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Who Ate the Diwali Ladoos?



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A Plate of Ladoos

On Diwali morning, Nani made a big plate of round, golden ladoos. She set them on the kitchen windowsill to cool. "Nobody touch them until tonight!" she said. Jai licked his lips.





Some Are Missing!

At lunchtime, Asha looked at the plate. "Some ladoos are missing!" she gasped. Jai grabbed Nani's big magnifying glass. "A ladoo thief!" he cried. "I am a detective now."

Suspect Number One

Jai looked at Laddoo. "Laddoo! Did you eat the ladoos?" Laddoo had a crumb on his nose! Everybody gasped. But Asha laughed. "That crumb is from his dog biscuit, silly!"





Suspect Number Two

Then Asha pointed at Jai. There was a yellow crumb on his t-shirt! "That's from breakfast!" said Jai, very fast. Nani raised one eyebrow. Then everybody laughed again.

A Trail of Crumbs

Then Jai found a real clue. Tiny golden crumbs led across the windowsill, down the wall and over the garden gate. And next to them were small, muddy handprints!





Into the Banyan Wood

Nani pulled on her cardigan. "Let's follow the clues together," she said. The crumbs led them through the gate and all the way to the big old banyan tree.

Chiku!

Up in the branches sat Chiku the monkey, with the ladoos in his arms! "I'm sorry," said Chiku. "The forest has no sweets for Diwali. I wanted to share them with my family."





Ask First

Nani smiled kindly. "Sharing is lovely, Chiku. But next time, please ask first. And ladoos are people sweets. They can give monkeys a tummy ache."

Monkey Sweets

So Nani fetched a basket of bananas, guavas and juicy oranges. She set it down by the tree. "Here are monkey sweets," she said. Chiku gave back the ladoos, and his whole family munched happily.





Case Closed

That night, the family shared the ladoos with Mei's family next door. "Case closed!" said Jai. "The thief was a sharer." "A sharer who forgot to ask," said Asha. And Laddoo got a dog biscuit, of course.

THE END

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