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Level 1

Louisa May Alcott's

Little Woman



WORDS USED

Story 26

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KEY WORDS

become
everyone
surprise
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women

children
good-by
great
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school

another
right
shining
talk
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anyone
birthday
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grandmother
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NECESSARY WORDS

college
marry
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wedding
will

family
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hotel
life
nothing

knock
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umbrella

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CHRISTMAS AT THE MARCH HOUSE



Each of the girls plan to buy something for their mother with the money they have.

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

You learned from your preview that the girls had

- ☐ a. lots of money.
- ☐ b. very little money.
- ☐ c. no mother or father.
- ☐ d. no shoes.

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

Now read the story.

Read to find out what the March family does on Christmas Day.

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“Christmas will not be fun if we don’t get new things,” said Jo March.

“Why can’t we have money like other people?” said Meg. She looked down at her old shoes.

“Other girls have lots of nice things. We have very little,” said Amy.

“We have Father and Mother. And we have enough to get by,” said Beth.

“But Father is not here!” said Jo. “He could be away for a year or more.” Mr. March was away helping the Army.

The four March girls were getting ready for Christmas. They did not have a lot of money. They did have lots of love.

Meg was the oldest. She was pretty with big eyes and soft, red hair. Then there was Jo. She had dark brown hair. Jo liked to

make up plays. The girls would act them out. She wished she were a boy, and acted like one.

Next came Beth. She had the kindest face. She was always good.

Last of the March girls, was Amy. She was as pretty as a picture and thought so, too.

The girls heard a noise from outside. Mother was home at last. She had gone to help a woman who could not get up and around. The woman had no food to eat.

Mother thought it would be nice to bring Christmas breakfast to the woman. The girls said they would be happy to. That morning, they packed a box of food to take to her.

When Mrs. March and the girls got home, a big breakfast had been cooked for them. It was from the

old man who lived in the house next door. The food was so good.

Mother said she had more good news. It was a letter from Father. The girls listened as she read to them. Father was doing fine. He missed them and loved them.

The rest of the day the March girls acted out one of Jo’s plays. They laughed and had a fun day.

Mother said it was the best Christmas they had in years.

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