**Reading Comprehension (with answer key): Advanced**

A long time ago, there was a girl named Bella who lived in the village right outside of the city. On the weekends, Bella liked to go to the city to explore the markets and streets and see what new things she could discover. Her mother told her to buy a few things from the market every weekend, but she liked to look around to find things that could be interesting to her. She did not have a lot of money, but she did not need money to be happy. She found joy in seeing the happiness that was felt by other people.

Bella had a twin sister named Diana. Diana looked just like Bella; they were both very beautiful. However, the only difference between them is that Bella was very selfless and generous while Diana was arrogant and stingy. Although their family was poor, Bella always gave money to people who were less fortunate than them. Diana, on the other hand, kept all of her money and belongings to herself; she used all of her money to make herself look prettier and more glamorous despite the fact that her family was poor.

One day, Diana decided to join Bella to go to the city. When they entered the city gates, the twins went separate ways: Bella went along merrily to look for the vegetables that their mother had told her to buy while Diana met an elderly beggar who introduced herself. Bella was so glad to see the happy faces of the people in the marketplace, and once again, she gave some of her money to people who needed it. The people in the marketplace were also glad to see Bella’s friendly face, and they greeted her with a warm welcome. When Bella was gone, the elderly lady told Diana that her name is also Diana. When the young Diana heard this, she was very surprised. The elderly Diana then told the young Diana that when she was young, she wasted all of her time and money trying to impress other people, and she was always arrogant towards others. She never helped people who were in need, and she was very selfish. In the end, she was poor and alone because no one wanted to help her. As she became older and weaker, she became sicker and wrinklier, and fewer and fewer people wanted to see her. Then, the elder Diana said to the young Diana, “I was you.” Shocked, the young Diana said, “you must be lying! That’s not possible!” and upon saying this, she ran to try to find Bella and tell her what happened.

Diana called out to Bella multiple times, but Bella was nowhere to be found. She ran away as fast as she could, and then wham! She ran into Bella, who was carrying bags of groceries. Concerned about Diana, Bella asked her what’s wrong. Diana told Bella about everything that happened, and she took Bella to where the elderly Diana was sitting. Oddly, when they reached the gate, Bella didn’t see anyone sitting there. Diana saw the lady, and she kept pointing at her to tell Bella that she was sitting right there; Bella still couldn’t see the lady. Suddenly, the elder Diana said, “she can’t see me, Diana. Only you can. Her heart is pure and selfless, but yours is the opposite. You have to change your life, or you will be like me when you become old.” Scared, Diana ran out of the city, leaving Bella at the gates. When Bella finally caught up to Diana, they talked about what just happened. Bella could not believe what Diana said; however, from that moment on, Diana decided to change her life. She tried to be as kind as Bella, and she tried her best to give some of her money to others. Soon enough, Diana went to the city every weekend like Bella did, and she greeted everyone with a genuine smile. People in the city began to love her as much as they loved Bella, and the two were known as the “giving sisters” because of their generosity. Diana no longer needed money to be happy, for she could now also find joy in the happiness that other people felt.

The twins grew and lived to be very old, but they both lived happy, fulfilling lives. Diana never saw the old beggar lady again, but she told the story to her children and grandchildren, who told them to their grandchildren and so on. For centuries, her story became more and more famous in the village that she lived in. Yet, it wasn’t the story that Diana and Bella were remembered for; they were remembered for their kindness and selflessness, which had a tremendous impact long after their lifetimes. Every child born in the village from then on would hear the story of how kindness changes lives, and each child would strive to follow the footsteps of the “giving sisters” for hundreds of years to come.

**What happened in the story?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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1. How is Bella’s personality described in the story?
	1. She is arrogant and stingy
	2. She has no friends
	3. She is an old beggar
	4. She is kind and selfless
2. What is Diana’s relationship to Bella?
	1. Bella is her mother
	2. Bella is her twin sister
	3. Bella is her younger sister
	4. Bella is her grandmother
3. How do the people treat Bella when she goes to the city?
	1. They welcome her warmly
	2. The dislike her
	3. They only ask her for money
	4. They give money to her
4. What is Diana’s problem?
	1. She doesn’t have enough money
	2. She is not as pretty as Bella
	3. She is arrogant and selfish
	4. She has no friends
5. Why is Bella always happy when she goes to the city?
	1. Because she buys a lot of things at the market
	2. Because she meets a handsome boy in the city
	3. Because she sees an elderly beggar lady
	4. Because she is happy to see other people’s happy faces
6. Who did Diana meet when she entered the city’s gate?
	1. An old woman who asked her for money
	2. An old woman who had the same name as her
	3. An old woman who sold grocery
	4. An old woman who was rich
7. Why was Diana freaked out?
	1. Because the beggar told Diana that she is Diana in the future
	2. Because the beggar asked Diana for money
	3. Because the beggar chased Diana out of the city gates
	4. Because the beggar looked like Bella
8. Why can’t Bella see the beggar?
	1. Because the beggar is too far away
	2. Because Bella is buying groceries
	3. Because Bella is already selfless and kind
	4. Because Diana is lying about the beggar
9. What did the beggar tell Diana?
	1. That Diana should live in the city
	2. That Diana should be more kind and less arrogant
	3. That Diana should go to the market every weekend
	4. That Diana should be nicer to Bella
10. According to the beggar, what would happen if Diana remains arrogant and stingy?
	1. Diana will be hated by Bella
	2. Diana will become like the beggar
	3. Diana will live in the village forever
	4. Diana will never find money
11. What did Diana do after she went home to the village with Bella?
	1. Diana changed her attitude and becomes more generous
	2. Diana gets angry at the beggar
	3. Diana remains arrogant and selfish
	4. Diana gets jealous of Bella’s kindness and generousness
12. What is the meaning of the nickname “the giving sisters” given to Bella and Diana?
	1. Bella and Diana gave money to the beggar lady
	2. Bella and Diana were friendly to everyone, and they gave money to the poor
	3. Bella and Diana bought a lot of things from the marketplace
	4. Bella and Diana were rich and had a lot of money to give to people
13. Why did the townspeople love Diana as much as they loved Bella?
	1. Because Diana became as beautiful as Bella
	2. Because Diana became richer than Bella
	3. Because Diana became as friendly and generous as Bella
	4. Because Diana became a celebrity in the village
14. What did Diana do when she had children and grandchildren?
	1. She told them not to be arrogant
	2. She told them stories about Bella
	3. She told them the story about the beggar
	4. She told them to give money to the beggar
15. Why were Bella and Diana remembered for hundreds of years after their lifetimes?
	1. Because they were very beautiful
	2. Because they were famous in the village
	3. Because the people in the city wrote stories about the twins
	4. Because the story of their kindness is passed down from generation to generation

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