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# COLLECTION OF SHORT STORIES

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## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

This collection of short stories is written by a 9 year old boy, called Ridhaan. Ridhaan lives in Bangalore with his family that includes his sister , parents and uncle.

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## Story 1 : Robot Adventures

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Characters :R2 ( ROBOT) : Age: 1 Day;

Pratush : Age - 9 ; boy cut black hair; thin body ; tall ; very nice

Sakshi : Age - 7 ; tall ; long hair

Mystery teacher : ???

Setting : Pratush's house,

Plot :Pratush built a robot which became alive. Sakshi uses robot to complete her homework and gets caught. Episode 1 ends with robot getting kidnapped.

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“Finally”, said Pratush , “I finally did it ! I made it ! Let's call him R2” In front of him was a big robot. “R2 ! Say hi .” R2 said hi . He thought that he did a magnificent job . Then he went to sleep. Before sleeping , he put an alarm for 6:00 am

His dad taught many kids robotics including Pratush. After about a year of learning robotics from his dad, he decided to make a robot . Pratush kept working day and night and finally the day came when he was all set to power on the robot.

The next day, he woke up at five. R2 had woke him up .

“Why did you wake me up ? It is just 5:00”, asked Pratush . R2 replied , “sorry master . I like to wake up early”.

“Are you alive?” Asked Pratush.

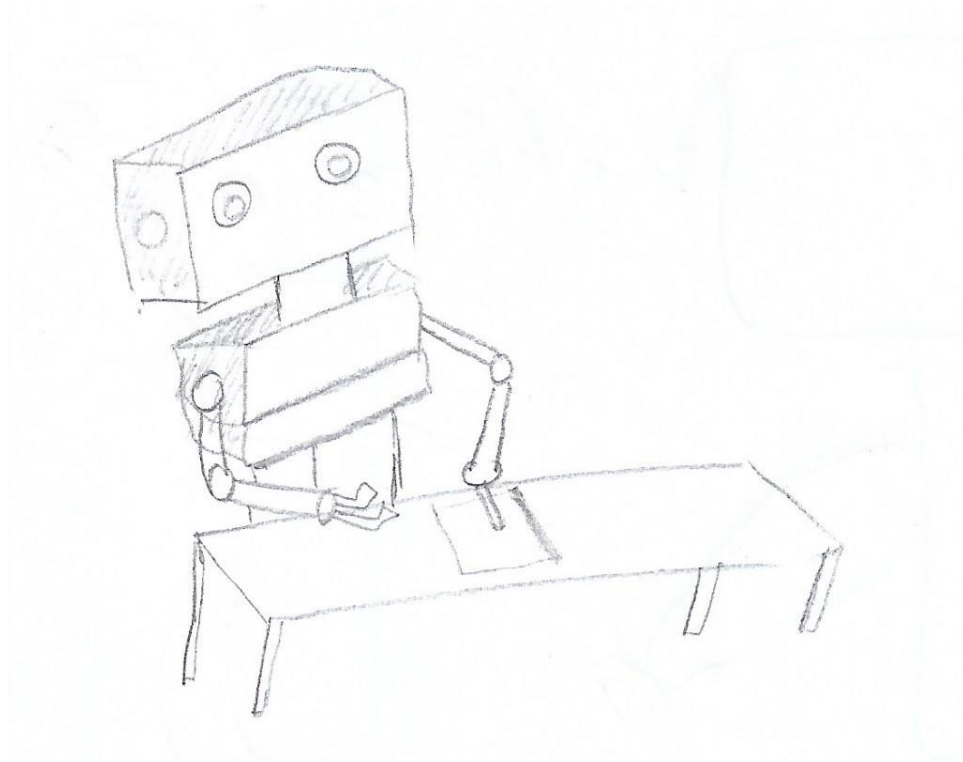
“What kind of question is that ? Of course I am alive.” Replied R2 . WOW thought Pratush. How did this happen. He woke his sister, Sakshi, up.

“Sakshi , look!” , said Pratush , “the robot is ALIVE!”

“Really ? Can I have him pleaseeeeeee” , asked Sakshi . Pratush kindly agreed. He had NO idea what was about to happen.

## CHAPTER 2 - Caught ?

Sakshi thought what she could do with the robot. Then she had an idea. She could use it for her CHORES ! Homework , cleaning , well , she used it for EVERYTHING!



But soon the teachers found out that she was using someone else to do her homework . The teachers told Sakshi that she was cheating.

Sakshi said , “I’m sorry , I will not do it again. I promise” Then they said ok.

One teacher looked at her suspiciously while she left. Sakshi got in the bus and left UAWARE of what was going on in teachers head.

### CHAPTER 3 - WHO WAS THAT ?

The next day , Sakshi woke up early , one hour before school. By the time school started , she had just reached class. It was history. She learnt about the world war 2 . That day, it was assembly day . Assembly was the last period . They were watching one class do an assembly. When it was done , she went home and looked for the robot. But he was nowhere to be seen !

She looked out and saw someone running away. She could see a teacher tag but could not read it . “hehehehe” , snickered the MYSTER TEACHER.

## Story 2 : The Painful Tooth

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Characters :

Kamla. : Age: 11; Chocolate black and long hair; medium body; short

Pratush. : Age - 7 ; boy cut black hair; thin body ; tall

Dad : Age - 42 ; boy cur grey hair ; medium body ; tall

Mom : Age - 40 ; long black hair ; fat body ; tall

Setting : Home; New Delhi ; Dentist

Plot. : Kamla's tooth needs to be extracted and she is terrified, lets find out how does she cope with this.

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### Chapter 1 : She finds out !!!!!

"Kamla, come here!" Dad shouted for the third time.

"Coming daddy," said 11 year old Kamla. Kamla was a small girl with chocolate brown skin and long, thick beautiful hair with warm brown eyes with a cheerful smile on her face.

"We are going to the dentist," announced daddy.

"Why?" asked Kamla.

"We need to get your tooth pulled out," replied daddy. "What! I do not want to go. Last time it was very painful," replied Kamla with shocked expression on her face.

Kamla had a habit of sucking her thumb SINCE SHE WAS A BABY . Therefore, her tooth became deformed. She needed to get two of her teeth pulled to make space for other to get aligned. Mom told Kamla that if she went to the dentist then while coming back she could buy a nail polish for herself.

Kamla's brother, Pratush, was listening and said, "I do not want to come". Eventually, Kamla gave up and went to the dentist. She was very worried.

## **CHAPTER 2 - Taking Out !!**

By the time Kamla reached the dentist, she was trembling from head to toe out of fear.

The dentist was very nice. He asked Kamla to lie down on a dental chair. Then he took out a needle . Kamla was very scared when she saw the needle . She could see her dad outside showing a thumbs - up and then the dentist asked Kamla to close her eyes and count till ten.

She was terrified , but she thought that no matter what I do , my tooth will still get extracted. So she closed her eyes and counted to ten . Meanwhile , the dentist carefully removed her tooth .

## **CHAPTER 3 - Going Back**

When Kamla stopped counting , everything was back to normal and her tooth was lying in front of her eyes on the dental plate.

Since the gum was bleeding , the dentist brought Kamla to her dad and said to Kamla's dad, " make sure that Kamla should only eat ice cream or other cold things like that ." He said ok and took Kamla to the ice cream store.

Kamla bought 2 ice cream flavours – vanilla and butter scotch which her dad's favourite.

When they almost reached home , Kamla remembered what mom promised her . Then she said , "mama said I can get nail polish , daddy" . So dad drove to the nail polish store and Kamla chose a sparkly glittery blue nail polish. Upon reaching home, Kamla found Pratush reading on the sofa . When he saw the ice cream , he and Kamla asked their parents, " can I have ? Can I have now ?" . " Ok " , replied dad.

Soon they were both eating ice cream and Kamla had soon forgotten all about "The Painful Tooth."

**THE END**

### **Story 3 : Monkey menace**

It was a lovely sunny Sunday morning in a two-story house. It was Christmas holiday time and they decided to go to a picnic with one more family. The family made sandwiches and cake. The other family made puri and aloo subji.

"mom, can we go now. Please. We are late", said one of the children, "please".

"ok, ok, let's go.", said mom. They got in the car and met up with the other family. It was a 2-hour drive to the bottom of the hill.

It looked AMAZING. It was big. There was lots of grass and almost at the very top there was a small temple. At the very top there was a very tiny monument of Krishna.

Sadly, we could not take the car up the hill so we had to walk. When we reached the top, we were tired. I was about to take a chip packet out when I saw one family trying to leave with a coconut but the monkeys were stopping them. The only way they were able to get out was giving the coconut to the monkeys.





i thought the same would happen with chips. But it was too late. The monkeys saw the chips in my hand. We ran down the hill and we decided to eat in the car. The monkeys were all around the car.

So we had to leave the place without having our picnic. Kids were sad and hungry.

Luckily, soon on the way we saw a beautiful lake and it seemed like a perfect spot for picnic.

Dad swiftly stopped the car and other family followed. Finally, we had a place for our PICNIC and it was lovely.

**The End**

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## **Blurb**

**This is a collection of 3 short stories on varied subjects.**

**In first story, author talks about a Robot which come to life and about its adventure.**

**Second story is based on a real life event where author's sister had to get her tooth extracted.**

**In the third story, family goes out for a picnic to a nice hill spot but monkeys gave them a surprise.**

**A good read for young readers who enjoy reading short stories.**