

**A WILD DOG**  
(Lesson 4: The Dog's Bell)

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**Vocabulary**

approach	ཉེ་བར་བཅར་བ།	head	མགོ། འགོ་བ།	punish	ཚད་བ་གཅོད་བ།
appropriate	འོས་ཤིང་འཚོམས་པ།	hospital	སྐྱུ་ཁང་།	put me inside	ནང་དུ་བཅུག་བ།
avoid	གཞུག་པ།	instruct	སློབ་བྲིད་བྱེད་བ།	represent	ཚབ་བྱེད་བ།
behave	སྤྱོད་བ།	issue	སློབ་གཞི། གནད་དོན།	shake	ལྷུག་བ།
calm	ཞི་འཇམ།	journey	འགྲུལ་བཀུར།	spread	བྱུང་བ།
concern	སེམས་ཁུར་བྱེད་བ།	none	སུ་ཡང་མེད་བ།	spread through	བྱུང་གངས་དུ་སྤོང་བ།
content	ཡིད་ཚིམ་བ། འདོད་སྤོང་བ།	notice	མཉམ་འཛོག་དོ་སྣང་།	stroll	སྤྱོ་འཚམ།
evil	གདུག་པ་ཅན།	nursed	བུ་མ་སྐྱུ་བ།	treat	སྐྱུ་བཅོས་བྱེད་བ།
expect	ཚོད་དཔག་བྱེད་བ། རེ་སྐྱུག་བྱེད་བ།	patient	བརྗོད་མཁན།	village	ཕྱི་བ།
frequently	དུས་ནམ་ཡང་།	permission	ཚོག་མཚན།	wild	ཚོད་པོ།
habit	གོམས་གཤེས།	picked me up	ཡར་བཀུག་བ།	wound	མ་ལ།

**Text**

I was two years old. A strange thing happened. One day my mother got up early. She put on her best robe. It was **appropriate** to wear her best robe. Why? Because we were going to visit her brother. She washed her face carefully. Mother **picked me up**. She held me her arms and **nursed** me.

Mother liked to take me when she visited her brother. First, she asked my father for **permission**. Father was very kind. He always agreed. Father **put me inside** the back of Mother's robe. I was warm and comfortable. I soon slept.

Mother and I rode a gentle, **calm** yak. When we **approached** a family of our village, a **wild**, cruel dog barked at us. It woke me up. I was afraid of the black dog. Mother was not afraid. Our yak **continued to stroll** by the village. Suddenly the cruel dog **shook** his head. Then he opened his big mouth. He began barking. His terrible **behavior** and **evil** barks scared me. We passed by the home. The wild dog ran at us. Mother did not **notice**. He jumped on our yak and **bit** me.

Suddenly, the yak ran quickly. We fell off the yak. I cried loudly. My face became pale. Mother was very **concerned** about me. She wanted to **avoid** the dog. The dog was not **content**. He wanted to bite me again. I also **expected** the dog would bite me again. I cried louder. Mother shouted for help. A man came. He took the dog away. I think he was **head** of that family. He said his dog had a bad habit. He bit people frequently.

Mother **instructed** him on how to change the dog's behavior. She said he needed to be **patient** with the dog.

My bottom bled and hurt. Mother was nervous and cried for me. She did not know what to do. She asked the man for some suggestions. He did not answer. He ran to his big black tent. He came back with some wool and a match. He took me out from the back of Mother's robe.

He told Mother to give him her scarf. Mother gave him her red scarf.

He helped Mother **treat my wound**. First he rubbed the blood away with the scarf. He lit the match and burnt the wool. Then he put the burnt wool on my wound. Finally he tied my bottom with Mother's scarf. The burnt wool was hot. I screamed.

Then we returned home. Father looked at my wound. It was a serious issue. He wanted to **punish** the dog. But he **represented** the village. He was a village leader. He knew he should do good things.

Mother was sad for me. Father wanted Mother to not worry. He wanted to take me to the hospital. The **journey** from my home to the hospital was difficult and long. So we did not go to the hospital.

The next day, the news about the dog and me **spread through** the **village**.

**Questions**

- 1 How old was he?
- 2 What happened to him?
- 3 Who did get up early?
- 4 Who put on her best robe?
- 5 Why did she put on her best robe?
- 6 Who held him in her arms?
- 7 What was his breakfast food?
- 8 Who liked to take him when she visited?
- 9 Who was kind to his mother ?
- 10 What did he see?
- 11 Who rode a gentle, calm yak?
- 12 Where did he see a wild dog?
- 13 Who was afraid of the black dog?
- 14 Who was not afraid of the black dog?
- 15 Who did shake his head?
- 16 Did the dog jump on their yak and bite him?
- 17 Did they fall off the yak?
- 18 Who was the head of the family?
- 19 Who was the leader of village ?
- 20 Who did treat his wound?
- 21 Who shouted for help?
- 22 Who rubbed the blood away with the scarf?
- 23 Did his mother light a match?
- 24 Who put the burnt wool on his wound?
- 25 Who returned home?
- 26 Who wanted to punish the dog?
- 27 Who represented the village?
- 28 Who wanted to take him to the hospital?
- 29 Did his father punish the dog?
- 30 Do you like this story? Why or why not?