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The Six Into Adventure

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Mary went to an orphanage but was very unhappy there. Her mother and father were dead, but she did not believe so.

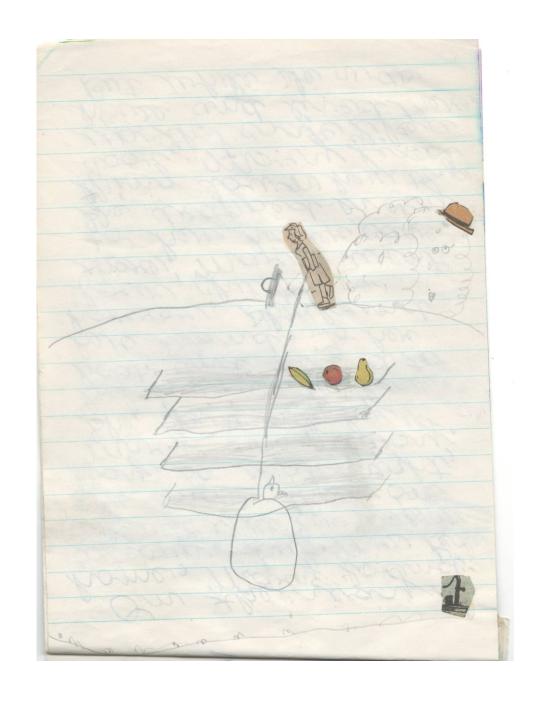
"May I go out for a ride in my boat?" Mary asked.

"No," said Mrs. Pickle. "Well, alright."

Mary got her boat and rowed. Suddenly she had an urge to go back. So back she went.



On the way home, Mary found a pup. But Mrs. Pickle wouldn't let her keep it for more than one day. So that night, Mary ran away. She put all her belongings in her boat and rowed to her island. To her horror, she found four children there. Mary went to her hidden cave. She dropped everything down her trap door. Mary fixed up the cave like a house and lived there. But while she was out gathering heather for her bed, the four children went into the cave and hid. Mary came back. The children jumped out and made friends.



The other four children, Emil, Fred, George, and Sarah, had a mother.

Mary was very lonesome when school started. But by the holiday, Mary had a plan! Mary went back to the orphanage. Emil's

mother adopted Mary. Now she could live on the island.

The island was not boring. In a day's time a year had gone by. The dog, Cuddle, was grown up.

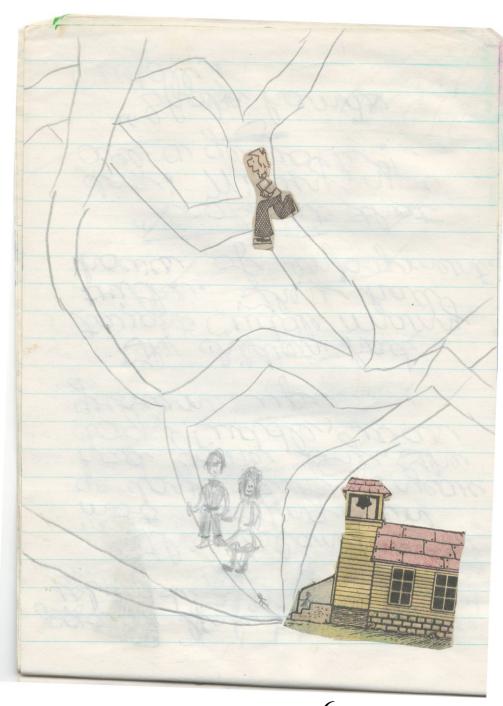
The children had taught Cuddle many tricks. They had hours of enjoyment.



"Look at that dog! Mary, you are a genius!" "Shake hands, Cuddle."

"Vacation is over, children!" said the teacher. "Now no noise!"

"Abracadabra, school is here no more," sang Timothy.



Vacation was there! Island time! But someone was on the island! Who? Their mom!

"Hi, kids," she said. "I will tell you something. I am taking you for a boat ride."

"Tell us about it," pleaded everyone.

"It's a surprise," she said.

So on Monday they were all packed into an airplane. There were parachutes on them in case something happened. There was a crash and the children flew through the windows. They fell far, unconscious.

The next thing they knew was they were on ground. They bled all over so they got band-aids from their backpacks. They looked around. For a minute they thought they were kidnapped. But they found a way out.

"Look! We're in a valley," cried Sarah. "No way could we get home." So they adapted to life in the valley.

One day they found other people were there. The six knew the people were bad.

"The adventurous valley," Fred called it.

So everyone stayed in the cave and stole from the men's shed.

"This food is good. Hey--let's make pies," decided Emil.

"Then you pick them," said Fred.

"No, all of us," said Sarah.

Everyone agreed--except Fred. So they went picking the berries.

But four men jumped out of the bushes and caught them. Fred came to see what had happened.

He saw what had happened and so they were taken to the men's private plane. But what could he do? Obviously the plane would take off any minute. So, really quickly he crept into the plane and into a trunk. He saw what was happening. The men thought they knew about some sort of treasure. It was hidden on Mary's island. So, Fred rescued everyone. They went to the valley, took their things from the cave and went to their island. They went in their caves and hunted for the treasure.

Mary was the one that found the bottles. She found them in a little hole near the cave. They said to dig--in the valley! So they did, and found their mother had died of worry. They had to live in the orphanage. Mrs. Pickle had been fired, and in her place was Mrs. Pepper. She was mean! Mary wanted to read a religious book, but Mrs. Pepper shut her up in a small house for a week! During that week, Mary found a secret door that led to an underground cave. She lived there. Mrs. Pepper shut the other five in the house, and Mary showed them the cave. There they lived, happily ever after. They grew into grownups and built a house.

THE END

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