

Dan had a bad week

Poor Dan had a bad week.



He woke up late on **Monday**. He missed the bus and was late for school.



“Why are you late, Dan?” asked his teacher.

On **Tuesday**, Dan woke up very early so that he would not miss the bus again. Poor Dan left his school bag on the bus. When he came into class, he only had his soccer ball.



“Where is your school bag, Dan?” asked his teacher.



On **Wednesday**, Dan woke up early. “I must not forget my bag today,” he thought. He got

onto the bus. He rode and rode. But Dan was on the wrong bus ...The bus took him to the wrong school.

“Where is Dan today?” asked his teacher.

On **Thursday**, Dan could not find his uniform. “We have swimming on Thursday,” Dan thought. So Dan went to school in his swimming costume.



“Where is your uniform, Dan?” asked his teacher.

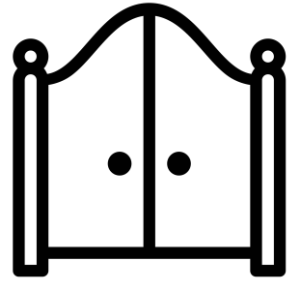
On **Friday**, Dan woke up very early. He had his uniform on, he clutched his bag and he got onto the right bus. He arrived at school so early, it was still dark.



Poor Dan was so tired he fell asleep in class.

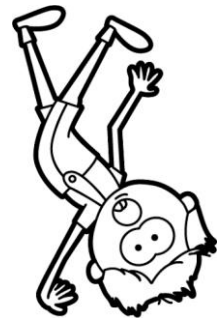
“Why are you sleeping, Dan?” asked his teacher.

On **Saturday**, Dan went to school.
“Today I will get it right” he said, as he
clutched his school bag. But when he
reached his school, the school gate
was locked.



Oh dear Dan! There is no school on Saturdays.

On **Sunday**, Dan went to his cousin's birthday
party. He was so excited he tripped
and fell onto the cake.



“Oh no!” Dan thought. “I hope that next week
will be a better week.”

Read the words as fast as you can:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	week
school	missed	excited	bus
bag	class	teacher	swimming
uniform	cousin	birthday	cake

I. What happened to Dan on each day?
Remember to write in full sentences!

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Saturday	
Sunday	

2. Where did Dan leave his school bag?

3. What did Dan take to school instead?

4. True or False. Dan took the right bus to the right school.

5. Was Dan's teacher worried about him?

6. True or False. Dan came to school on Thursday with his school uniform.

7. Why was Dan tired on Friday?

8. Do you think your teacher will be upset with you if you fall asleep in class?

9. Whose birthday party did Dan attend on Sunday?

10. What happened with the cake?

11. What would you do if someone trip over your birthday cake on your birthday?

A Family Visit

My aunt Mbali was sick, so my mother decided to visit her. I was excited, because I would see my cousin, Dumi.



We packed our things. I bought a present for Dumi and made a get-well card for aunt Mbali.

We were going to stay at my aunt's house for two days. I jumped onto the taxi. I was excited.

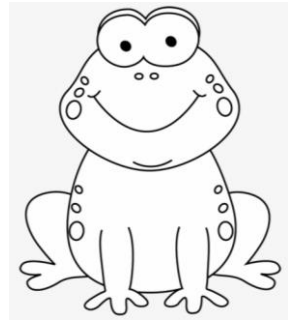
The next day, I was going to play at the river with Dumi and her friends. We were going to pick fresh fruit from the trees.





At last the taxi arrived at Dumi's house. It was already 8 o'clock. I was very glad to see my cousin.

"Hi Dumi!" I called. "Come and see the baby frogs in the river," Dumi shouted. "No, no!" said Dumi's mother, "It's too late. You must both sit and eat. It is nearly bedtime."



For two days, Dumi and I had fun playing and reading. My aunt was much better and we were not so worried about her any longer.

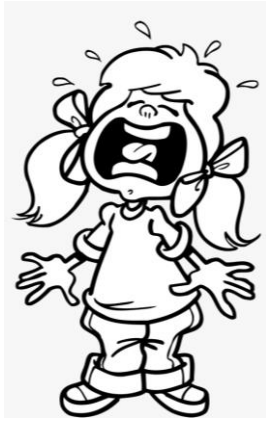


When I was about to leave, Dumi gave me a present. It was a big teddy bear.

Mother and I travelled home by taxi. While we were driving in the taxi, it started to rain.

The sun was gone and it was very cold. My mother wrapped me in a warm blanket.

We ran from the taxi to the house in the rain.



Once safely indoors, I realised that my teddy was missing. I imagined him in the taxi going off somewhere. I started to cry. I wanted to go to the taxi to look for him, but it was dark and rainy.

Later we found the teddy wrapped up in the blanket. He was safe after all.



Read the words as fast as you can:

family	cousin	sick	bed
river	frog	indoors	dark
rainy	teddy	blanket	safe
house	present	fruit	teddy bear
llaying	worried	leave	taxi

1. Who was sick?

2. Who went to visit her?

3. How did they get to aunt Mbali?

4. What is my cousin's name?

5. At what time did they arrive at aunt Mbali?

6. The girl is very excited because they are going to go to the _____ and _____ from the _____.

7. Why can't the girls go down to the river to see the frogs?

8. For _____ days, _____ and I had fun _____ and _____.

9. Dumi gave the girl a present. What was the present?

10. Why was the girl upset on her way home?

11. Where was the teddy bear?

12. Number the sentences as they happened in the story.

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	My aunt was much better and we were not so worried about her any longer
	My aunt Mbali was sick, so my mother decided to visit her.
	Later we found the teddy wrapped up in the blanket.
	Mother and I travelled home by taxi.
	"Come and see the baby frogs in the river," Dumi shouted.

Draw a picture for each of the emotions the girl experienced. Write a sentence where she experienced each emotion.

excited		
upset		
relieved		
cry		

