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| 1. | Cad a rinne tú an tseachtain seo?<br>Bhí mé ag ...<br>Chuaigh mé go (dtí an) ...<br>Chonaic mé ...<br>D'ith mé ... | What did you do this week?<br>I was at ...<br>I went to (the) ...<br>I saw ...<br>I ate ... |
| 2. | An bhfaca tú ainmhí inniu?<br>Chonaic / Ní fhaca.  | Did you see an animal today?<br>Yes / No.   |
| 3. | An bhfaca tú riamh ainmhí fiáin<br>seachas sa sú?  | Did you ever see a wild animal except at<br>the zoo?  |
| 4. | Cén ainmhí is ansa leat?<br>Is maith liom ...<br>An t-ainmhí is ansa liom ná ...                                   | What's your favorite animal?<br>I like ...<br>My favorite animal is ...                     |

**An Rún Mór (Caitriona Ní Mhurchú)**

**The Big Secret**

1. 'Níl cead agat, - agus sin sin!' 'You can't, - and that's that!'
2. Phléasc Mailí amach ag caoineadh. Mailí burst out crying.
3. 'Tá piscín uaim, a Dhaidí,' a dúirt sí. 'I want a kitting, Daddy,' she said.
4. 'Ach ní féidir piscín a bheith agat. 'But you can't have a kitten.
5. Tá's agat sin, a Mhailí, a stór. You know that, Mailí, dear.
6. Ní bí ag caoineadh. Don't cry.
7. Gheobhaimid rud éigin eile duit. We'll get you something else.
8. Rothar deas bándearg b'fhéidir?' arsa Daidí. A nice pink bicycle, perhaps?' said Daddy.
9. 'Ach níl rothar deas bándearg uaim. 'But I don't want a nice pink bicycle.
10. Tá piscín uaim,' arsa Mailí. I want a kitten,' said Mailí.
11. 'Tá's agam go bhfuil piscín uait, a stór. 'I know that you want a kitten, dear.
12. Ach ní féidir ceann a bheith agat' arsa Daidí arís.' But you can't have one' said Daddy again.
13. 'Cén fáth? a dúirt Mailí. 'Why not?' said Mailí.
14. Thosaigh sí ag stampáil a cos ar an urlár adhmaid. Cén fáth? Cén fáth, Cén fáth? She began stamping her feet on the wood floor. Why? Why? Why?
15. Bhí raic uafásach ar siúl aici. She was making a terrible commotion.
16. Agus bhí tinneas cinn ag teacht ar Dhaidí. And Daddy was getting a headache.
17. 'Tá's agat cén fáth. 'You know why.
18. Má bhíonn piscín sa teach againn beidh súile móra dearga ar Mhamáí. If we have a kitten in our house, Mommy will have big red eyes.
19. Beidh súile móra dearga ar Dhiarmaid. Dermott will have big, red eyes.
20. Agus beidh súile móra dearga ormsa. And I will have big, red eyes.

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| 21. | D'fhéach Mailí ar Dhaidí agus fearg uirthi.               | Mailí looked at Daddy angrily.                        |
| 22. | Thosaigh a beola ag crith.                                | Her lips began to tremble.                            |
| 23. | 'Ná bí ag caoineadh arís, a stór.                         | Don't cry again, dear.                                |
| 24. | Má bhíonn piscín againn beidh srón mhór dhearg ar Mhamaí. | If we have a kitten, Mommy will have a big red nose.  |
| 25. | Beidh srón mhór dhearg ar Dhiarmaid.                      | Dermott will have a big red nose.                     |
| 26. | Agus beidh srón mhór dhearg ormsa.                        | And I will have a big red nose.                       |
| 27. | Shiúil Mailí amach as an gcistin agus fearg uirthi.       | Mailí walked out of the kitchen angrily.              |
| 28. | Dhún sí an doras de phlab mór.                            | She closed the door with a big slam.                  |
| 29. | Shuigh Daidí síos ar chathaoir agus lig sé osna mhór as.  | Daddy sat in a chair and made a big sigh.             |
| 30. | Shuigh Mailí ar a leaba.                                  | Mailí sat on her bed.                                 |
| 31. | Bhí cuma an-bhrónach uirthi.                              | She seemed very sad.                                  |
| 32. | Bhí sí ag stánadh ar na ballaí.                           | She was staring at the walls.                         |
| 33. | Bhí pictiúir agus póstaeir de chait ar na ballaí.         | There were pictures and posters of cats on the walls. |
| 34. | Bhí cat mór agus cat beag ann.                            | There was a big cat and a small cat.                  |
| 35. | Bhí cat le heireaball agus cat gan eireaball ann.         | There was a cat with a tail and a cat without a tail. |
| 36. | Bhí cat bán, cat dubh agus cat rua ann.                   | There was a white cat, a black cat and an orange cat. |
| 37. | Agus bhí cat ramhar agus cat tanaí ann.                   | And there was a fat cat and a thin cat.               |
| 38. | Rinne Mailí meangadh gáire.                               | Mailí smiled.   |
| 39. | Bhí plean iontach aici.                                   | She had a wonderful plan.                             |
| 40. | Léim sí den leaba.  | She leapt from the bed.                               |

**Ceisteanna**

1. Cad a bhí ó Mhailí?
2. An raibh Daidí sásta ceann a fháil di.
3. Cad a rinne Mailí nuair a dúirt Daidí nárbh fhéidir léi ceann a fháil.
4. Cén fáth nach féidir le Mailí cat a fháil?
5. An raibh Mailí sásta le míniú Dhaidí.
6. Cad a bhí ar na ballaí i seomraí Mailí?
7. An raibh piscín agat riamh?
8. An bhfuil peataí agat faoi láthair?
9. An bhfuil tú ailléirgeach d'aon rud?
10. Cén rudaí a thaitin leat nuair a bhí tú óg?

**Questions**

- What did Mailí want?
- Was daddy willing to get one for her?
- What did Mailí do when Daddy said she couldn't get one.
- Why can't Mailí get a cat?
- Was Maili happy with Dady's explanation?
- What was on the walls in Mailí's room?
- Did you ever have a kitten?
- Do you have any pets at present?
- Are you allergic to anything?
- What things did you like when you were young?