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Babli



Jeet



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One day Jeet and Babli were playing with a tyre. They had a wide tyre which was thick and black. Both were rolling the tyre with their own sticks.



**Babli said that she rolls the tyre very fast.
The rolling tyre looked so good.
Jeet said he enjoys the swing.**



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**Hearing this, Babli felt like going on the swing.
Jeet also felt like going on the swing.
Together, they started looking for a swing.**



**Both looked for a swing near and far.
But could not find one.
They started thinking what to do.**



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**That ground had many trees.
Branches of a few trees were hanging very low.
An idea struck them!**



**Jeet and Babli started swinging on the branches.
They both enjoyed a lot.
But they could not swing for very long.**



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**Babli's both hands were grazed.
Jeet's palms were burning.
They dusted their hands and sat down.**



**There was a metal pipe fixed on the ground.
Babli noticed the pipe.
She showed the pipe to Jeet.**



**Jeet and Babli ran towards the pipe.
Both started swinging on the pipe.
They both enjoyed a lot.**



**But Jeet and Babli could not swing for long.
Jeet's hands were hurting.
Babli also held her hand and sat down.**



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**Babli came up with another idea.
She said let us make a swing with our tyre.
We will sit and swing on it.**



**Jeet liked this idea.
He said he would hang the tyre on a tree.
Babli said she will hang the tyre.**



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**Babli took the tyre in her hands.
Jeet tried to snatch the tyre from her.
There was a scuffle between the two.**



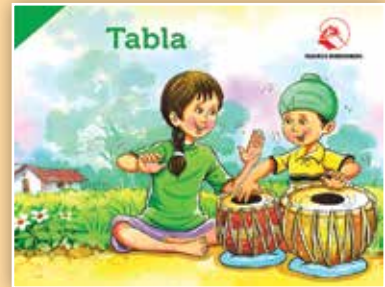
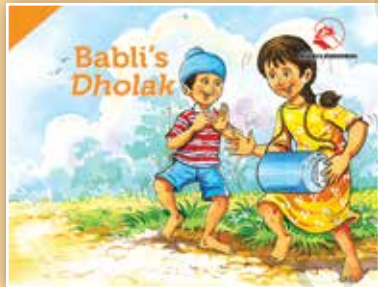
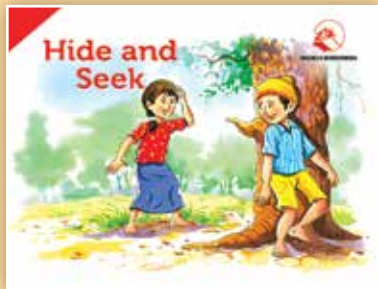
**Babli snatched the tyre and threw it in the air.
The tyre went high in the air.
It got stuck on a branch of a tree.**

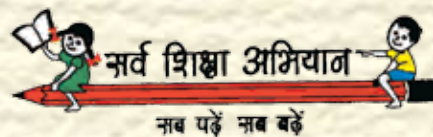


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**Jeet ran towards the tyre.
He jumped and sat on the tyre.
Babli started to gently push Jeet and the tyre.**

Stories of Jeet and Babli





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