

## 4. Being Good

*“Goodness brings happiness.”*

Imagine a genie comes to you and tells you to ask for any three wishes. What will you ask for?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

Now read this story about a little girl to know what she asks for from a wishing tree.

### The Wishing Tree

Once upon a time, there lived a girl named Priyanka. She lived in a very poor village. One day when Priyanka was playing near her house she heard some noise. It was coming from the forest. She went to the forest to check what was happening. She saw some woodcutters cutting trees. She went to them and pleaded them to stop. They finally stopped and went away.



As Priyanka started walking back home, she heard a voice. It said, “Child! You saved my life. Ask for any three wishes.” She thought for some time and said, “I have nothing in mind right now.” The wishing tree said, “You think about it and tell me tomorrow. Come with some elders of your village.”

pleaded: requested



Next day, Priyanka went to the wishing tree with some elders of the village. The wishing tree said, "Ask me for your wishes now." She said to the tree, "My first wish is that all the trees which bear fruit in my village should be loaded with fruit so that nobody in my village starves. My second wish is that all the fields in my village must always give good crops. My third wish is that all the rivers in my village should never be

dry." The wishing tree granted all the three wishes. The villagers were very happy. They thanked Priyanka and the wishing tree.

Priyanka was also very happy to see the villagers happy.

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### Question Time

Write **Yes** or **No**.

1. Priyanka heard some noise coming from a forest. \_\_\_\_\_
2. She requested the woodcutters to cut trees. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The wishing tree told her to ask for two wishes. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Priyanka wished everything for her village. \_\_\_\_\_
5. The villagers were very unhappy with her. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Priyanka was a good girl who cared for everyone. \_\_\_\_\_



### Time to Think

We can learn to be good from the lives of great people. Leonardo da Vinci was one such great man. He was born hundreds of years



ago in Italy. He was brilliant in Maths and Science as well as in music and painting. But he was never proud or mean to others. He did not ill-treat any living being. If he saw a bird in a cage, he bought it and set it free. People remember him even today not only for his work, but also for his kindness and goodness.

Find out about any one great Indian personality who we remember for his or her goodness and discuss in class.



### Time for a Reality Check

Leonardo da Vinci was a genius from Italy. Ramanujan was a genius from India. Darwin was a genius from England. Unscramble the letters to get some qualities of a genius.

1. GLIONV

L

2. KINGDRHAROW

H

3. PELLHUF

H

4. RACING

C

5. DINK

K



### Diary Time

Fill in your diary using the given words.

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Today I learnt about how to be a \_\_\_\_\_ person.

Like Priyanka, I will also \_\_\_\_\_ about others and

try to \_\_\_\_\_ them. This will give me \_\_\_\_\_.





## Your Time

What will you do in the given situations? Tick the correct answer.

1. You get a pencil box on your birthday as a gift. Your sister's pencil box is very old and looks untidy. What will you do?

Give your new pencil box to her.

Keep your new pencil box in your cupboard to use later.

2. Some guests have come to stay with you in the holidays. They are going out. There is place for only one more person in the car. You and your brother both want to go with them. What will you do?

Fight with your brother and don't let him go.

Let your brother go. You can go next time with them.



## Put Together

There are many words hidden inside one word just like there are many nice things in a good person. Make a list of the words you can find from the word **HARDWORKING**.

1. kind

2. god

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_