

Easy English Stories – Episode 13: *The Mystery of the Shoes*

Target Level: Move 3 and up

Grammar: Using the simple past to ask and answer “Did...?” questions with short answers (“Yes, I did/No, I didn’t”)

Vocabulary: (verbs) woke up, saw, put on, brushed, returned, answered, said, ran

Functions: Asking about something that is lost; understanding a short narrative story

INTRODUCTION

C.S.: Hello, boys and girls! Welcome to Easy English Stories!

C.S.: Today Echo has a new paint brush and some paint.

Echo: I love painting!

C.S.: Yes, I can see that. But, wait! Where is my sandwich? Did you see my sandwich?

Echo: Yes, I did.

C.S.: Was it on the table?

Echo: Yes, it was.

C.S.: Was it on the plate?

Echo: Yes, it was.

C.S.: But it is not here!

Echo: Look behind you!

C.S.: Oh! It's there. But... why is it purple? Echo, did you paint my sandwich?

Echo: Yes! It was boring, but now it is very beautiful!

C.S.: Ah... let's start today's story!

MAIN STORY: The Mystery of the Shoes

C.S.: One Monday morning, Behrad woke up and saw his two shoes on the mat next to the door. He was ready to put them on and go play soccer. After he brushed his teeth, he returned to his room — but the shoes were not there!

C.S.: Behrad ran to his mother. "Did you take my shoes?" he asked.
"No, I didn't," his mother answered.

C.S.: He went to his little brother. "Did you take my shoes?" he said.
"No, I didn't," his brother answered.

C.S.: Then he saw a cat in the yard. "Did you take my shoes?"
The cat said, "Meow," and walked away.

C.S.: Behrad looked under the bed. His shoes were not there.

C.S.: He looked behind the sofa. His shoes were not there, either.

C.S.: Behran felt worried. He went to his father. "Did you see my shoes?" he asked.
His father laughed. "Yes, I saw your shoes. They were next to the washing machine."

C.S.: Behrad ran to the washing machine. His shoes were next to it. They were very dirty. He picked them up and saw a small note. The note said, "**Please wash us. We are very dirty and sad.**"

C.S.: Behrad felt embarrassed. His shoes were very dirty. His father was watching and smiling.

C.S.: Behrad cleaned his shoes in the bathroom. From that day, he always keeps his shoes clean and tidy.

PRACTICE

C.S.: Now, boys and girls, let's practice a little. Please repeat after us.

C.S.: Did you take my shoes?

Echo: Did you take my shoes?

C.S.: Did you see my shoes?

Echo: Did you see my shoes?

C.S.: No, I didn't.

Echo: No, I didn't.

C.S.: Yes, I did.

Echo: Yes, I did.

The cat: Meow!

Echo: Meow!

Q&A + Fun Fact

C.S.: Now, it's question time!

Child 1: Captain Story, what is a watchdog?

C.S.: It's a dog who is always on time.

Child 2: Captain Story, why do some fish live in salt water?

C.S.: Because pepper water can burn their eyes!

Child 3: Captain Story, why do my socks smell bad?

C.S.: Because socks sleep in a wastebasket at night!

C.S.: And now, Echo, do you have a fun fact for us?

Echo: Yes. Did you know dolphins sleep with one eye open?

C.S.: No?! I didn't know that! But, you know, I will sleep with one eye open next time my sandwich is on this table!

C.S.: Now, that's all for today, boys and girls. Drop by next week for another Easy English Story!

Echo: Goodbye!

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