



# Ma! Hurry Up!!

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Level 2





I wake up in the morning.  
I rub my eyes.  
I cannot see my mother.  
“Ma! Ma! Hurry up!!”





Ma is busy.  
She says, "Good  
morning.  
Get up! Go wash  
your face."





I wash my hands  
and face.  
I have a bath in a  
hurry.  
I want to go soon.  
"Ma, hurry up."





"Yes! I am coming,"  
Ma says to me.  
"I have to boil the  
milk, then I will  
come."





I comb my hair and  
button my shirt.  
Now I am ready.  
"Ma, hurry up."





Ma gives Didi her clothes. She helps Didi get ready. There is so much work in the morning. But I am in a hurry.





"Ma, I am getting late." I pick up my water bottle and school bag. I wear my chappals. "Come on let us go. Ma, hurry up."





"Yes! I am coming.  
Let me comb your  
sister's hair.  
I need five minutes  
more and  
then we can go."





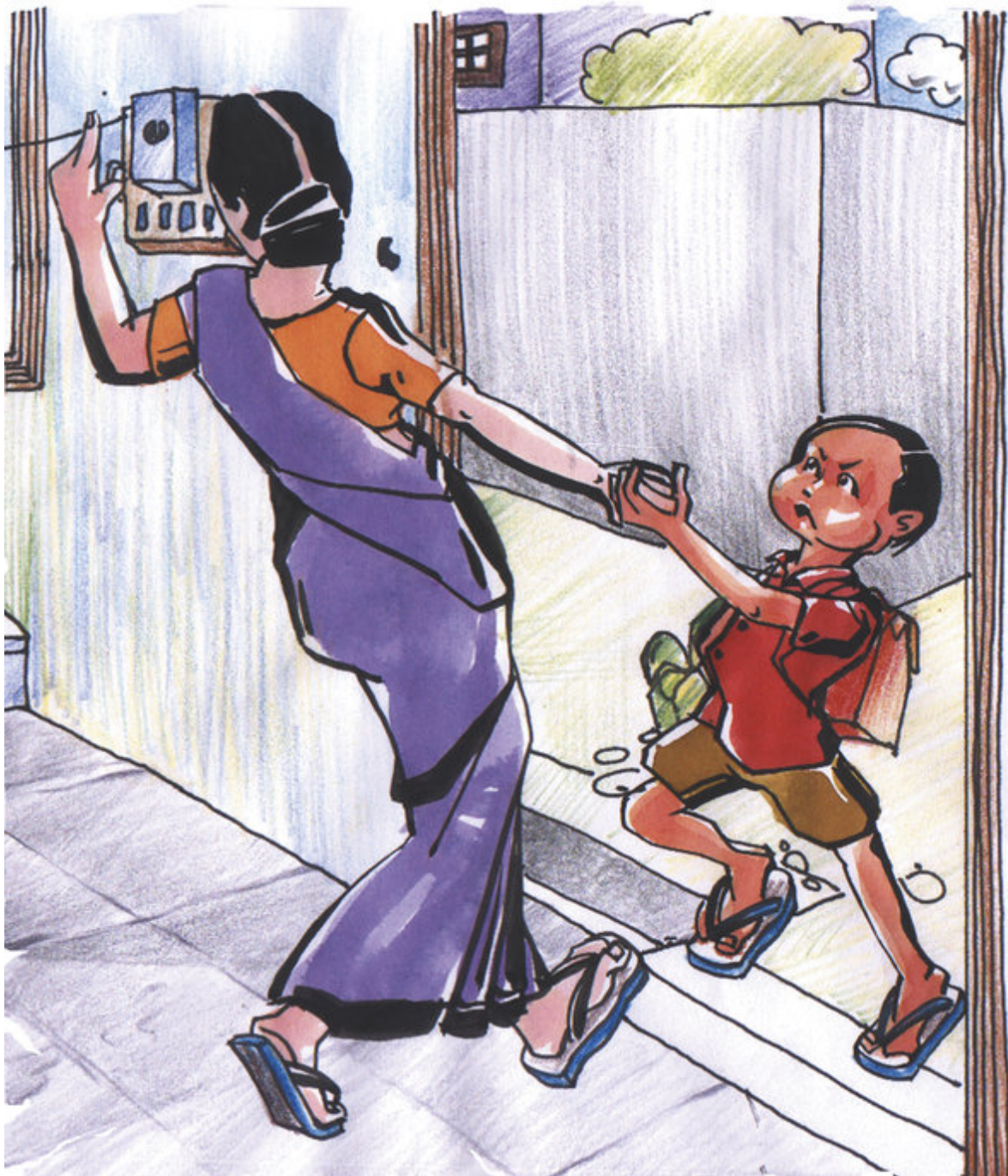
I want to go now.  
I do not want to  
wait.  
I feel like crying.  
Didi has gone to  
school  
and I am still here.





"I am almost done.  
I only have to fill  
water."  
She always has  
something to do.  
"Ma, please, please,  
hurry up."





"I am going. You better come with me."

I hold her hand and start pulling her.

"Arre baba, let me switch off the lights."



Finally we are out of the house.  
Mother locks the door.  
She says, “Why are you so impatient,  
my Raja?”  
I like it when she calls me ‘my Raja’.  
Now my mother is walking with me.  
I like that!!



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(English)

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