

# AN ACT OF KINDNESS

Warm up

Look at this picture



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What is the man doing?  
Is he being kind to the dogs?  
Do you believe in being kind?

Here are some ways in which you can be kind.

*Sassy Mama*

## 10 Ways Kids Can Be Kind

Ask a new friend if they want to play	Write a compliment note to someone 
Teach your sibling something new	Ask mum or dad if you can help set the table or tidy a room 
 Share a toy or book with a friend	 Give your mum or dad an extra hug
Compliment the cook on the food  YUM!	Make a thank you card for your teacher 
Pick up litter in your neighbourhood	Hold the door open for someone
<b>BONUS!</b> Smile at someone who needs cheering up 	



## Vocabulary

approached: came closer

weary: tired

impressed: make someone admire or respect you;  
to make a person understand the importance of  
something; leave a deep effect on somebody's mind  
humbly: in a way that is not proud  
essential: necessary  
generosity: the quality of giving more than expected  
or necessary  
charitable: relating to giving money or donations to  
those in need  
profound: deep  
touched: in this context, feeling happy or grateful  
because of something kind that someone has done;  
understanding someone's difficulty  
acknowledged: to accept that something is true  
selfless: thinking about other's needs rather than  
your own  
earning their bread: to earn the money that they  
need so that they can pay for food, clothes, and  
other ordinary needs.

## **A Kind Act of Giving Water**

Once upon a time, a man was travelling with his  
horses. He looked around him as his horses trotted

on. He was in search of water. The horses were very tired and thirsty. As they approached a small hut a little away from a village, the man hoped he would find some water for his horses. A boy of around ten or twelve years old was sitting outside the hut. He noticed the weary horses and the worried look on the man's face.

Quickly realizing the situation, the boy fetched a jug of water from his hut and waited on the road for the cart to arrive. The man stopped his cart and asked the boy what he wanted. The boy replied, "I don't want anything, I just want to give water to your horses," and he offered water to the horses with care and kindness.

Impressed by the boy's selfless act, the man wanted to give him silver coins as a reward. However, the boy humbly refused, explaining that though they were poor, his mother worked hard to provide for them both. They believed in earning their bread. His mother had taught him that helping others in need was a way of serving God.

The boy told the man that they had to draw water from a well and use it wisely. He believed that helping thirsty beings was a way of doing God's work and his duty, without expecting any payment in return.

The man was touched by the boy's kindness and generosity. He acknowledged the importance of selfless charity and was inspired to do good deeds as well.

By witnessing the boy's act of kindness, the man learned the true meaning of charity, which is helping others without expecting anything in return. He understood that even a simple act of giving water could have a profound impact on someone's life.

- A. Choose the most appropriate option.
1. What was the man looking for?
    - a. He was looking for a boy.
    - b. He was looking for a village.
    - c. He was looking for water.
    - d. He was looking for a hut.

2. What motivated the boy to offer water to the tired horses without expecting anything in return?
  - a. He wanted silver coins as a reward.
  - b. He wanted to impress the man with his kindness.
  - c. He believed in helping others in need as a way of serving God.
3. He wanted the horses to pull the cart faster. Why did the boy position himself on the road?
  - a. he wanted to look at the horses.
  - b. he was afraid of missing the horses.
  - c. he wanted to ride the horses.
  - d. he wanted to give water to the horses.
4. Why did the boy refuse the silver coins offered by the man as a reward?
  - a. He did not like silver coins.
  - b. He wanted more money.
  - c. He believed in helping others without expecting payment.
  - d. He was afraid of the man.
5. What did the boy's mother teach him about helping others in need?

- a. It is unnecessary to help others.
- b. It is a way of serving God.
- c. Only help if they can repay you.
- d. Ignore those in need.

B. Answer in your own words

1. How did the boy explain his refusal to accept silver coins from the man?
2. Why did the man think the boy wanted something from him?
3. What lesson did the man learn from the boy's act of kindness?
4. What did the boy say about the importance of giving water to the horses?

C. Think and answer

1. Think of two different ways the man could have repaid the boy? Hint: work/education

D. Choose the correct word to complete the sentence.

1. We are (looking for/finding) water.
2. This is (their/there) book.

3. I will cut the fruit (by/with a knife).
4. The (affect/effect) of the rain was that the plants began to revive.
5. What will be the (affect/effect) of the new policy?

E. Use words from “Vocabulary” to complete the sentences.

1. The story had a \_\_\_\_\_ effect on the children.
2. As the holidays \_\_\_\_\_ the excitement amongst the students grew.
3. I am \_\_\_\_\_ by your organisational skills.
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ beg you to forgive me.
5. Prabjot’s \_\_\_\_\_ that made her donate so much for the good cause.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ boy laid down his head to rest awhile.
7. Take care of the \_\_\_\_\_ things, the rest will take care of itself.



8. Many \_\_\_\_\_ organisations accept both small and large donations.

F. Use words from 'Vocabulary' to make sentences of your own.