



Saturday was market day. Leela woke up early. She washed her face and hands. The bullock-cart was ready. Yasmeen and her grandmother came to her house. They put their baskets in the bullock-cart. Then they climbed in. Gopal and Seeta did not go with them. They went to school.

It was dark and the stars were in the sky. Yasmeen and Leela slept in the cart. Radhabai and Aminabai slept, too. Leela's father shut his eyes. But the bullocks did not sleep. They walked on and on.

They came to a bridge over a river. They stopped there. Leela's mother took some food from her box and some milk from her pot. They ate the food and drank the milk. The bullocks drank water at the river and ate the grass near the river.

They went on. At last they came to the market. They got down from the bullock cart. Men and women came and talked to them.

Leela's mother sold her tomatoes and Yasmeen's grandmother sold her eggs. Leela's mother bought a new pan, and Yasmeen's grandmother bought some sugar. Leela and Yasmeen played with the children at the market.

In the evening they returned home.

Gopal said, "Did you go in our bullock-cart?"

Leela said, "Yes, we did."

Seeta asked, "Did Yasmeen's grandmother go with you?"

Leela answered, "Yes, she did."

Seeta said, "Did mother sell her tomatoes at the market?"

Leela answered, "Yes, she did. She sold the tomatoes."

"What did you buy at the market?" said Gopal.

"Mother bought a new pan," said Leela.

"Yasmeen's grandmother bought some sugar.

Seeta asked, "Did you buy sweets?"

Leela said, "No, we didn't. We bought bangles."

### Exercise

#### Answer these questions:

- (a) When did Leela wake up on Saturday morning?
- (b) What did Yasmeen and her grandmother put in the bullock-cart?
- (c) What did Leela's mother take from her box?
- (d) What did the bullocks eat?