



# A Kulfi for Free!

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Level 2

Tick tick tock, Bhanwari stares at the clock.  
She drills the ceiling with her eyes,  
'a-thomp thomp thomp' her feet cry.  
Kulfi kaaka is late today!





Trunn trunn trunn, the street calls out.  
Bhanwari runs with her little pouch.





“How many would you like today, child?”  
Kulfi kaaka has a gentle tone.



“Mummy and Papa will have a kulfi each,  
Babloo too will have one.”

She works the math on her fingers,  
She’s quick and lean.



“Two plus one make three.  
Three times five is fifteen.”

“Naani will lie and say, ‘No kulfi for me today’,  
But naani becomes a thief at night,  
Licks one with full delight.”  
Kaaka asks, “So how many kulfis does that make?”





She thinks some more.  
“Three and one make it four.  
Five times four is twenty!”



“But what about YOU?” Kaaka laughs.  
“I forgot about me! I need a kulfi too!  
Here, the price of five will be twenty five.”







Just then, a spying crow in the summer heat,  
flies away with Bhanwari's treat!

“I only had those twenty five bucks,”  
Bhanwari is crushed.





Kaaka says, "Here, take this.  
A kulfi for free."  
This lights her up, our dear Bhanwari.





Trunn trunn trunn, then off he goes.  
Children await their kulfi dose.



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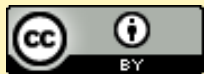


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(English)

Childhood, hot summers and narrow lanes of Northern India have a unique connection and that is of mouth watering kulfi! Enjoy a cool kulfi with Bhanwari who is just about to buy one.

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