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**Kajal**



**Butterfly**



**Sophia**



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**One day, Kajal went to the garden.  
There were many butterflies in the garden.**



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**The butterflies were hovering over the flowers.  
They were sucking nectar from the flowers.**



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**Kajal ran after the biggest butterfly.  
It had blue, yellow and red wings.**



**The butterfly flew and sat on a rose.  
Kajal ran after it.**



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**The butterfly flew and sat on a marigold.  
Kajal ran after it.**



**The butterfly flew and sat on a jasmine.  
Kajal ran after it.**



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The butterfly flew and sat on a *Sadabahaar\** flower.  
Kajal ran after it.

\**Sadabahaar* – periwinkle



**The butterfly flew and sat on a sunflower.  
Kajal ran after it.**



**Sophia was also in the garden.  
She had a floral clip on her hair.**



**The flower on the clip was pink in colour.  
Also, there were green leaves under the flower.**



**The butterfly flew and sat on Sophia's hairclip.  
The butterfly thought it was a real flower.**



**After the butterfly flew off, Kaja took Sophia's hairclip. She clipped it on her own hair.**



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**Kajal put on the hairclip and sat there.  
She sat quietly without moving.**



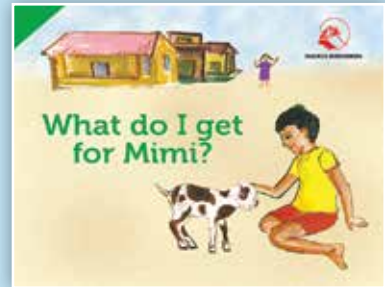
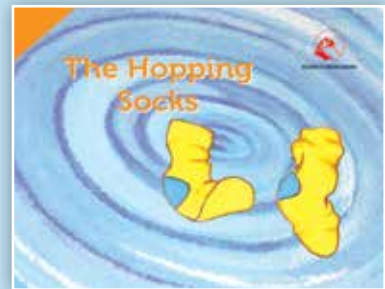
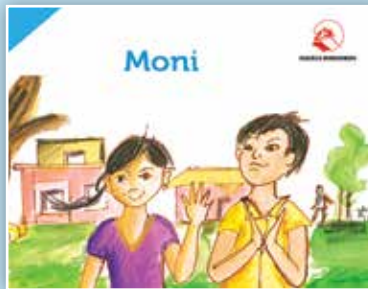
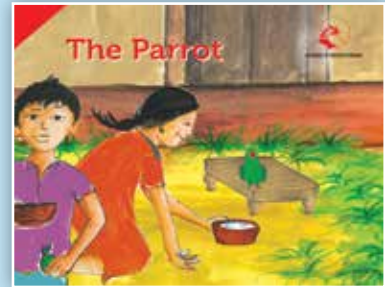
**Kajal waited for the butterfly.  
Kajal kept sitting and waiting.**

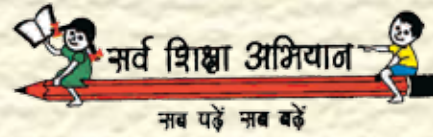


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**Suddenly, many butterflies came near her.  
A butterfly even came and sat on her hairclip.**

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