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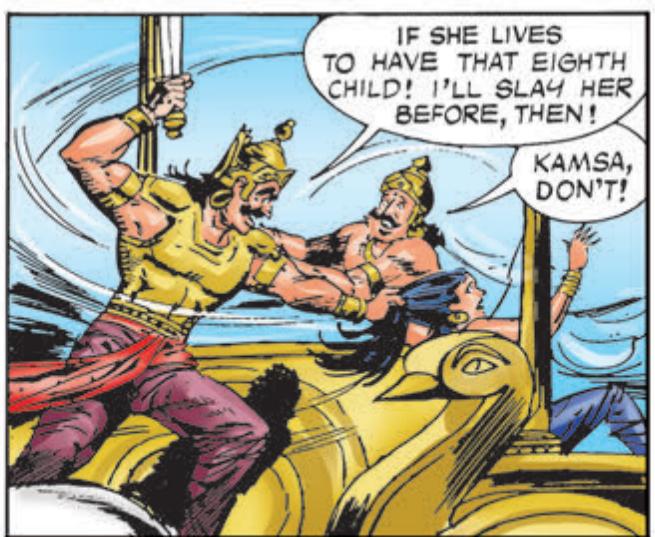
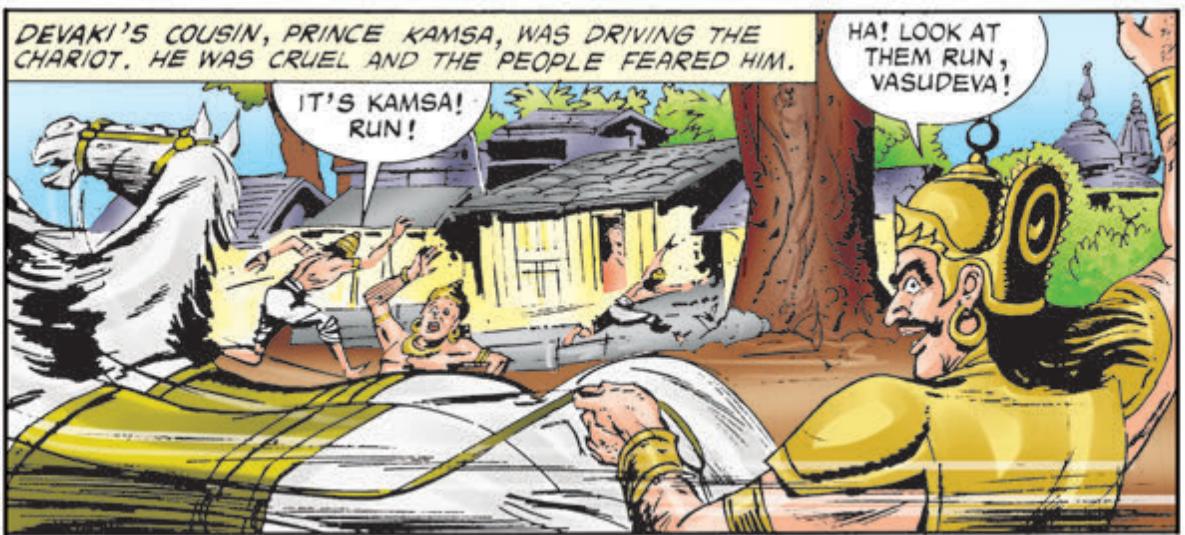
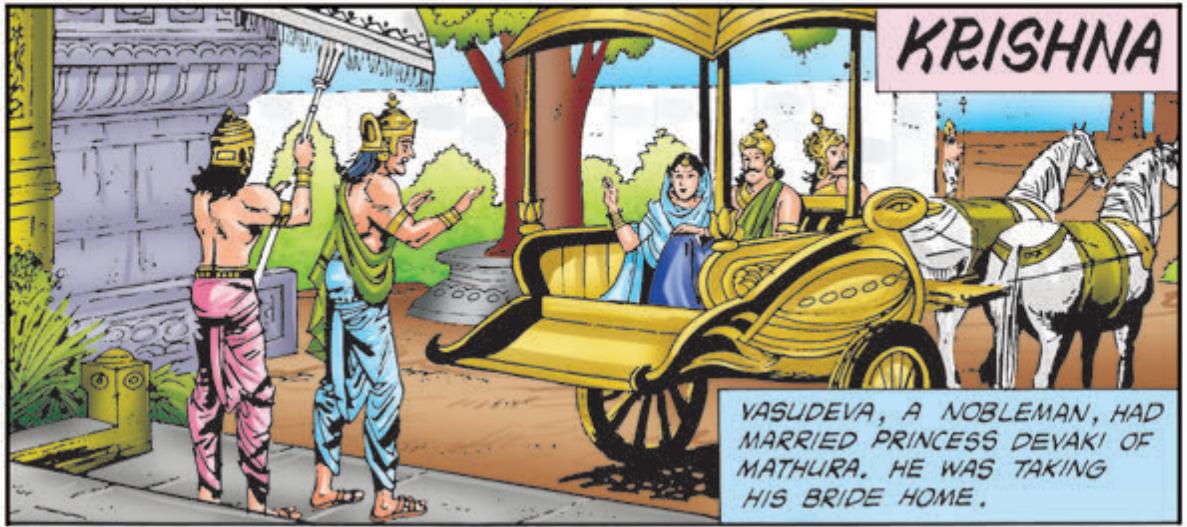
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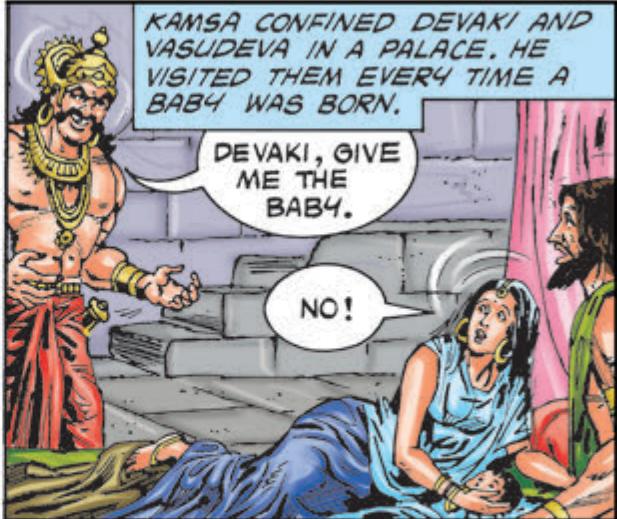
YOUR SISTER HAS DONE YOU NO HARM, KAMSA. AS FOR THE CHILDREN WHO ARE YET TO BE BORN, I SHALL GIVE EACH ONE TO YOU, THE MOMENT IT IS BORN. I PROMISE.

I'LL SPARE DEVAKI, BUT I'LL MAKE SURE THAT YOU KEEP YOUR WORD.

KAMSA CONFINED DEVAKI AND VASUDEVA IN A PALACE. HE VISITED THEM EVERY TIME A BABY WAS BORN.

DEVAKI, GIVE ME THE BABY.

NO!



STOP HIM, MY LORD!

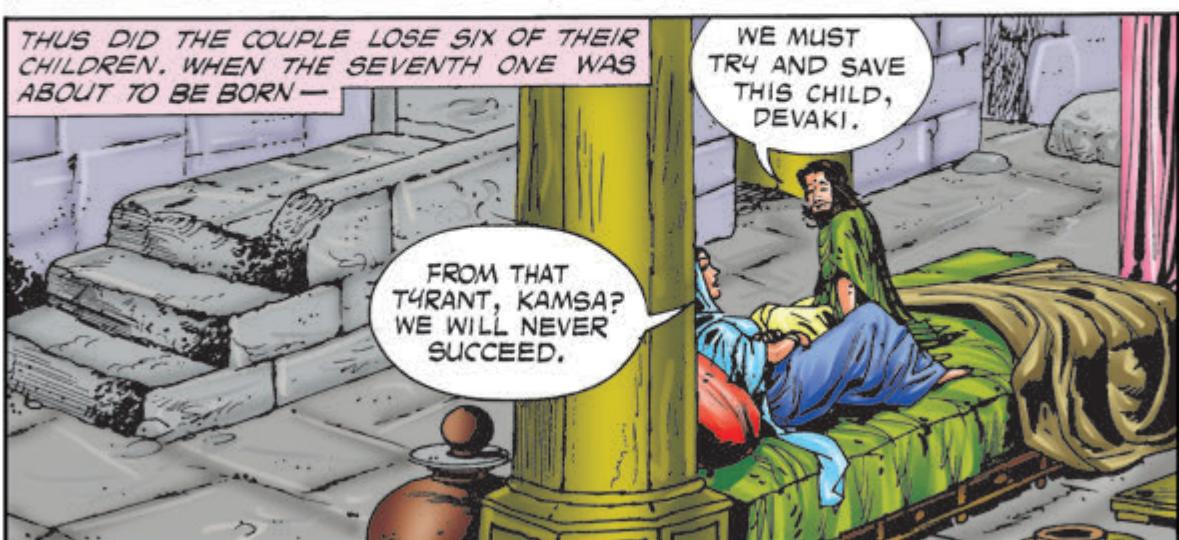
I AM HELPLESS, DEVAKI!

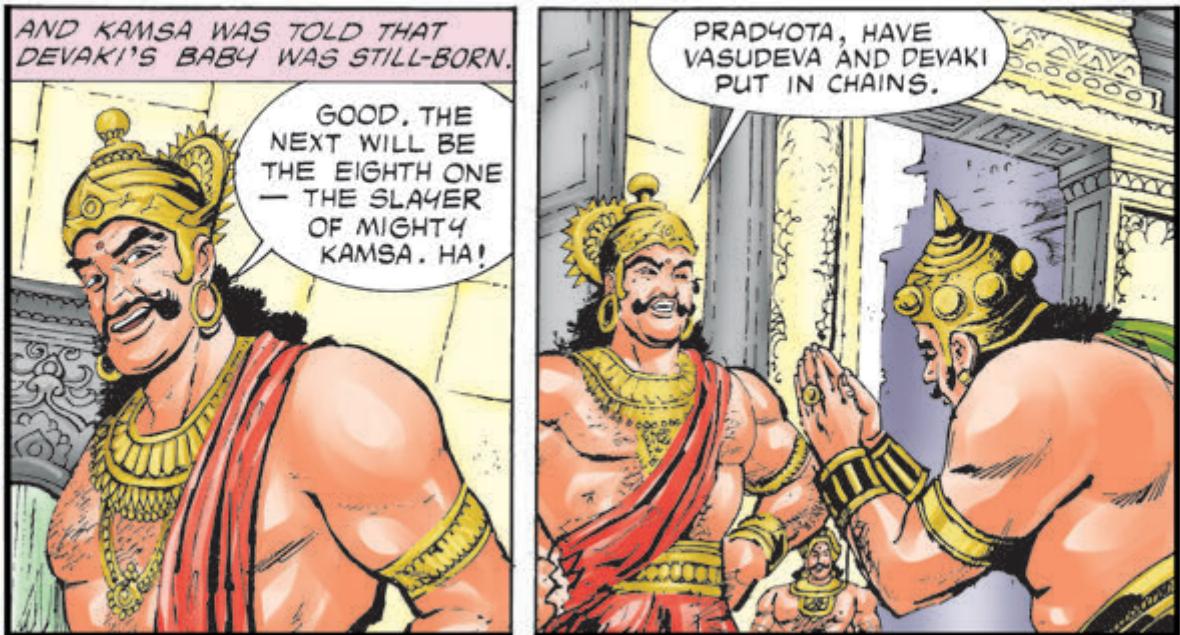


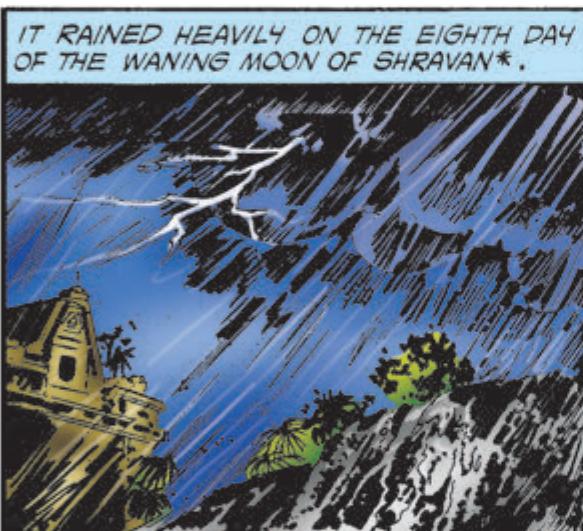
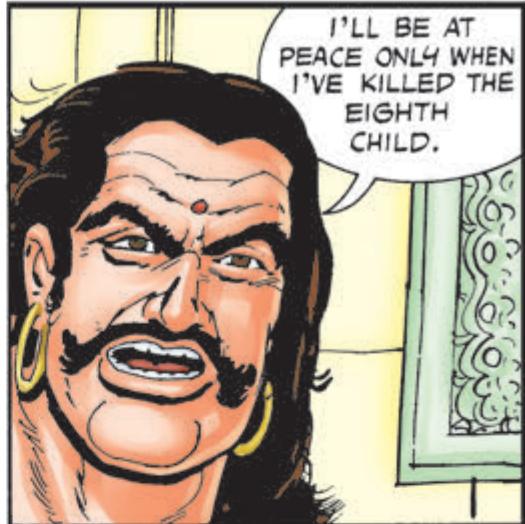
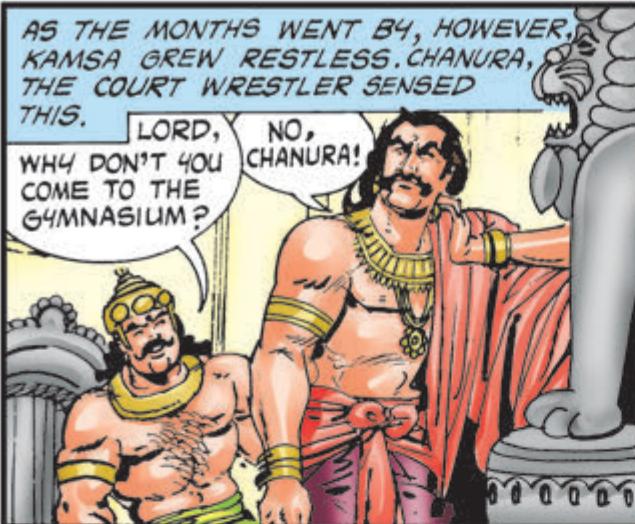
THUS DID THE COUPLE LOSE SIX OF THEIR CHILDREN. WHEN THE SEVENTH ONE WAS ABOUT TO BE BORN —

WE MUST TRY AND SAVE THIS CHILD, DEVAKI.

FROM THAT TYRANT, KAMSA? WE WILL NEVER SUCCEED.

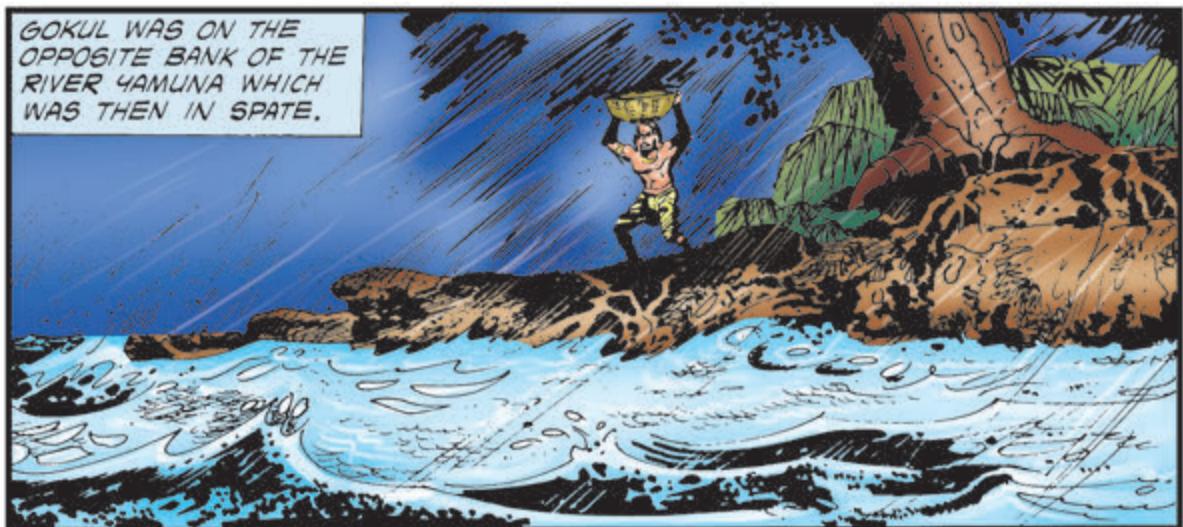




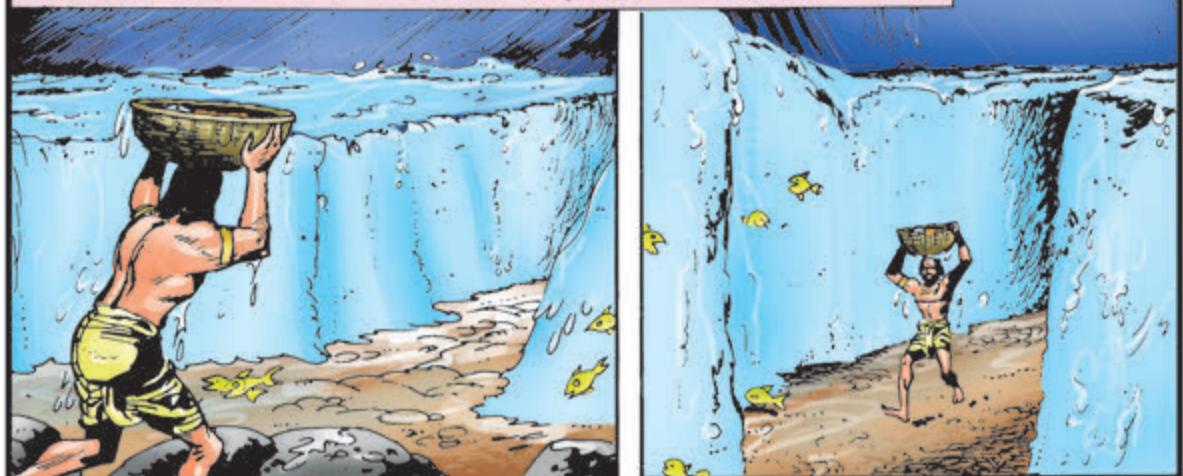




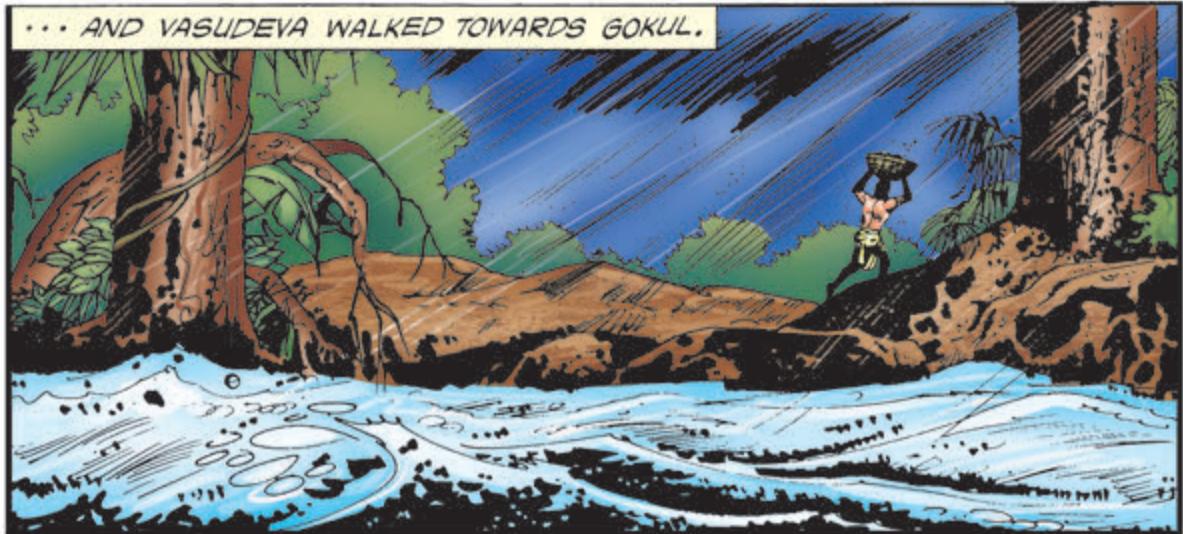
GOKUL WAS ON THE OPPOSITE BANK OF THE RIVER YAMUNA WHICH WAS THEN IN SPATE.

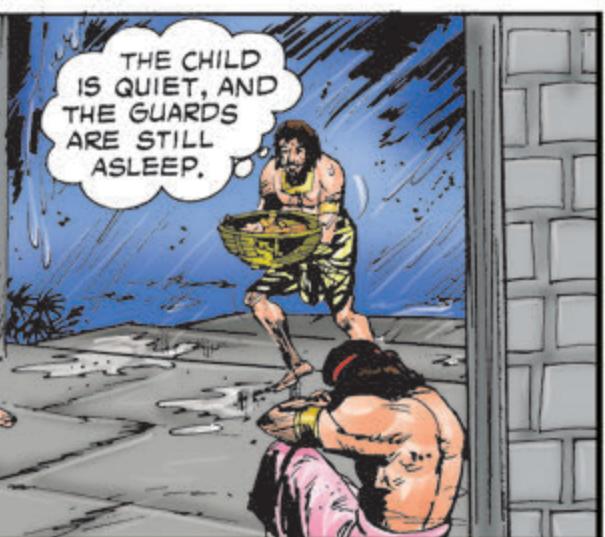
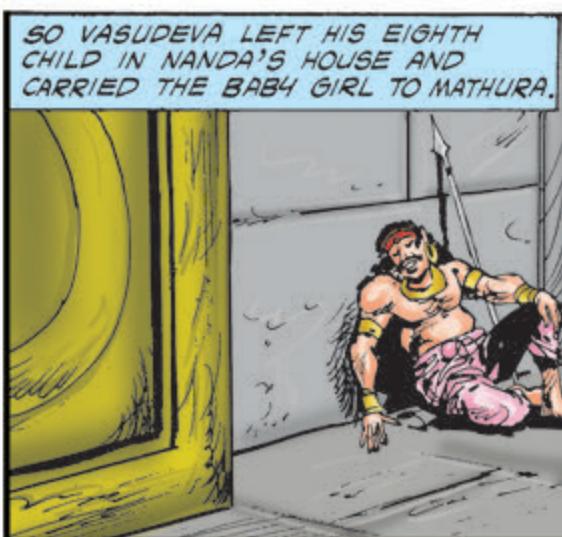
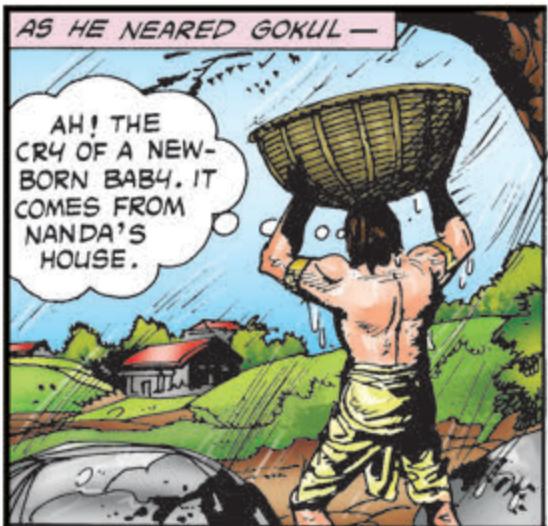


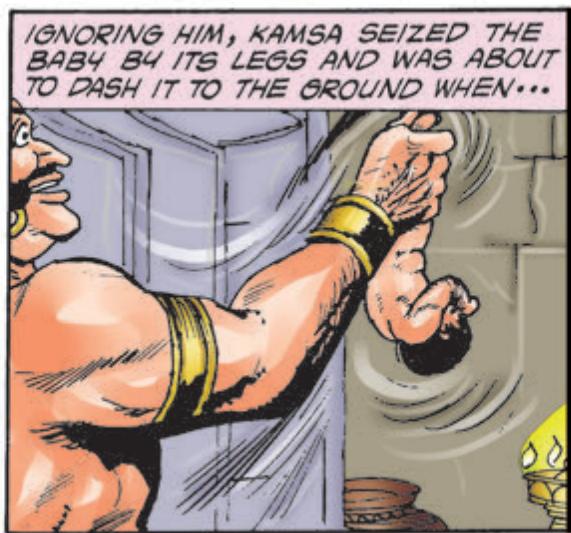
AS VASUDEVA APPROACHED, HOWEVER, THE WATERS PARTED...

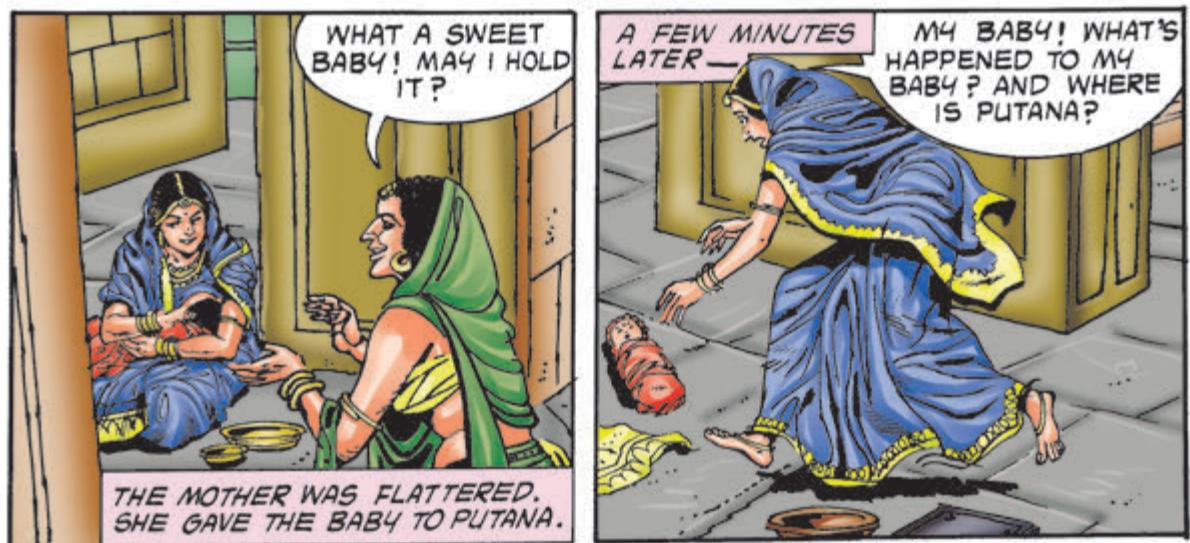
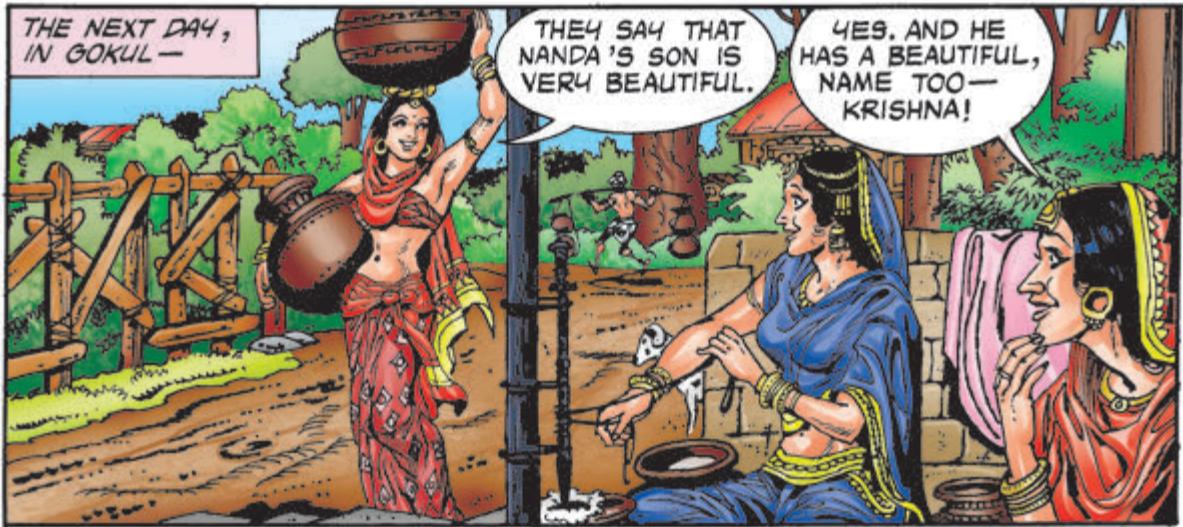


... AND VASUDEVA WALKED TOWARDS GOKUL.









PUTANA HAD MADE HER WAY TO GOKUL!

WHO IS THAT BOY? WHEN WAS HE BORN?

HE IS KRISHNA, THE SON OF NANDA. HE WAS BORN IN THE MONTH OF SHRAVAN.

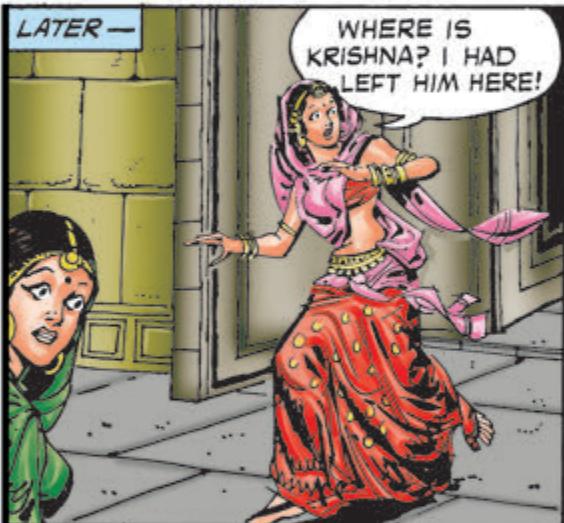


WHEN PUTANA FOUND KRISHNA ALONE —



LATER —

WHERE IS KRISHNA? I HAD LEFT HIM HERE!



OH! HE IS SAFE. BUT... I SAW WHO IS THIS WOMAN? WHY IS SHE LYING HERE? I SAW HER NURSING KRISHNA.



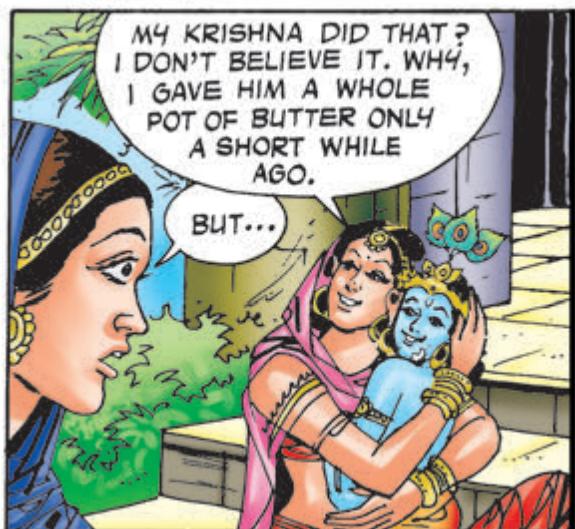
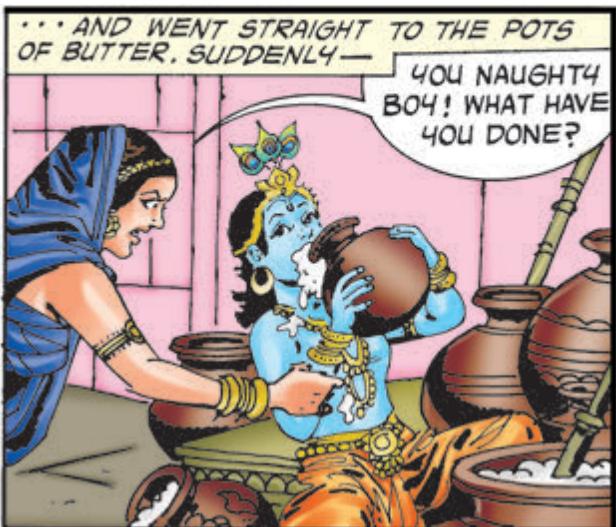
THEN SHE MUST BE PUTANA! PUTANA THE BABY-KILLER. SHE HAS KILLED MANY BABIES IN MATHURA.

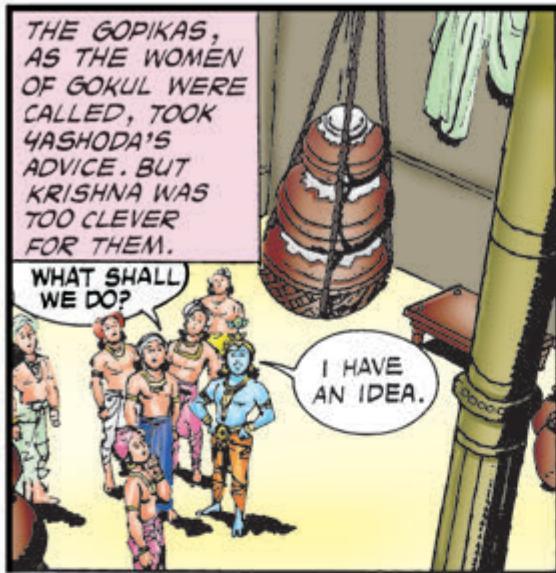
SHE IS DEAD! THE EVIL PUTANA IS DEAD!

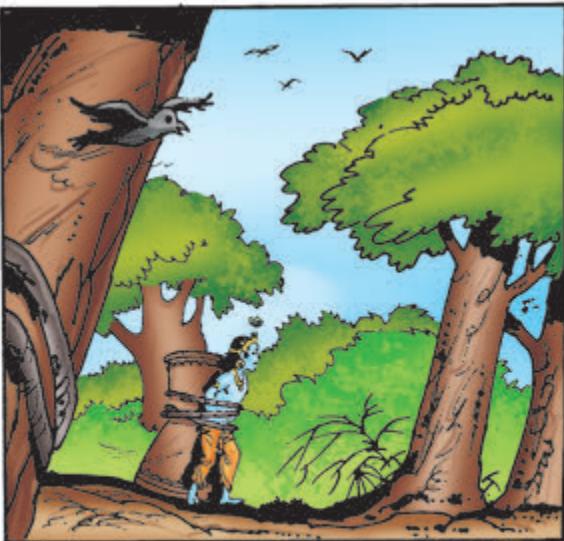
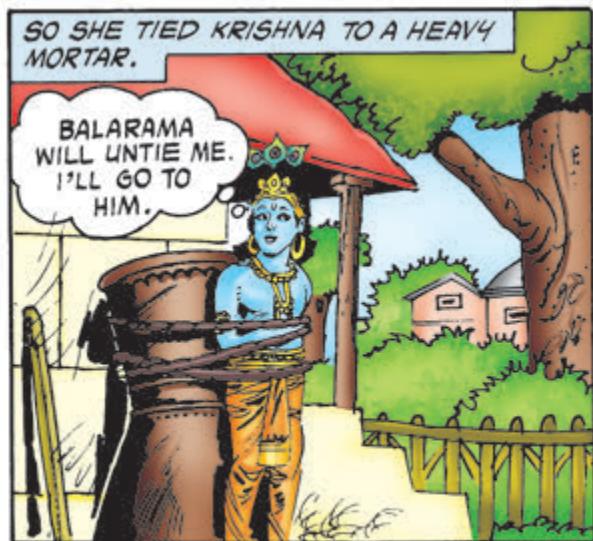
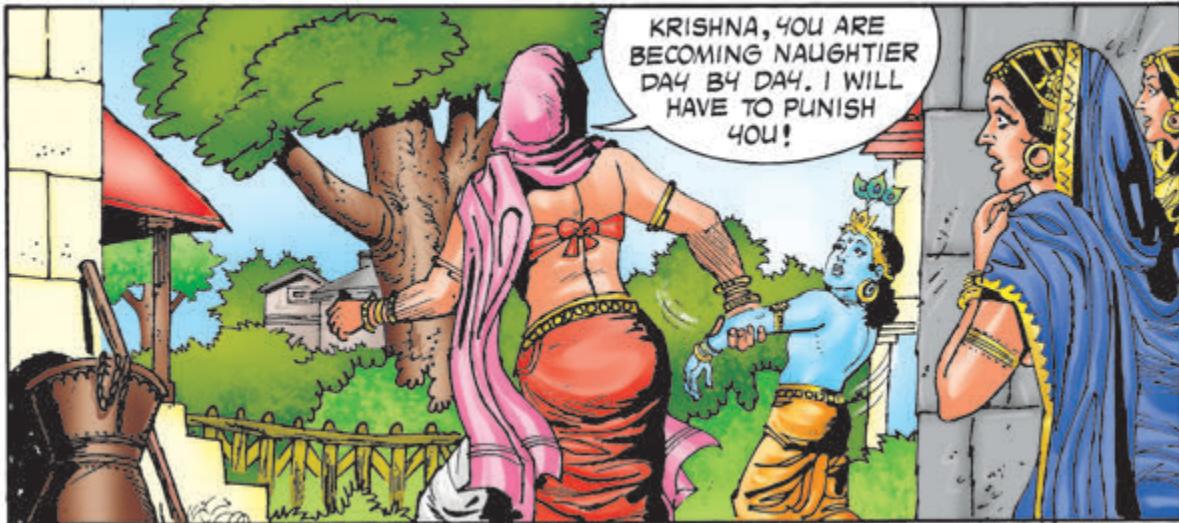


KRISHNA WAS SAFE, AND LIFE IN GOKUL WENT ON AS BEFORE.





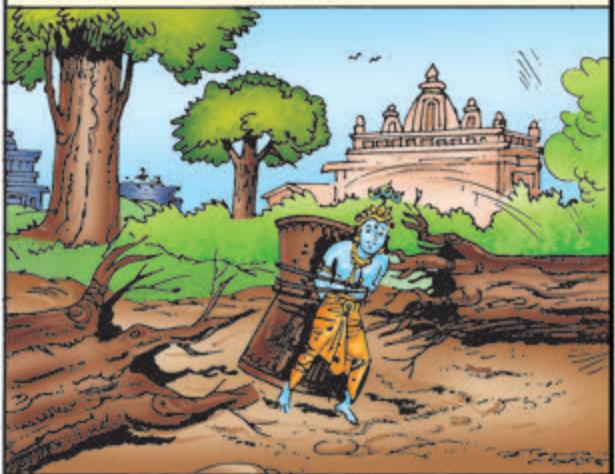




BUT WHILE HE WAS ON HIS WAY
THE MORTAR WAS CAUGHT BETWEEN
TWO TREES.



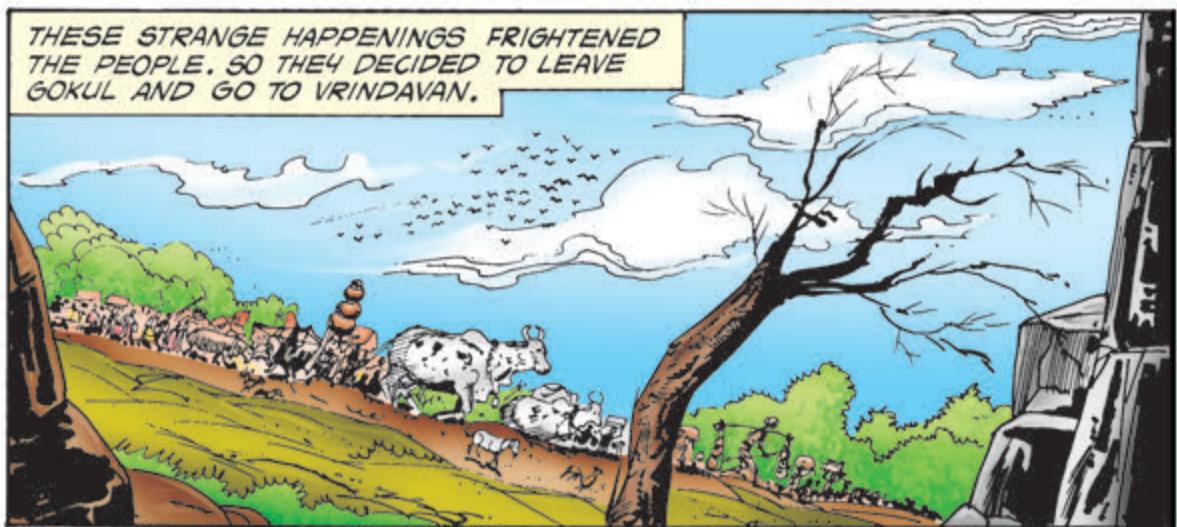
... THE TREES CRASHED TO THE GROUND.



AS THE NEWS SPREAD, A CROWD
GATHERED AT THE SPOT.

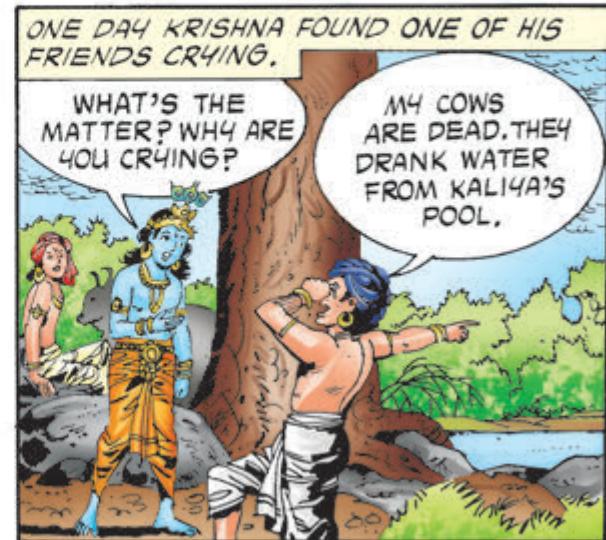
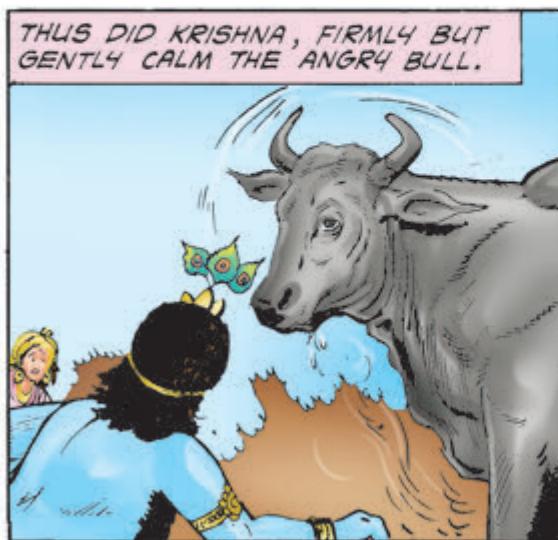
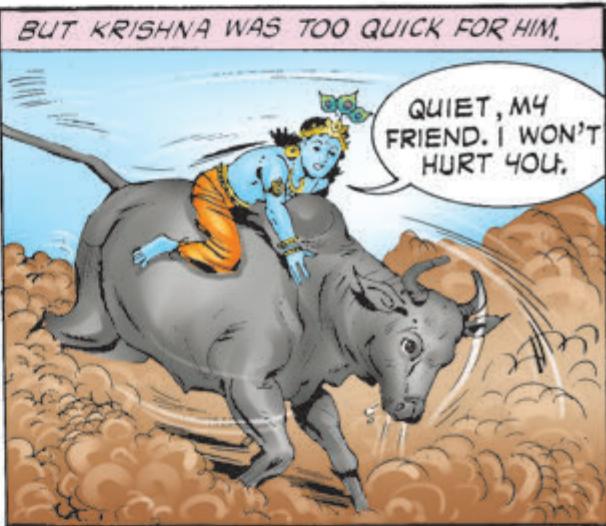
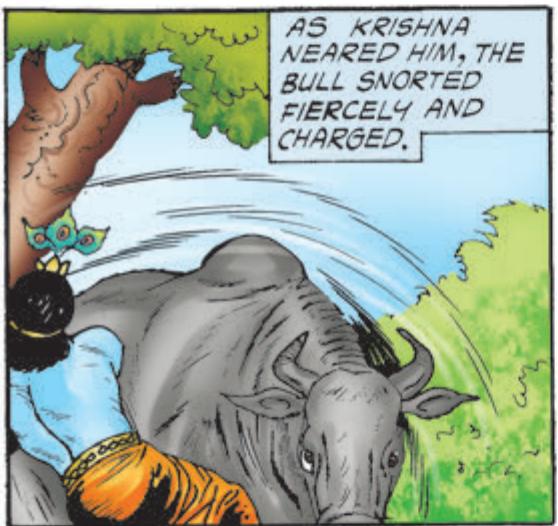


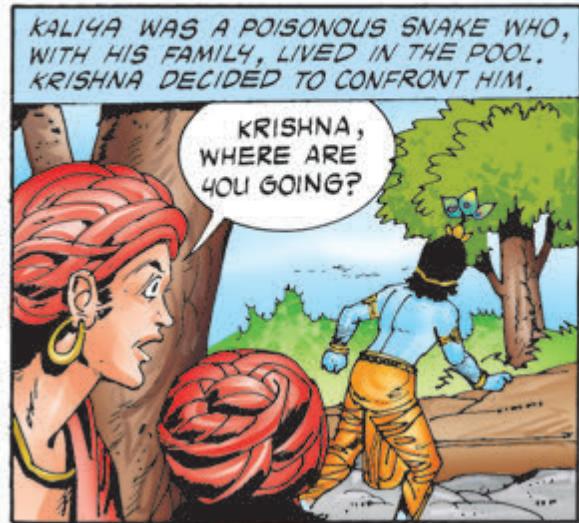
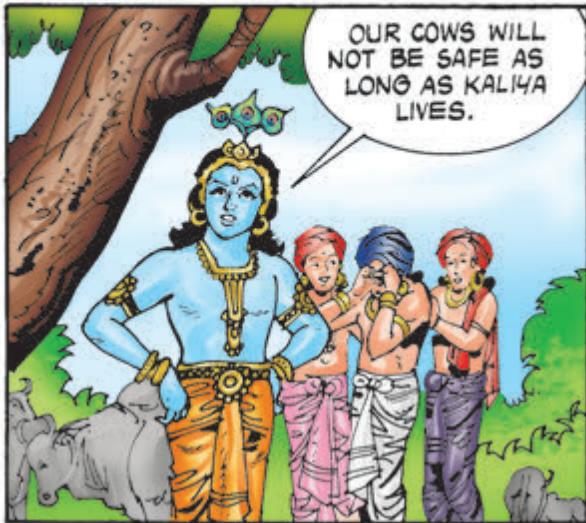
THESE STRANGE HAPPENINGS FRIGHTENED
THE PEOPLE. SO THEY DECIDED TO LEAVE
GOKUL AND GO TO VRINDAVAN.

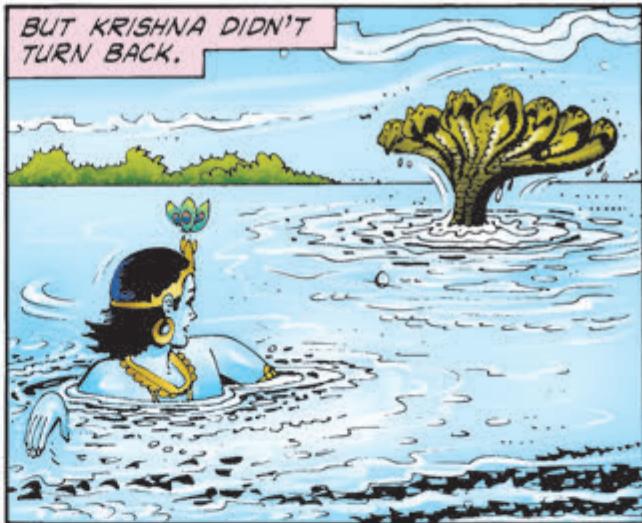
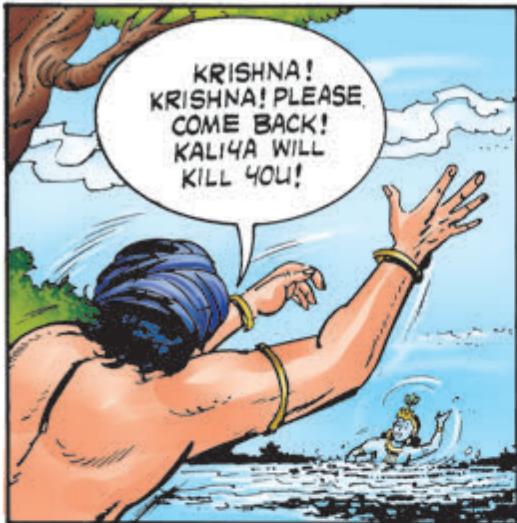


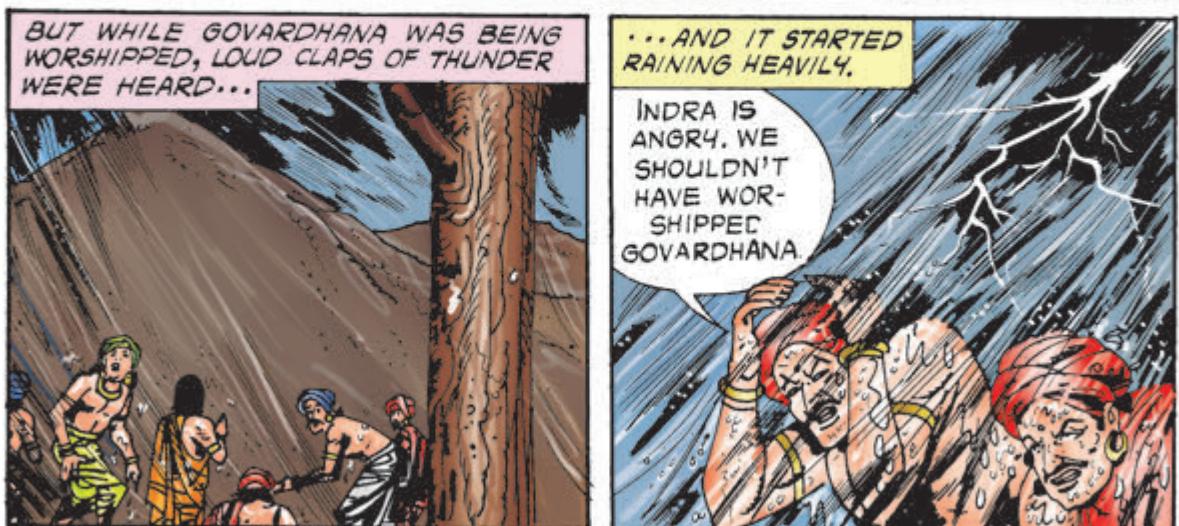
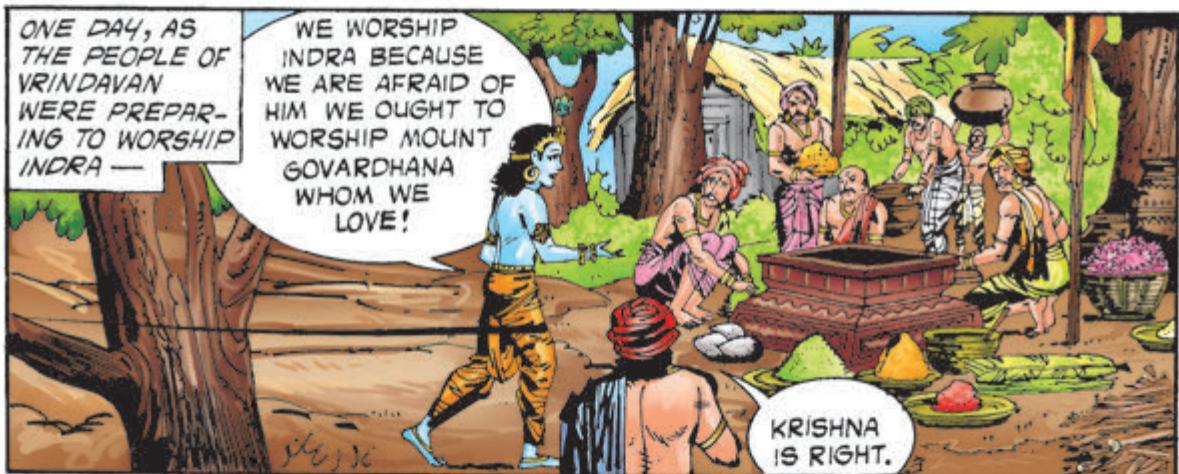
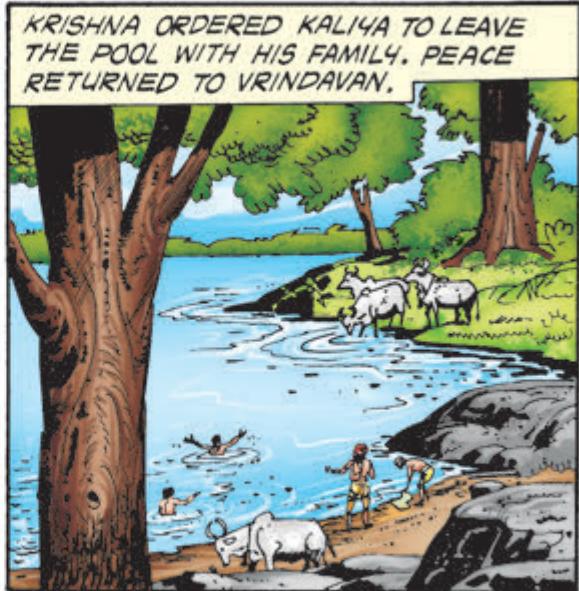
AT VRINDAVAN—**IN THE EVENING—****KRISHNA TOOK UP HIS FLUTE.****THE GOPIKAS STOPPED THEIR CHORES TO LISTEN TO THE MELODIOUS STRAINS OF KRISHNA'S FLUTE.**

ONE DAY—



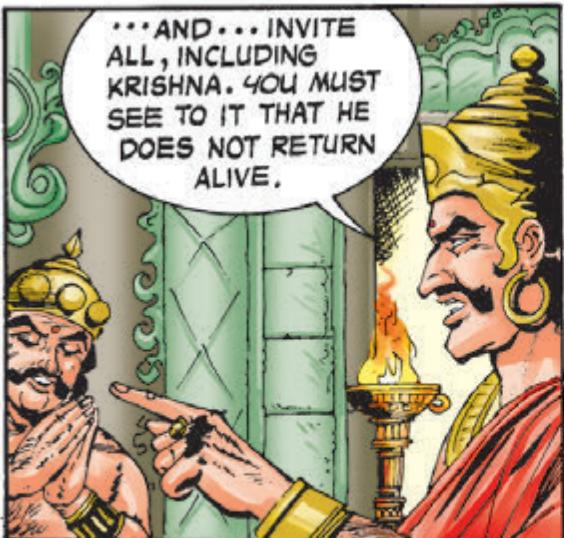
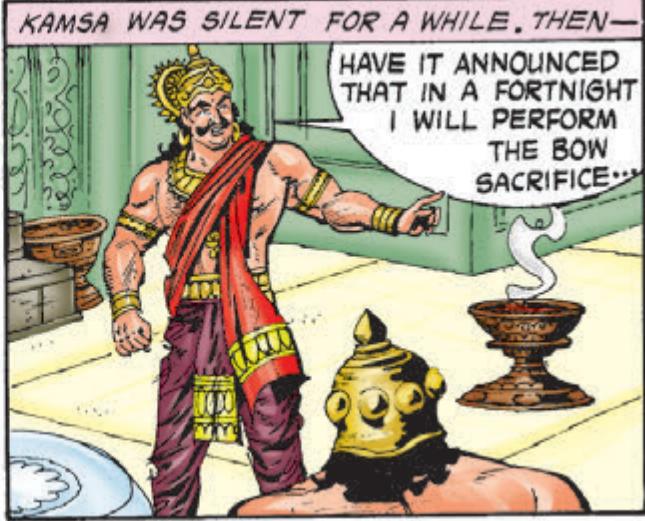
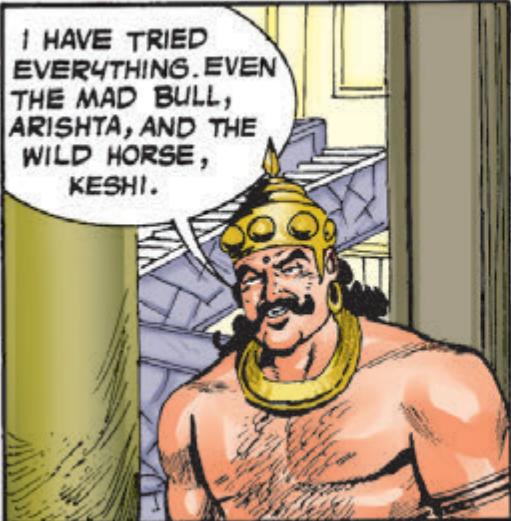
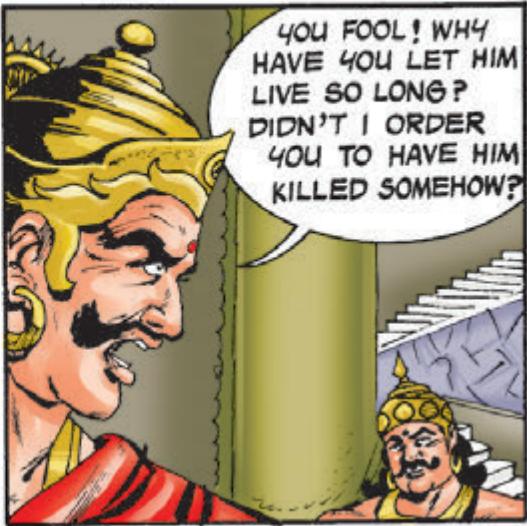


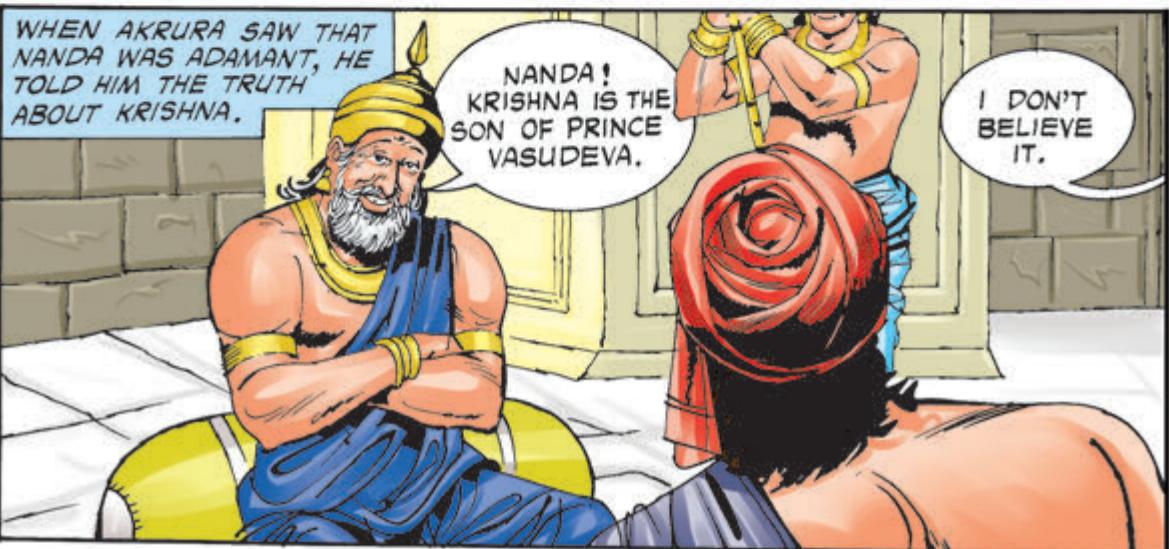
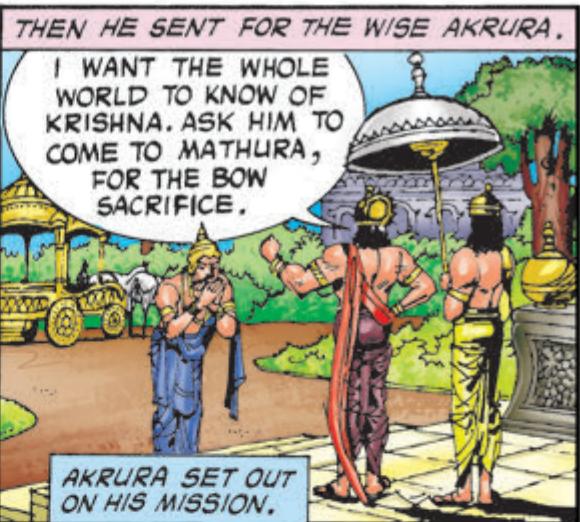
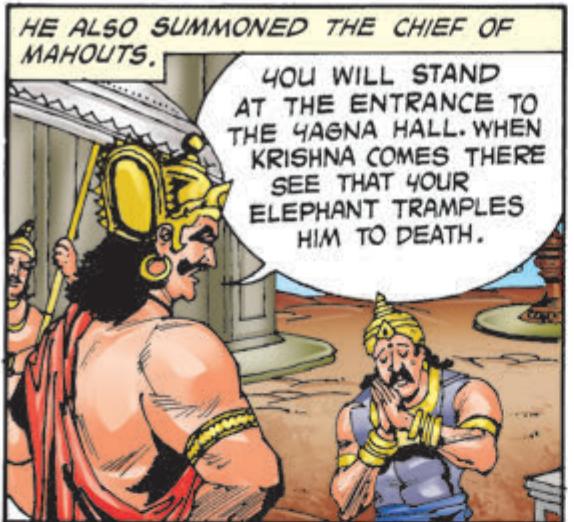






WHEN NEWS OF KRISHNA'S DEEDS REACHED MATHURA—





SO AKRURA NARRATED THE STORY OF KRISHNA'S BIRTH AND HOW HE WAS BROUGHT TO GOKUL.

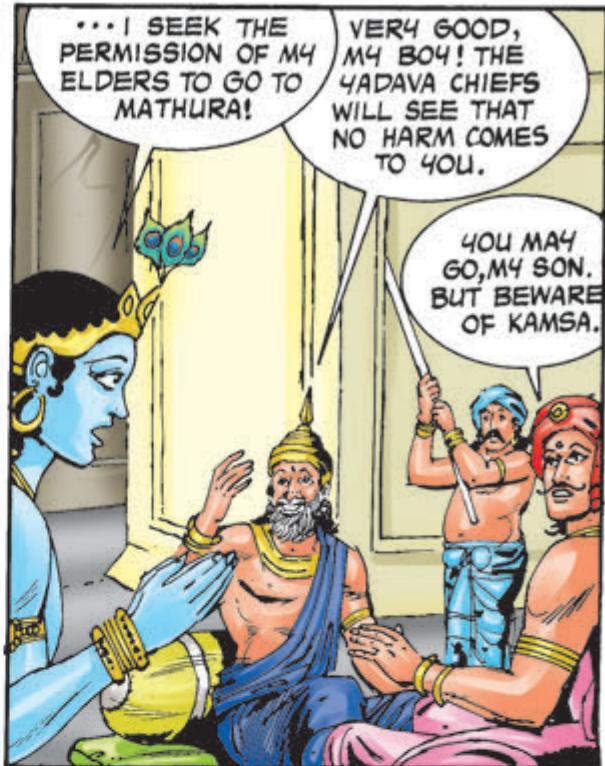
KRISHNA, DID YOU HEAR THAT? AKRURA SAYS THAT DEVAKI IS YOUR MOTHER. I AM YOUR MOTHER, AREN'T I?

PLEASE DON'T BE UPSET, MOTHER. I SHALL ALWAYS LOOK UPON YOU AS MY MOTHER. BUT...

...I SEEK THE PERMISSION OF MY ELDERS TO GO TO MATHURA!

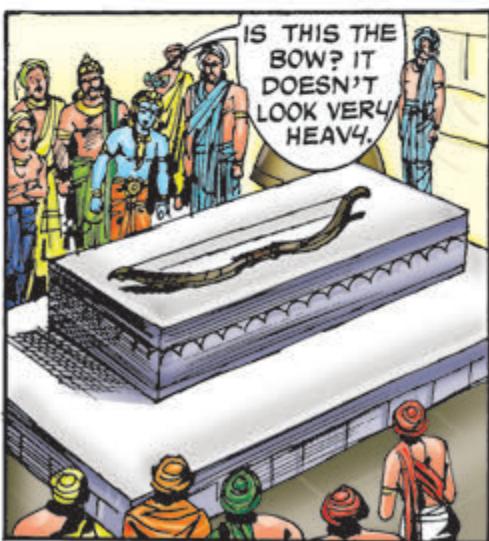
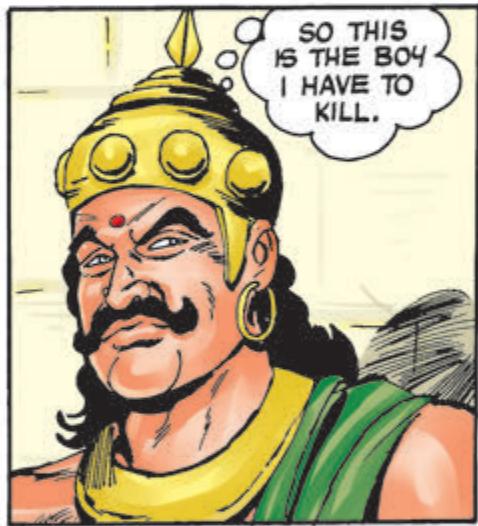
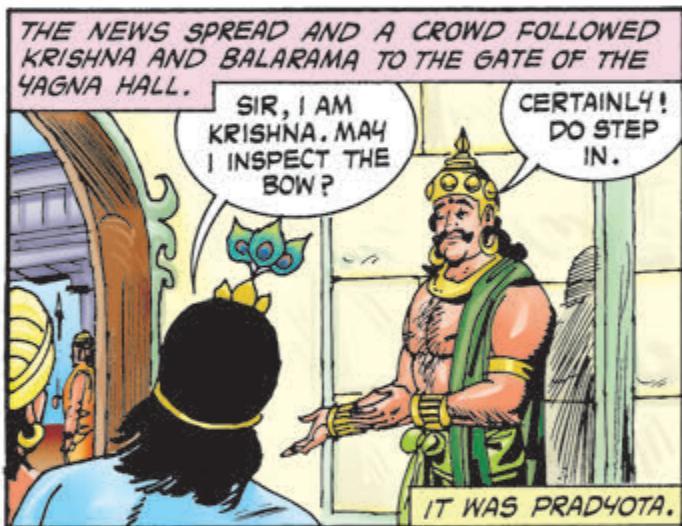
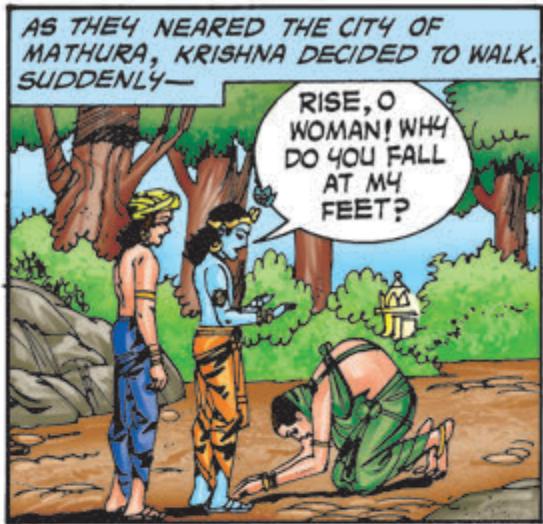
VERY GOOD, MY BOY! THE YADAVA CHIEFS WILL SEE THAT NO HARM COMES TO YOU.

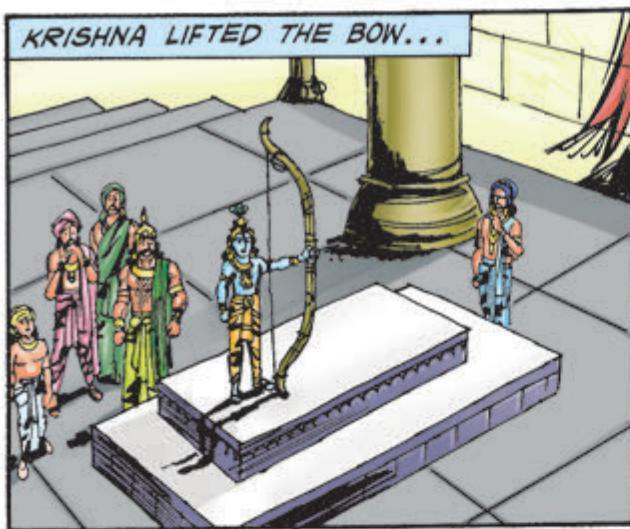
YOU MAY GO, MY SON. BUT BEWARE OF KAMSA.

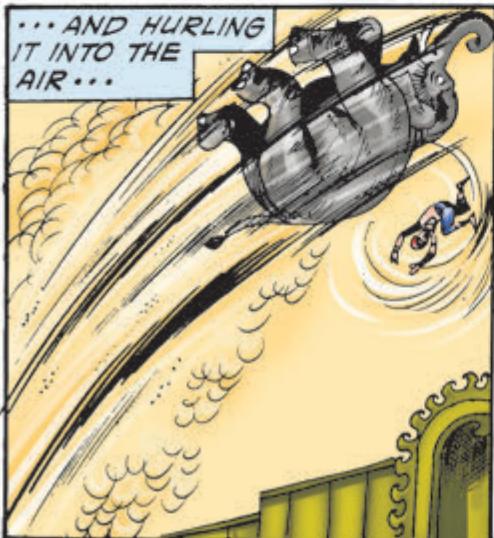
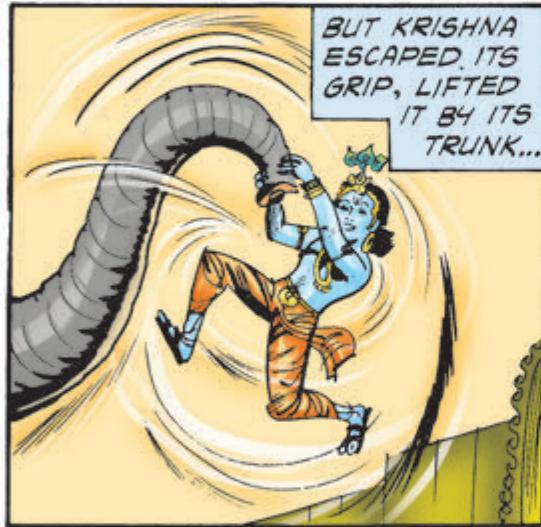
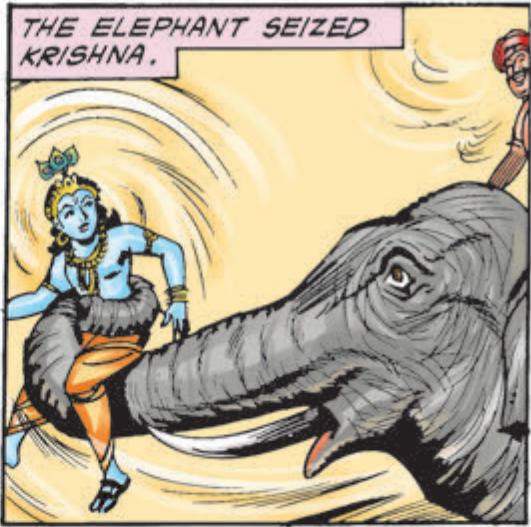
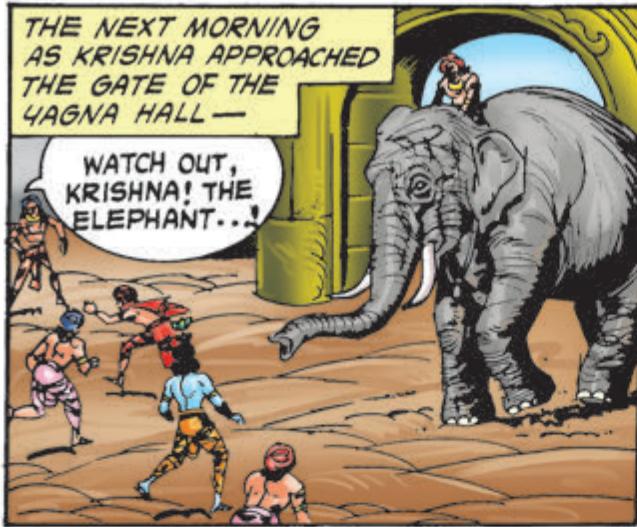


THE NEXT MORNING, KRISHNA, ACCCOMPANIED BY BALARAMA, LEFT FOR MATHURA.









THEN WITH BALARAMA, HE TOOK HIS PLACE IN THE ARENA WHERE THE GAMES WERE BEING HELD.

KRISHNA, KAMSA HAS HEARD MUCH ABOUT YOUR STRENGTH AND VALOUR. HE HAS INVITED YOU TO WRESTLE... WITH ME!

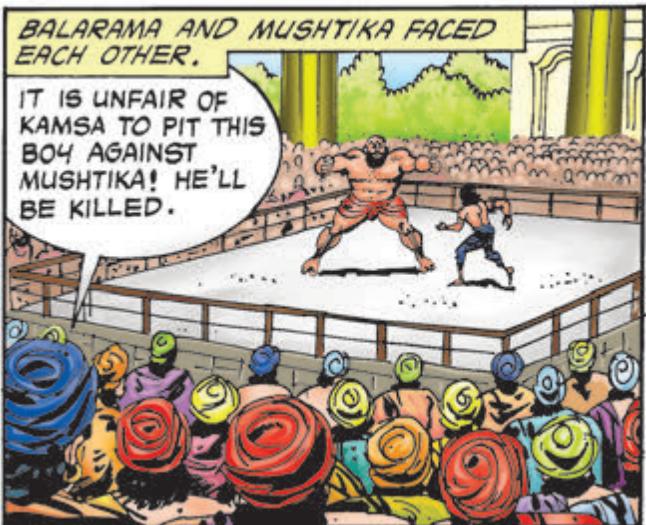
IT'S AN HONOUR, CHANURA. I AM READY.



FIRST MUSHTIKA WILL WRESTLE WITH YOUR BROTHER.

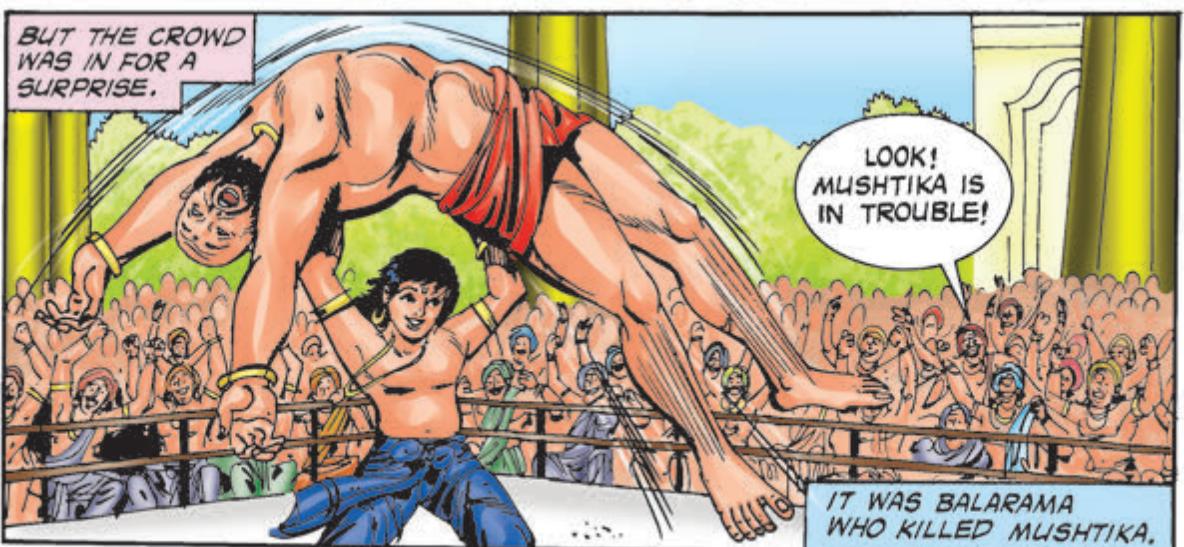
BALARAMA AND MUSHTIKA FACED EACH OTHER.

IT IS UNFAIR OF KAMSA TO PIT THIS BOY AGAINST MUSHTIKA! HE'LL BE KILLED.



BUT THE CROWD WAS IN FOR A SURPRISE.

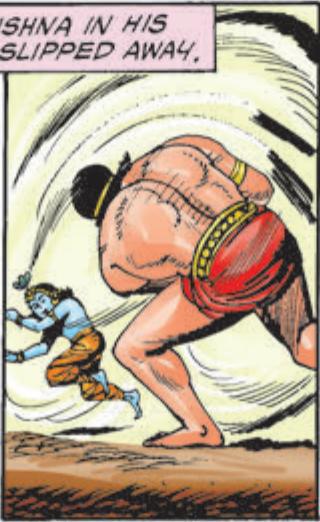
LOOK! MUSHTIKA IS IN TROUBLE!



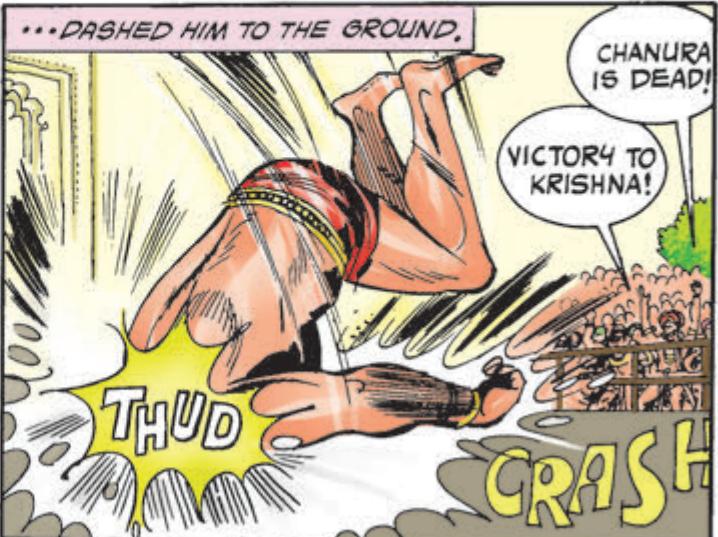
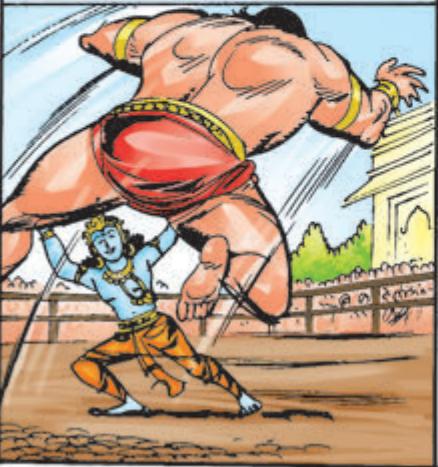


CHANURA TRIED TO CRUSH KRISHNA IN HIS MIGHTY ARMS. BUT KRISHNA SLIPPED AWAY.

DISAPPOINTED, CHANURA RUSHED MADLY AT HIM.



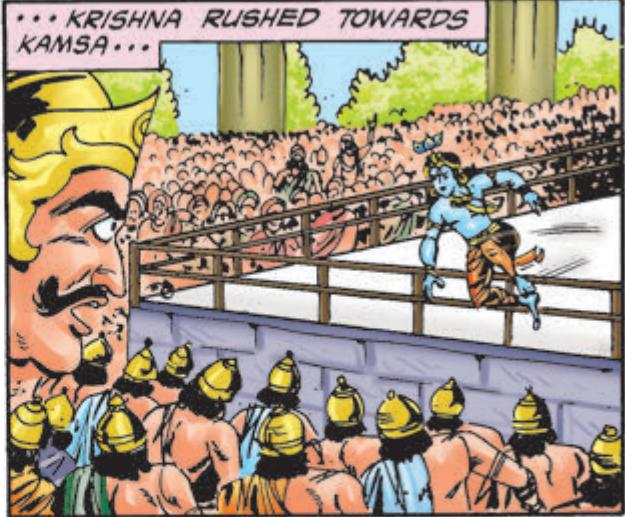
BUT KRISHNA NIMBLY STEPPED ASIDE AND PICKING HIM UP...



AS KAMSA'S SOLDIERS MOVED TOWARDS THE YADAVA CHIEFS...



...KRISHNA RUSHED TOWARDS KAMSA...



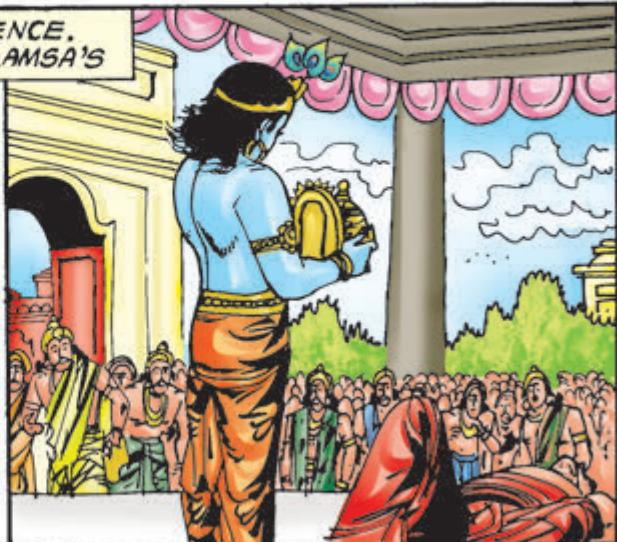
...TOOK AWAY HIS SWORD...



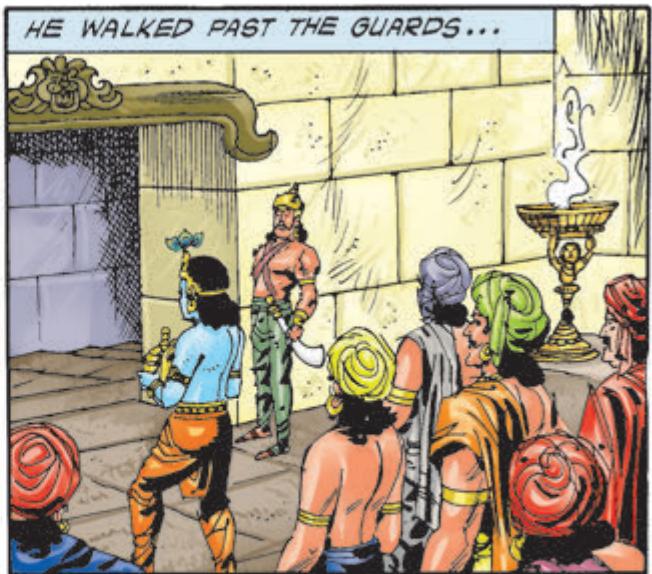
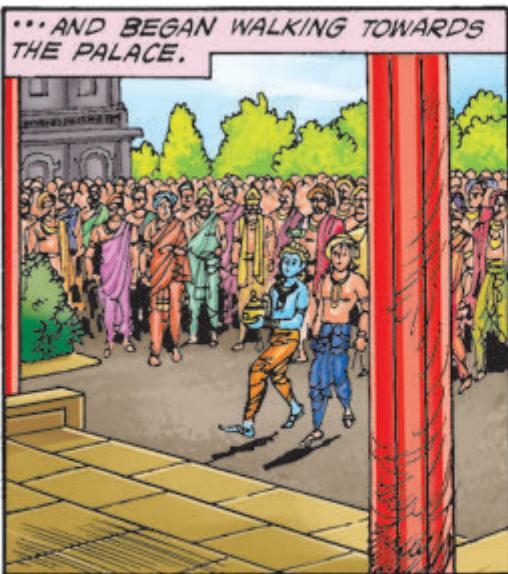
...AND THROWING HIM TO THE GROUND, KILLED HIM.



THE CROWD WAS STUNNED INTO SILENCE. KRISHNA LIFTED THE CROWN FROM KAMSA'S HEAD...

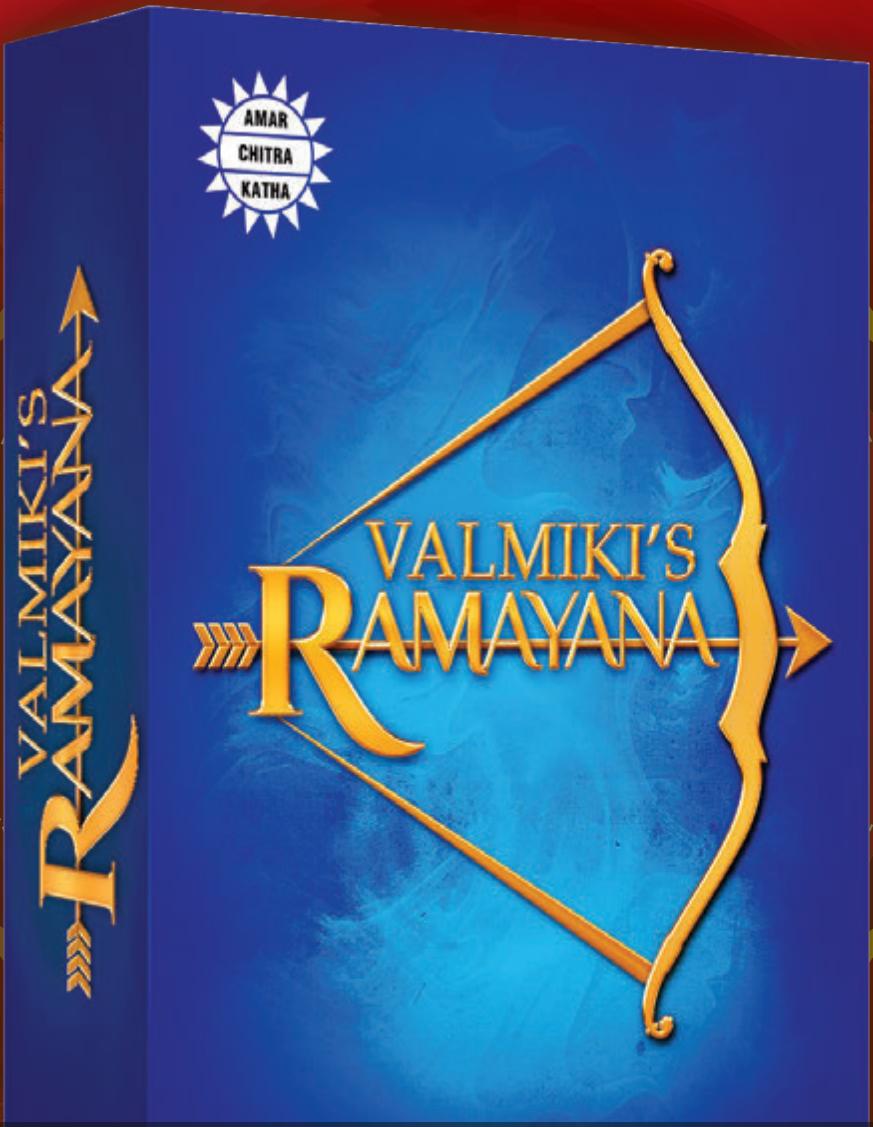


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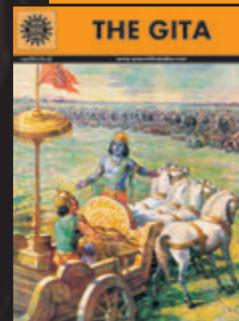
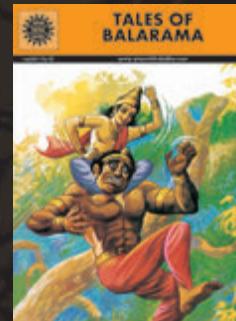
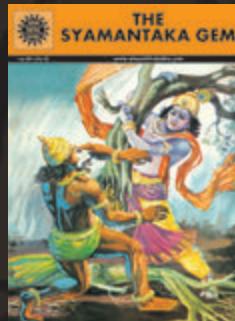
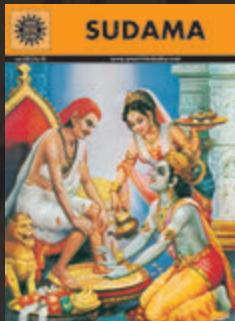


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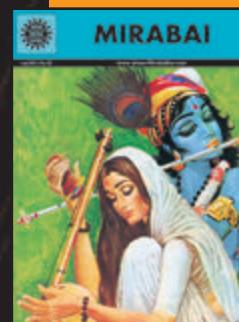
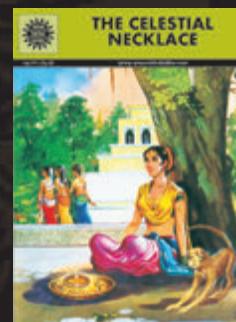
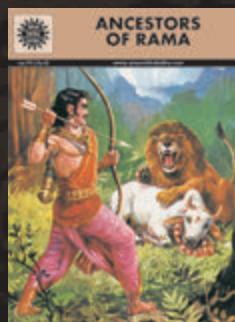
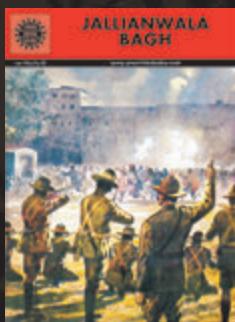
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