joy Neil and his father returned home carrying the new gift. Mother was elated to see the golden goblet.

That night Neil's family had to starve as they had no money to buy food. Tired and hungry Neil stared at the goblet. He thought, "I wish we all could have something to eat". Soon the goblet started filling up with warm, delicious meal. The entire family was surprised and looked at the magical goblet with wide eyes. It was the most sumptuous dinner they ever had in life. Make a wish and the magical goblet presents with every delicious food on earth. Neil's parents opened a small food shop and sell delicious food. They also serve free food to the poor. Neil's family is no longer poor. They lead a joyful life. Neil and his sister now go to school with their other friends.

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Answer the following questions

1. Why was Neil in tears?

2. How do you know that Neil's family is poor?

3. How did Neil get the golden goblet?

4. How did Neil's family discover the golden goblet is magical?

5. What are the two things that prove Neil's family had kindness?

6. What does the word brisk mean?

- a. quick
- b. lazy
- c. enormous
- d. create

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7. Neil's mother was elated to see the golden goblet.

What does the word elated mean?

- a. happy
- b. sad
- c. angry
- d. worry