

The Dead Snake



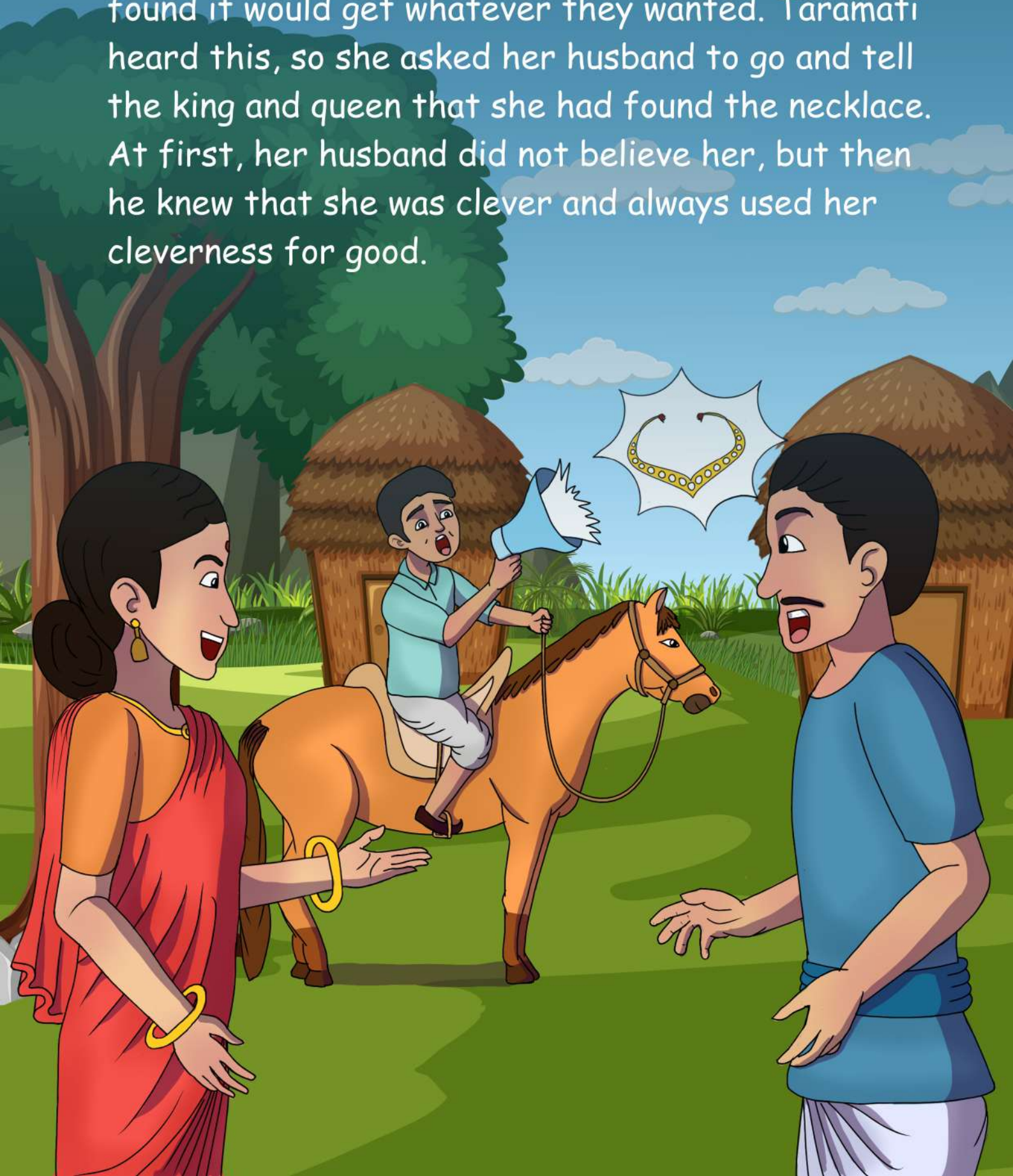
In a small village lived a young, clever girl called Taramati. She and her husband were very poor, yet they lived well because she cleverly managed the house budget with the money they got. When her husband would come home, he would give whatever money he had earned to his wife.



One day, Taramati told her husband that along with the money, he must get something more. So, he used to pick up things like a piece of firewood, leaves, cloth, or whatever he could find. One day, he brought a dead snake home, but she asked him to throw it on the roof of the house.



Few days passed, and there was a problem in the kingdom. The hawk had flown away with the queen's favorite necklace. It was announced that whoever found it would get whatever they wanted. Taramati heard this, so she asked her husband to go and tell the king and queen that she had found the necklace. At first, her husband did not believe her, but then he knew that she was clever and always used her cleverness for good.



As soon as Taramati's husband informed the king and queen, they called her. Taramati went there with a small box in her hand. The royal guards took her in front of the king. She opened it, and to everyone's surprise, the queen's royal necklace was inside!

"How did you get it?"

they asked in surprise.

Her husband was also surprised.



"On the roof of my house, there was a dead snake. The hawk saw it as it was flying by, so it landed on my roof. I saw the hawk come and went to chase it away when I saw something glittering in its mouth."



As soon as I chased it away, the hawk took the dead snake and flew, leaving the necklace behind. Then, I heard that you had lost your necklace, so I went to check on the roof, and I found it."



The queen was very pleased. She asked Taramati what she wanted as a reward.

"I do not want to be poor anymore. Please, give me enough for my needs."

They gave them land to farm and some gold coins.

Taramati used her cleverness to make sure they were never poor again.



We must be honest. We must use our cleverness to make the most of what we have.

