

Grandfather's House



Aunt Dete takes Heidi to her new home.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first five paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that Heidi

- a. did not like living at home.
- b. wanted to live with her grandfather.
- c. wanted to live with Aunt Dete.
- d. did not have a mother or father.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 10 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read to find out how Heidi likes her new home.

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Heidi did not have a mother or father. She lived with Aunt Dete.

One day, Aunt Dete took Heidi on a long walk. They walked up a mountain. They walked a long way.

At last, they came to a little house.

Aunt Dete said, "Stop here. This is Grandfather's house. It is your new home, Heidi."

Grandfather was not happy to see them. He did not want Heidi to live with him.

He said to Aunt Dete, "She can not stay. Take her back. Take her back now!"

Aunt Dete said, "I have to

go away for a while. And she can not come with me. It is time for you to have her. She is your little girl now."

Grandfather was not happy. "Let her stay, then," he said. "But I want *you* to go away. Go now Dete! I never want to see you again! Do not come back here!"

Dete hurried away down the mountain. She did not look back.

Heidi and Grandfather went into the house.

"Where will I sleep, Grandfather?" Heidi said.

"Look around for a place you like. You may sleep where you wish," said Grandfather.

Heidi looked around the house. She went up a ladder. At the top, she found a room.

"Come up and look, Grandfather!" said Heidi. "Here is a good place for my bed. From here, I can see far down the mountain."

"This mountain's name is The Alm," said Grandfather.

Heidi helped make supper. Grandfather looked at Heidi as she worked. He saw that Heidi was a happy little girl.

Soon, it was dark. Heidi went up the ladder to bed.

She liked this new home on the Alm.

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COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

1. In the beginning of this story, Heidi was living with her
 - a. grandmother.
 - b. sister.
 - c. brother.
 - d. Aunt Dete.
2. Heidi went to live with her grandfather because
 - a. Aunt Dete didn't like Heidi any more.
 - b. Aunt Dete had to go away for a while.
 - c. Grandfather missed Heidi.
 - d. Heidi didn't want to live with Aunt Dete.
3. Grandfather
 - a. was a young man.
 - b. was an old man.
 - c. was a tall man.
 - d. was a small man.
4. Grandfather lived
 - a. in a big city.
 - b. in a small town.
 - c. on a mountain.
 - d. under the ground.
5. Grandfather
 - a. was not happy to see Aunt Dete and Heidi.
 - b. was very glad to see them.
 - c. never liked Heidi.
 - d. loved Heidi more than anyone.
6. Grandfather let Heidi stay. But he was
 - a. angry with Aunt Dete.
 - b. sad for Aunt Dete.
 - c. pleased with Aunt Dete.
 - d. afraid of Heidi.
7. At Grandfather's house, you could get to Heidi's room by
 - a. digging a hole.
 - b. going up a tree.
 - c. going down a ladder.
 - d. going up a ladder.
8. Heidi
 - a. missed her Aunt Dete.
 - b. liked her new home.
 - c. did not like her new home.
 - d. did not like Grandfather.
9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "Heidi Runs Away."
 - b. "A New Home For Heidi."
 - c. "Heidi Makes Supper."
 - d. "The Mountain House."
10. This story is mainly about
 - a. a girl who goes to live with her grandfather.
 - b. an old man who does not like children.
 - c. a beautiful mountain home.
 - d. a girl who likes to cook.

Preview Answer:

- d. did not have a mother or father.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.

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