“Meera, I went to your school today!” Amma said one day.

“Really?” Meera said.

“And the gate was wide open, and the watchman was missing!”

“Oh! He was in our classroom, to see why our teacher had screamed!”

“And why did your teacher scream?” Amma asked. “Because Rohan began crying!”
“And why did Rohan cry?” Amma wanted to know.

“Because the snake he had brought back from the zoo had eaten his mouse! And then the teacher screamed and the watchman came running!”

“But I went to your classroom, and there was nobody there!” said Amma.
"We were all hiding in the Staff Room," Meera said. "Because Rohan’s snake was in our classroom!"

“But Meera, when I went to the Staff Room, I didn’t see anyone there!”
“That is because we had all run away to the Principal’s Room,” Meera said.
“Because Rohan said the snake was following us!”
“But when I went to the Principal’s Room, it was empty!” Amma said.
“We couldn’t stay there,” Meera said, “because Rohan’s snake was looking for him. We climbed up to the terrace and stayed there till the bell rang!”

“And I waited and waited in your school, all alone!” Amma said.
“Not all alone, Amma, you had the snake for company!”
“The snake!” Amma said, sitting down with a thump on a chair.
Story Attribution:
This story: When Amma Went to School is written by Nandini Nayar, © Pratham Books, 2013. Some rights reserved. Released under CC BY 4.0 license.

Other Credits:
This book has been published on StoryWeaver by Pratham Books. The development of the print version of this book has been supported by Parag (Promoting Innovative Publishing in Education), a Sir Ratan Tata Initiative. Pratham Books is a not-for-profit organization that publishes books in multiple Indian languages to promote reading among children. www.prathambooks.org

Images Attributions:

Disclaimer: https://www.storyweaver.org.in/terms_and_conditions
When Amma Went to School
(English)

Meera’s mother went to her school one day but everyone was missing - Meera, her friends, the teachers, even the Principal. Where had they all disappeared?

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.

Pratham Books goes digital to weave a whole new chapter in the realm of multilingual children's stories. Knitting together children, authors, illustrators and publishers. Folding in teachers, and translators. To create a rich fabric of openly licensed multilingual stories for the children of India and the world. Our unique online platform, StoryWeaver, is a playground where children, parents, teachers and librarians can get creative. Come, start weaving today, and help us get a book in every child's hand!