The Coffins and the Greens

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Lara and Mia were walking home one day from school. “Father said he was finishing a boat, and said we could test it out first instead of the boys!” Lara said in her British accent, “but we have to take a test.” “So.” Mia said as she twirled around, a bit. “We’ll ace it!”

Soon they were home to find Mrs. Coffin at the door. “James, Collin I need you to do your chores. Mia, Lara, come in. Mr. Green is waiting for you.

“Girls here is your test, you have 30 minutes,” said Mr. Green. Ten minutes later they boarded the boat.

“Have a good time!” Yelled Mrs. Coffin from the shore, “and don’t forget to do some fishing!”

It was dusk when the girls returned. “Sorry we couldn’t find any fish” Mia said “But we tried!” The trip went well except for the lack of fish.

But on the bright side they were on time for dinner.

After dinner they got ready for bed and headed for their chambers. “Hi Lily!” Mia and Lara said in unison as their little sister jumped on Mia’s bed.

The following day was Saturday so Mia and Lara took Lily for a walk in the Family Farms. Mia and Lara had wagons to pull all of the vegetables they were going to collect but they took notice that there were none. So they took Lily back to the house with empty wagons.

“Girls why are your wagons empty?” Mr. Coffin asked. Mia and Lara exchanged a glance. “We went to the Family Farms,” Mia said, “but there were no vegetables,” Lara finished.

The following day Mrs. Green held a double family meeting. When the families were all together, Mrs. Green said in a loud tone, “We the Greens, are moving….” She paused **dramatically, “**to the other side of the dirt path!”

Collin, James, Mia and Lara gasped! No one person could imagine something so tragic after living together for so long.

How James and Collin handled it is a different story all together and ended up with a punishment. Mia and Lara did just what they were told, though they found and cut a way to get around the situation that they both worked on. Their fathers built a shack for them and moved all of their belongings into it and they lived out their days (with Lily)!

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