The Well

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A Before Reading

1 Match the words with the pictures below.

bucket     well     volcano     soldier     tap     rope

(a) soldier   (b) ______   (c) ______   (d) ______   (e) ______   (f) ______

2a Match the words on the left with the words on the right.

mother     gang
water     tree
well     bucket
volcano     checkpoint
soldier     daughter
oranges     cure
sickness     fire and smoke
lunch     bread and sausage
farm     tap
boys     animals

b Write one of the words above in the gaps below.

1. Every mother has a son or a daughter.
2. Fire and ????????? are coming from the ?????????.
3. ????????? comes from a Well and a ?????????.
4. The ????????? is guarding the ?????????.
5. He wants to eat some ?????????. He is pulling them from the ?????????.
6. The ????????? of ????????? are running away from a dog.
7. There is a ????????? with a rope in the ?????????.
8. The farmer looks after the ????????? on the ?????????.
9. I had ????????? and sausages for ?????????.
10. Tell me doctor is there a ????????? for my ??????????
3 Look at the words below. Which do you think are good things? Which are bad? Which are not good or bad? Put one in each gap below.

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<tr>
<th>grandmother</th>
<th>photograph</th>
<th>dust</th>
<th>magic</th>
<th>bridge</th>
<th>friendly woman</th>
<th>fresh water</th>
<th>dry grass</th>
<th>the wind</th>
<th>ghost</th>
<th>dirty water</th>
<th>gold coins</th>
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<td>Good</td>
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4 You are going to walk all day in the desert. It is very hot. What must you take?

Water, __________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
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B While Reading

5 a Read pages 2–5 and fill in the gaps below.

Lia’s Family

(1) ______
Father (2) ______
(3) ______ Lia

b Answer the questions and fill the gaps below.

Who wants to go to the well? (1) ______ and (2) ______
Who wants them to go to the well? (3) ______
Who doesn’t want them to go? (4) ______ and (5) ______

6 a Look at the places below. In the story Lia and Jay go to these places. Read the story and put the places in order 1-5.

(a) The well on their grandmother’s farm _____
(b) A place with no houses _____
(c) The checkpoint (1)
(d) A bridge _____
(e) The friendly woman’s well _____
7 a Who says what? Write the names of the person speaking in the gaps below.

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<td>(a) The volcano is near the farm</td>
<td>Lia's Father</td>
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<td>(b) It's a ghost</td>
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<td>(c) Give them to us</td>
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<td>(d) Please, go to the well</td>
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<td>(e) She is not thinking clearly</td>
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<td>(f) I will go to the farm alone</td>
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<td>(g) Take some water from my well</td>
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<td>(h) Bring me some too</td>
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b Now put the sentences in correct order.

(1) d (2) - (3) - (4) - (5) - (6) - (7) - (8) -

8 Lia and Jay find good and bad things on their journey. While you read pages 6 – 15 make notes below.

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<th>Good things they find</th>
<th>Bad things they find</th>
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<td>Oranges</td>
<td>Dust in the air</td>
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9 Lia’s friend wants to go to her Grandmother’s farm. You are Lia. Write the directions.

Start - *First you walk along the highway to the checkpoint. Then*

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10 Write a short story about Lia’s grandfather. Explain why he puts his gold in the well.

11 You are Lia or Jay. You can buy anything you want with your grandfather’s gold. Write a list of things you will buy and do.

*e.g. I will buy a new house for my family*

12 *Suddenly they hear a sound. Is it the sound of the wind?* (page 16). Continue the story for one more page. What is the sound they hear?