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The e ca ' be a e, I a e, h d e ' k ha i
feel like be di liked, e e e jec ed, a il f
ai ed e i d f i e. Pe ha he feeli g i el i diffe
e ce, i l d a a ce, b i a al be h . I a e e be
ha e f k ha i i like be ac all ha ed
ha ed f hi g e ha e c l e a d ca cha ge.
Whe hi ha e , i i e c la i k ha he
di like ha ed i j i ed ha d ' de e ei. A d
if ha e he i al e g ha d/ f fa il
a d f i e d , he da age i ed ced e a ed. We hi k fi a
he e (i di abli g) ha i a flife a ah .

Whe I bega i i g T. , I a i e e ed
i hi g el e. N e i a ce he c e f h
e , a de ec i, b he fa e agic a d di abli g
c e e ce f acce i g e jec i a legi a e, a elf-

be da ge , i T J, e d ci g he e e
h ha h ilia ed he e a d e. O he e de

hei ide i ; el i a c e ha deli e he g
 e a he lack. M he , h e e , g be di.
 B he e a e e. h c lla e, ile l, a l, ih
 ice e e ack ledge i. The a ei i ible. The
 dea h f elf-e ee, ca cc ickl, ea il i child e,
 bef e hei eg ha leg, eak. C le he l e a-
 bili f h. i hi diffe e a e , di i i ead l, a d
 a. ld, hich, i i la g age, la , a di age, e-e f ce
 de ai, a d he j e de ci i ealed.

The jec, he , f hi, b k, a e e he
 life f he elea likel i h a d ch da, agi g f ce
 beca e f h, ge de, a d ace. Beg a a bleak a a-
 i e f ch l gical de, he ai cha ace c ld
 a dal e ice he a i i ade he a a a i e id. S
 I i e ed f i e d, cla a e, h de d, e e a-
 hi ed, i h he ligh, b had he be e f i e a-
 e a d a fei i e all hei . Ye he e e hel le a
 ell. The c ld a e hei f i e d fe1 ee id. SI i e 0. M le

i ai , a e e e a i e e . The e e e i f Pec la' ca e e e e d la gel f a c i l e d a d c i l i g f a i l .
 like he a e age black fa i l a d like he a a ' .
 B i g l a a Pec la' l i f e . a , I b e l i e d e a e c f
 h e . d a b i l i . e e l d g e d i a l l g g i l . I e l i g
 h e c i a l a d d e i c a g g e i h a c l d c a e a c h i l d
 l i e a l l f a l l a a , I e d a e i e f e j e c i , e
 i e , e e c e i a l , e e , a l l h e h i l e
 i g h a d a i d c l i c i i h e d e i a i c e
 P e c l a . a b j e c e d . T h a i , I d i d a d e h a -
 i e h e c h a a c e . h a h e d P e c l a a d c i b e d h e
 c l l a e .

O e b l e a c e e i g h e i g h f h e e l'
 i i d e l i c a e a d l e a b l e a c h a a c e c l d h a
 h e a d l e a d e a d e i h e c f f i i g h e a h e
 h a i a i e g a i f h e e l e f h e a h i g .
 M l i b e a k h e a a i e i a h a h a d b e
 e a e e b l e d b h e e a d e e e d e a g d i e a , h e
 e e c i f h i c h d e a i f e . B e i d e , i d i d '
 k : a e a d e e a i c h e d b e d .

The h e b l e f c e , a l a g a g e . H l d i g h e
 d e i i g g l a c e . h i l e a b a g i g i a d i f c l . The e l
 i e d h i h e a e e f a c i a l e l f - c e , e e i ,
 h e h e i i h a c i c b i h l a g a g e h a
 e l i c a e d h e a g e c I d i c e e d i e e i e c e f
 b e a . B e c a e h a e a a c i a l l i f e d (e
 e l i a h a c h l f i e d a e d : e b l e e e i
 a e b l a c k k i ; h e h a h e a d i g c c e f
 h e b e a i f l) , h e g g l e a f i i g h a a i d i -
 a b l b l a c k . I d ' e k i e h a h a i , b e i -
 h e h a h e a d i a l i f a e f f d
 k e e f i g e i .

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He e i h e h e . I i g e e a d . h i e . I h a a e d d . I i
 e e e . He e i h e f a i l . M h e , Fa h e , Dick , a d
 Ja e l i e i h e g e e - a d - h i e h e . The a e e
 h a . See Ja e . She h a a e d d e . She a l a . Wh
 ill l a i h Ja e ? See h e c a . I g e e . C e
 a d l a . C e l a i h Ja e . The k i e ill l a . See
 M h e . M h e i e i c e . M h e , ill l a i h
 Ja e ? M h e l a g h . La g h , M h e , l a g h . See Fa h e . He
 i b i g a d g . Fa h e , ill l a i h Ja e ? Fa h e i
 i l i g . S i l e , Fa h e , i l e . See h e d g . B e g e
 h e d g . D a l a i h Ja e ? See h e d g .
 R , d g . L k , l k . He e c e a f i e d . The
 f i e d . ill l a i h Ja e . The ill l a a g d g e .
 Pla , Ja e , l a .

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He ei heh ei i g ee a d hi ei ha a edd i
 i e e he ei he fa^{il} he fa he dick a d
 ja eli ei he g ee -a d hi eh e he a e e ha
 eeja e he ha a edd e he a la h ill la
 i hja e ee he ca i g e e c ea d la
 c la i hja e he ki e ill la ee he
 he i e ice he ill la i hja e he
 la gh la gh he la gh ee fa he he i big a d g
 fa he ill la i hja e fa he i ili g ile fa he
 ile ee he d g b . . . g e he d g d . . . a
 la d . . . a la i hja e ee he d g
 d g l kl k he ec af ie d hef ie d ill la
 i hja e he ill la ag d ga e la ja e la
 He ei heh ei i g ee a d hi ei ha a edd i i e e
 he ei he fa^{il} he fa he dick a d ja eli ei he g ee a d
 hi eh e he a e e ha eeja e he ha a edd e he a
 la h ill la i hja e ee he ca i g e e c ea
 d la c la i hja e he ki e ill la ee he
 e i e ice he ill la i hja e he la gh la gh
 he la gh ee fa he he i big a d g fa he ill la i hja
 e fa he i ili g ile fa he ile ee he d g b . . . g e he
 d g d . . . a la d . . . a la i hja e ee he d g
 d g l kl k he ec af ie d hef ie d ill la i hja
 e he ill la ag d ga e la ja e la

1. The first part of the text discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records in a business setting. It emphasizes that proper record-keeping is essential for legal compliance, financial reporting, and operational efficiency. The author notes that many small businesses often neglect this critical aspect, leading to potential legal issues and financial discrepancies.

2. The second part of the text explores various methods for organizing and storing business records. It compares traditional paper-based systems with modern digital solutions, highlighting the advantages of digital storage in terms of space efficiency and ease of access. The author also discusses the importance of data security and backup procedures when using digital systems.

3. The third part of the text provides practical advice on how to implement a record-keeping system. It suggests starting with a clear classification system for different types of records, such as financial documents, contracts, and correspondence. The author also recommends regular audits to ensure that records are up-to-date and accurate.

4. The final part of the text concludes by reiterating the importance of record-keeping and offers some final thoughts on how to integrate it into a business's overall management strategy. The author encourages business owners to view record-keeping as a valuable investment in their business's long-term success.

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N g b a i e a l , a d d k e e a d b e
 e e i g i h e l b b f h e G e e k h e l . R e a
 Villa cci, e -d f i e d . h l i e a b e h e
 f a h e ' c a f , i i a r , B i c k e a i g b e a d a d b e .
 S h e l l d h e i d e l l i e F i e d a a d
 e h a e c a ' c e i . W e a e a h e , a i g h e
 b e a d , b e h a h a a i g k e h e a g a c e
 f h e e e a d a h h e i d e f e h i h a
 c l h e c h e i g h . W h e h e c e f h e c a
 e . i l l b e a h e , a k e e d a k h e h i e k i ,
 a d h e . i l l c a d a k d e . a h e l l h e
 a d . W e . i l l a . W e d ' k h a e
 h l d f e e l d i f h e d e , b h e e e h e a k ,
 e k h e i f f e i g e h i g e c i a d h a
 i d e b e a e e d b e f i g a c c e .
 S c h l h a a e d , a d F i e d a a d I g e e b
 c k i g a d c d - l i e i l . G - a l k i i e d , e d g
 i c e a b Z i c k ' C a l C a a d a k e a l g i

he e e i g he ail ad ack . he e e ll b la
ack . i h he i iece fc all i gab . La e e
alk h e, gla ci g back ee he gea cal ad f
lag bei g d ed, ed h a d ki g, i he a i e
ha ki he eel ill. The d i g eligh he k i h
ad ll a ge gl . F ieda a d I lag behi d, a i ga he
a ch fc l ded b black. I i i ble
feel a hi e . he feelea e he ga el a ha d
i ki he dead ga i he eld.

O h ei ld, c ld, a d gee . A igh a ke e e
la ligh e la ge . The he a e b aced i
da k e , e led b ache a d ice. Ad l d
alk he gi e di ec i . The i e de
i h idi gi f ai . Whe e i a d fall
d he gla ce a ; if ec b ie el e , he
a k a e e ca . Whe e ca ch c ld , he hake
hei head i di g a lack fc ide a i . H ,
he a k , d e ec a b d ge a hi g d e
if all a e ick? We ca a e he . O ill e i
ea ed. i h c , f l Black D a gh , a d ca il
ha bl i d .

Whe , a da a fe a i c llec c al, I c gh
ce, l dl , h gh b chial be al ead acked
igh i h h leg, he f . Gea Je . Ge
i ha bed. H a i e d I ha e ell
ea e hi g head? Y be he bigge

f be , d ll f

g il a d elf- i . I i he d g d (ea) e eall)TJTg t
ff, f I i c d ihea c ki l e k. I hake , l g

ie f b d hea i lace i he bed. O ce I ha e
ge e a ed a ilh e e f a h, I da e e, f
he ei a c ld lace e-half i chi a di ec i .N
e eak e a k h . I feel. I a h
he c e . He ha d a e la ge a d gh, a d
he he b he Vick al e che , I a igid
i h ai . She ake ge 'f ll fi a a e, a d
a age che il I a fai . J he I hi k I
ill i e i a c ea, he c a li le f he
al e he f e ge a d i i h, elli g
e all . A h a eli . a ed ab eck
a d che . I a c e ed i h hea il a d de ed
ea , hich I d l .

La e I h , a d he a , Wha did
ke he bed cl he f ? D ' ha e e e
e gh h ld head he bed? N , l k ha
did. Y hi k I g ie f hi g b a hi g
ke?

The ke addle d he ill he hee
g ee -g a , i h eck f a ge. I e like he i ide
fa c ked egg. S bb l cli gi g i a ,

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de i e a e a k e f l e i g h e i c k e a k e h l .
B a d b l i l l g e i c k ; l i l l e f e . B f
I a a c i g . I k . I a a a k i g e , b I c a ' .

M i e c e i . H e e e a e f l l f . S h e
i g e : W h e h e d e e l e f a l l e l e e
g a d e a l l , e e h i k f e I d e ,
h i k i g f l , a l l , a d e e .

B a i e a l l l i k e h a ? A i f l a I e e b e ?
O l i d l . O a h e , i a a d c i e a d
f c i f i g a i . L e , h i c k a d d a k a A l a g a ,
e a e d i h a c a c k e d . i d . I c l d e l l i a e
i e e , i h a e d g e f i e g e e i i
b a e e e h e e i h a h e . I c k , a l g . i h
g e , h e f e d . i d . a e . I c a e d c h e ,
a l g . i h h e a l e , a d . h e h e a e l c a e d e
i l e e , h e c l e a , h a c e f a i l i e d i
e e c e h a . A d i h e i g h , h e
c g h i g . a d a d g h , f e e a d d e d i h e
h a d e i e d h e a e l , e a d j e d h e i l , a d
e e d a e e f e h e a d . S h e I h i k f
a , I h i k f e b d . i h h a d . h d e
a e d i e .

L a a h e M . H e c a e . O e .
O e . T h e d b a l l e d f h e l i a d
h e e d a b h e a d i l e , e a a e , a d l e a a l
e i . M h e a a l l e a e a d a i f a c i i
d i c i g h i c i g .

Y k h i h e a i d h e f i e d . H e
W a h i g . H e ' b e e l i i g e h e e . i h M i D e l l a

J e Thi ee hS ee .B he' addled
kee .S he' l ki gf a he lace.

z Oh, e . He fie d d hide hei c i i . I
bee de i gh . l ghe . a g i g a he e
i h he . The a he' eal bad ff . D ' k h he
i half he i e , a d b d e e .

z Well, ha ld c a igge he a ied i h did '
hel he head e .

z Did hea ha he ldf lk he he lef he ?

z Uh- h. Wha ?

z Well, he ff. i h ha i i g Pegg . f El ia.
Y k .

z O e f Old Slack Be ie' gi l ?

z Tha ' he e . Well, eb d a ked hi h he
lef a ice g d ch ch . a like Della f ha heife .
Y k . Della al a did kee a g d h e . A d he
aid he h e - -G d eal ea a he c ld ' ake
e f ha i le . a e Della J e ed . Said he
a ed a . a ell like a . a . Said Della . a
j clea f hi .

z Old d g . Ai ' ha a !

z Y elli g e . Wha ki d f ea i gi ha ?

z N ki d . S e e j d g .

z I ha . ha gi e he he ke ?

z M ha e hel ed . B k , e f he gi l
a ' b igh . Re e be ha gi i g Ha ie? She
a ' e e igh . A d hei A ie J lia i ill i g
a d d . Si ee hS ee alki g he elf .

z Did ' he ge a a ?

z Na . C ld ' ake he . Said he . a '
ha i g a b d .

z Well, he' ha i g e . Y a e hi g ca e

he li g hi f , ge a e- hi i he
i g like I d a d ee ha ld hag a i g b i ha
b e . Ha e c !

The la gh.

F i e d a d I a e . a hi g Ma ja . We d hea
hei d , b i h g - e li e a d . a ch
f hei ice .

Well, I h e d ' b d le e a a d like
ha he I ge e ile . I ' a ha e .

Wha he g i g d ab Della? D ' he ha e
e le?

A i e ' c i g f N h Ca li a l k
af e he . I e ec he . a ge ah l f Della'
h e .

Oh, c e . Tha ' a e il h gh , if e e I hea d
e .

Wha a be ? He Wa hi g aid ha
i e ai ' ee Della i fee ea .

ha . T aeg '

gh I

- 2 I'll ill. H ch cha gi g?
- 2 Fi ed lla e e eek .
- 2 Tha 'll be a big hel .
- 2 I'll a .

Thei c e a i i like a ge l icked da ce: d
 ee d, c ie , hie , a d e i e . A he
 de e b i aged b ill a he : he
 ci cle each he a d . S ie hei d e
 i l f i al ; he ie he ake ide lea , a d
 all fi i c a ed. i h. a l ed la gh e like
 he h b f a hea ade fjell . The edge, he c l, he
 h f hei i i al a clea Fieda a d e.
 We d , ca , k he ea ig f all hei d ,
 f e a e i e a d e ea ld. S e. a ch hei
 face , hei ha d , hei fee , a d li e f hi
 i b e.

S he M. He a i ed a Sa da igh , e
 elled hie . He elled de f l. Like ee a d lea
 a i hi g c ea , a d N Nile Hai Oil a d eck f Se -
 Se .

He iled a l , h i g alle e ee h. i h a
 fie dl ga i he iddle. Fieda a d L ee
 i d ced hie el i ed . Like, he ei he
 ba h ; he cl he cl e i he e; a d he e a e
 kid , Fieda a d Cla dia; a ch f hi i d ; i
 d ' e all he a .

We l ked ide a a hie , a i g hi g a d
 e ec i g hie a hi g. J d, a he had d e
 a he cl he cl e , ack ledgi g e i e ce. T
 i e, he ke .

D g B eedl e had b ed hi h e, g e ide hi
 .ife' head, a d e e b d , a a e l , . a d .

O d , . e k e , . a he eal e f life. The
 h ea f bei g d faced f e e l i h e
 da . E e ibili f e ce . a c ailed. i h i . If
 eb d a e ch, he c lde d d . If
 eb d ed ch c al, he c lde d d .
 Pe le c ld ga, ble he, el e d , d i k
 he, el e d . S e i e he hei
 d , a d . he ha ha e ed, ega dle f. ha
 he had d e, all a h a i h h i . He a
 d , a d h i e h had d e i . T be
 d b a la dl d . a e hi g f a e, b
 a a ec f life e . hich had c l, i ce
 c ld c l i c . B be lack
 e gh e elf d , hea le e gh
 e' ki d . ha a c i i al.

The e i a diffe e ce be ee bei g . a d bei g
 . If a e , g e he e el e;
 if a e d , he e i lace g . The
 di i c i . a b le b al. O d . a he e d f
 e hi g, a i e cable, h ical fac , de i g a d
 c le i g e a h ical c di i . Bei g a
 i i i b h ca e a d cla , e ed ab
 a a he he, f life, ggli g c lida e
 . eak e e a d ha g , c ee i gl i he
 aj f ld f he ga . O e i he al e i e ce,
 h e e , a e hi g . e had lea ed deal
 . i h b abl beca e i . a ab ac . B he
 c c e e e f bei g d . a a he a e . like
 he diffe e ce be ee he c ce f dea h a d bei g, i

fac, dead. Dead de ' cha ge, a d d i he e
a .

K i g ha he e. a cha hi ga d b ed
i a h ge f e , f e hi . The
e i fa a d, a ch, a g a e a b . P e ied
black e le e all hei e e gie , all hei l e, hei
e . Like f e ied, de e a e bi d , he e dec a ed
e e hi g; f ed a d dge ed e hei ha d-
h e ; ca ed, jellied, a d e e ed all e ll he
c b a d a d hel e ; he ai ed, icked, a d ked a
e e c e f hei h e . A d he e h e l ed
like h h e e a g he f eed ha
e e he e ed h e . Re i g black ca f i e gla ce
a he e ed a d a d che , a d ade e
c i e b he el e ice li le ld
lace. I he ea i e, he a ed, a d c a ched, a d
iled a a ha he c ld i he e ed h el , l ki g
f a d he da f e .

Ch ll B eedl e, he , a e i g black, ha i g hi

g e , i g h a d k e e h e f ❖ feeli g
d .

W h e e d i c e e d h a h e c l e a l d i d . a
d ❖ i a e , e l i k e d h e . S h e l a g h e d . h e I c l e d

He e, he aid, hi i bea if l, a d if a e
 hi da ' h ' a ha ei. I ge ed he face,
 de i ga he i gle- ke e eb ; icked a he
 ea l ee h ck like ia ke be ee ed
 b li eli . Taced he ed- e, ked he gla
 bl ee eball , i ed he ell hai. Ic ld l ei .
 B Ic lde a i ei ee. ha i . a ha all he
 ld aid. a l able. Beak ff he i ge , be d
 he a fee, l e he hai, i he head a d, a d
 he hi gade e d a d he aid. a he
 ee a d lai i ec Ma a, b hich ded
 e like he blea f a d i gla b, e eci el ,
 iceb d e i g hi ge i J l . Re e he
 c ld a d ide eball, i ld blea ill, Ahhhhhh,
 ake ff he head, hake he a d , cack he back
 agai he b a bed ail, i ld blea ill. The ga e
 back. ld li, a d Ic ld ee he di k. i h i h le ,
 he ec e f he d. A e e e al d e .

G e le f ed a d f ed: Y -d ' -k -
 h - -ake-ca e- f- hi g. I- e e -had-a-bab -d ll i -
 h le-life-a d- ed- -c -e e - f - he .
 N - -g - e-a-bea if l- e-a d- -ea -i- -
 ha ' - he a e - i h- ?

H g. a hei age. Tea h ea e ed
 e a e heal f e f hei a h i . The e i f
 ea f f l lled l gi g ee ed i hei ice . I did
 k h I de ed h e d ll . B I did k
 ha b d e e a ked e. ha L a ed f Ch i a .
 Had a ad l . i h he e f l l de i e ake
 e i l a d a ked e. ha L a ed, he ld
 ha ek ha I did a ha ea hi g ,
 e a bjec . I a ed a he feel

e hi g Ch i a da . The eal e i . ld
 ha e bee , Dea Cla dia, ha e e ie ce. ld
 like Ch i a ? I c ld ha e ke , L a
 i he l . li Big Ma a' ki che . i h la
 f ll flilac a d li e Big Pa a la hi i li f e
 al e. The l e f he l adef b d , he
 ec i a d a h f Big Ma a' ki che , he ell f
 he lilac , he d f he ic, a d, i ce i . ld be
 g d ha e all f e e e gaged, he a e fa
 each, e ha , af e . a d.

I ead I a ed a d elled he ac id e f i la e
 a d c de ig ed f ea a ie ha b ed e. I ead I
 l ked. i h l a hi g e de e ha e i ed a
 ha e f l ba hi a gal a i ed i c b bef e. ea i g.
 Sli i ga d he i c, i e la ak, f
 he a e chilled fa , i e e j e'
 aked e , l i e ake c ai f a . a e
 ca ee d . be ee he leg . The he c a ch . el
 a d he d ead f la d h ilia i g ab e ce f di . The
 i i able, i a gi a i e clea li e . G e he i k a k
 f leg a d face, all c ea i a d acc la i f
 he da g e, a d e laced b g e i le .

I de ed. hi e bab d ll .

B he di e be i g f d ll . a he e h .
 The l h i f i g hi g. a he a fe e ce f he
 a e i le li le. hi e gi l . The i diffe e ce. i h
 . hich I c ld ha e a ed he a hake l b
 de i e d . T di c e . ha el ded : he ec e f
 he agic he ea ed he . Wha a de e le
 l ka he a d a , A . , b f ? The
 e e lide f black. e a he a ached he he

ee, a d he e i e ge le e f hei cha he
ha dled he.

If I i ched he, hei e e like he c a ed gli f
he bab d ll' e e . l d f l d i ai , a d hei c
ld be he d fa iceb d , b a
fa ci a i g c f ai . Whe Ilea ed h . e lie hi
di i e e ed i le ce . a , ha i . a e lie beca ei
a di i e e ed, ha e de ed ab f ef ge.
The be hidi g lace . a l e . Th he c e i f
i i e adi fab ica ed ha ed, f a d le l e . I
a a all e Shi le Te . Ilea ed ch la e
hi he, j a Ilea ed deligh i clea li e ,
k i g, e e a Ilea ed, ha he cha ge . a
adj e i h i e .

The e a f ilk. Tha ' . ha . a . ha iceb
e e da . The e h le a . N . he ai ' e . N
a d . I d ' i d f lk c i gi a d ge i g . ha
he a , b h ee a f ilk! Wha he de il d e
b d eed . i h . a f ilk?

The f lk he a efe i g . a Pec la.
The h ee f , Pec la, F ieda, a d I, li e ed he
d . ai i he ki che f i g ab he f
ilk Pec la had d k . We k he . a f d f he
Shi le Te le c a d ke e i di k
ilk fi j ha dle a d ee . ee Shi le ' face.
M he k e ha F ieda a d I ha ed ilk a d
a ed Pec la d a ki f g eedi e . I . a
ce ai l f di e he . We did ' i i a e
alk . i h g . ; e a . e ed hei e i .

A ha₁ed f he i l ha . e e bei g hea ed
 fie d, . e j a he e: I icked e ja₁, F ieda clea ed
 he ge ail . i h he ee h, a d Pec la ge - aced
 . e ca he k ee he head c cked e ide. M
 . he ' f i g lil ie al a i i a ed a d
 de e ed . The . e e i e . i able, i li g, a d
 al h gh i di ec (Ma₁a e e a₁ed a b d . j
 alked ab f lk a d . e le), e e₁el ai f li
 hei h . She . ld g like ha f h ,
 c ec i g e ffe e a he il all f he hi g
 ha chag i ed he . e e e ed . The , ha i g ld
 e e b d a de e hi g ff, he . ld b i g
 a d i g he e f he da . B i . a ch al g i₁e
 bef e he i gi g a ca₁e. I he . ea i₁e,
 . ach jell i g a d eck b i g, . eli e ed,
 a ided each he ' e e , a d icked e ja₁
 . ha e e .

2 . . . Id ' k . ha P₁ e be i g
 he e, a cha i . a d, I g e . Ti₁e f . e ge f
 he . li e a d ge i he . . li e. I g e I ai ' .
 . ha e hi g. P₁ . e d i he
 h e. L k like hi g I d i g i g kee . e
 f he e. F lk j e d all hei i₁e i g
 g e . a e d he h e. I g ab
 a . ch b i e . i ha he . h feed a a ca ha
 . i h ide cke . A if I d ' ha e ble e gh
 i g feed . a d kee he h e, .
 I g . e hi g el e i he e ha ' j g i g . e
 i he e. Well, a , he ai ' . N l g a I g
 e gh i . b d a da g e i . head. The e' a
 li₁i e e hi g. I ai ' g hi g j h .
 D ' b d eed . a f . ilk. He

d ' eed h ee a f iilk. Tha ' j
 d . igh . f l. P iilli g d . ha I ca f f lk .
 Ca ' b d a I ai ' . B hi ha g , a d P
 j he e i . Bible a . a cha a a .
 F lk j d he child e ff a dg ' b
 he b i e . Ai ' b d e e i he e ee
 . he he ha child ha a l af f b ead . L k like he
 . ld j i ee . he he I had a l af f b ead
 gi e he . B a . Tha h gh d ' c he i d .
 Tha ld i i g Ch ll bee f jail . h le da
 a dai ' bee he e ee if hi child . a ' li e
 dead . She c ld be f all he k . A d ha
 ei he . Wha ki d f hi gi ha ?

Whe Ma a g a d He F da d all h e
 e le . h did ' ca e . he he he had a l af f b ead , i
 a i e g . We a ed he a ab
 R e el a d he CCC ca .

F ieda g a d a ed d . he ai . Pec la a d I
 f ll . ed , aki g a . ide a c a id he ki che
 d . a . We a he e f he ch , he e
 he ' d c ld each l i .

I . a a l e Sa da . The h e lled f Fel
 Na h ha a d he ha d f a dg ee c ki g .
 Sa da e e l e , f , a da . Sec di
 e l h e igh , a ch , c gh-d S da ,
 f ll f d ' a d e ' cha elf d .

If he a i a i gi g d , i a ' bad .
 She . ld i g ab ha d , bad , a d
 eb d -d e-g e-a d-lef - i . B he ice
 a ee a d he i gi g-e e el If d elf
 l gi g f h e ha d i , ea i g be g .
 i h a hi di-i- i a . Il ked f . a d

he delici i₁e. he ₂ ₃ ₄ a ₅ ld lea e₆e,
 he I. ld₇ ha e ee ha e e i g g
 d. ... 'ca e he I. ld k ₂ ₃ ₄ a ha lef
 hi . Mi e c l ed b he g ee a d bl e i ₁
₂ he ' ice k all f he g ief f he. d a d
 lef ₃e. i h a c i c i ha ai . a l
 e d able, i . a . ee .

B ₁ i h g, h e Sa da a ₂ head like
 a c al c le, a d if Ma₃a. a f i g, a he. a ,
 i . a like ₄e b d h i g e a i .

₁ ... a d he e I a₂ a a b l f ak₃e. Wha
 d he hi k I a₄? S ₅e ki d f Sa d Cla ? Well,
 he ca j ake he cki g d . 'ca e i .
 Ch i ₁a ...

We dge ed.

₁ Le ' d ₂e hi g, F ieda aid.

₁ Wha d ₂ a d ? I a ked.

₁ I d ' k . N hi g. F ieda a ed a he f
₂ he ee . Pec la l ked a he fee .

₁ Y a g M . He ' ₂ a d l k a
 hi gi lie ₃aga i e ?

F ieda ₁ade a gl face. She did ' like l k a
 di ic e . ₂ Well, I c i ed, ₃ ec ld l k a hi
 Bible. T . e . F ieda cked he ee h a d ₄ade a
 d. i h he li . ₅ O.K., he . We c ld g
 head eedle f he half-bli d lad . She'll gi e a
 e .

F ieda ed. ₁ He e e l k like . I d ' feel
 like l ki g a he₂. Wha . a d , Pec la?

₁ I d ' ca e, he aid. ₂ A hi g . a .

I had a he idea. ₁ We c ld g he alle a d ee
 ha ' i he a h ca .

z T c ld, aid F ieda. She a b ed a d i i able.

z I k . . . We c ld ake e f dge.

z Y kiddi g? Wi h Ma a i he e f i g? Whe he

z a f i ga he all, k he' g a be a i
all da . She ld ' e e le .

z Well, le' g e he G eek h el a d li e
he c .

z Oh, h a d . . . Be ide , he a he a e
ld. d all he i e.

z M l f idea e ha ed, I bega c ce a e
he. hi e ge ail . The al ig i ed
he be f b f ie d I. ld ha e. Se e .

z Ma a' lil lid i he ile ce . . . Bible a
feed he h g . Tha' e. Tha' all igh . B I ai '
feedi g ele ha A b d eed h ee a f
ilk eed ge f he e. The i he. g
lace. Wha i hi ? S e ki d f fa ?

z S dde l Pec la b l ed aigh , he e e ide. i h
e . A. hi i g d ca e f he h.

z Wha' he a e i h F ieda d .

z The e b h l ked. he e Pec la. a a i g. Bl d
a i g d . he leg . S e d e e he
e . I lea ed . He . Y c elf? L k. I' all
e d e .

z A b i h-ed ai di c l ed he back f he d e .
She ke hi i g, a di g. i h he leg fa a a .

z F ieda aid, Oh. L d ! I k . . . I k . . . ha ha
i !

z Wha ? Pec la' ge e he h.

z Tha' i i a i' .

z Wha' ha ?

z Y k . . .

~ A~ I g i g die? he a ked.

~ N . Y . ' die. I j ea ca ha e a
bab !

~ Wha ?

~ H d k ? L a ick a d i ed fF ieda
k i g e e hi g.

Fieda ld Pec la h ld he c hi g be ee
he leg .

H he g a alk like ha ? I a ked .

Fieda did ' a e . I ead he k afe i
f he he f he ki a d bega i he e d f
he a ki Pec la' d e .

I icked he a i h ge a dl ked
ab f e hi g dig a h le i h . A li g i e
i he b he a led e , a d i g a di , I a a
ai f fa ci a e e e i a d gh- hi e face . R e a
a a chi g . I g abbed f he face a d cceeded i
c a chi g he e . She c ea ed a d j ed back .

M . MacTee ! M . MacTee ! R e a h lle ed .
Fieda a d Cla dia a e he e la i g a ! M .
MacTee !

Ma a e ed he i d a dl ked d a .

Wha ?

The ' e la i g a , M . MacTee . L k . A d
Cla dia hi e ' ca e I ee he !

Ma a la ed he i d h a d ca e i g
he back d .

Wha all d i g ? Oh . Uh-h h . Uh-h h . Pla i g
a , h h ? She eached i he b he a d lled ffa
i ch . I d a he ai e ig ha e a gi l . Lea
I ca la gh e .

We bega h iek . N , Ma a . N , a ' a . We
a ' ! She ' a lia ! N , a ' a , Ma a ! N , a ' a ,
Ma a !

Ma a g abbed Fieda b he h lde , ed he
a d , a d ga e he h ee f i gi g c he
leg . G a be a , h h ? Na ai ' !

Fieda. a de ed. Whi i g . ded a d
i l ed he .

Ma₂a l ked a Pec la. ₂ Y ! he aid. ₂ Child
f ₂i e ! She g abbed Pec la a d he
a d. The afe i a ed e e e d f he
a ki , a d Ma₂a a i fall f ₂ de he d e . The
i ch h e ed i he ai . hile Ma₂a bli ked. ₂ Wha
he de ili g i g he e?

Fieda. a bbi g. I, e i li e, bega e lai .
₂ She. a bleedi g. We. a j i g he
bl d!

Ma₂a l ked a Fieda f e i ca i . Fieda
dded. ₂ She' ₂i i a i '. We. a j hel i g.
Ma₂a elea ed Pec la a d d l ki g a he . The
he lled b h f he ₂ a d he , hei head agai
he ₂ach. He e e e e . ₂ All igh , all igh .
N , c i g. I did ' k . C ₂e , . Ge
i he h e. G h ₂e, R e₂a . The h i
e .

We ed i , Fieda bbi g iel , Pec la ca i g
a. hi e ail, ₂e ca i g he li le-gi l-g e- : ₂a
a .

Ma₂a led he ba h ₂. She dded Pec la
i ide, a d aki g he de. ea f ₂₂e, ld a

We c ld hea . a e i gi he ba h b.

₂ Y hi k he' g i g d he ?

₂ Oh, Cla dia. Y d ₂b. She' j g i g a h
he cl he a d all.

₂ Sh ld. e bea R e₂a ?

₂ N . Lea e he al e.

T

The a e g hed, a d e i g hi g. e c ld hea
he ɪc f ɪ ɪ he ' la gh e .

Tha igh, i bed, he h ee f la ill. We e e f ll f
a e a d e e c f Pec la. Li g e a eal e
h a eall ɪ i i a i ' a ɪh . ac ed. She
a diffe e f ɪ g - -like. She, he elf,
fel he di a ce, b e f e d l di e .

A f e a l g. hile he ke e f l . I i e ha
I ca ha e a bab ?

ɪ S e, a id F i e d a d . il . S e ca .

ɪ B . . . h ? He ice a h ll . i h . de .

ɪ Oh, a id F i e d a, ɪ ɪ e b d ha l e .

ɪ Oh.

The e a a l g a e i . hich Pec la a d I h gh
hi e . I . l di l e, I ed, ɪ ɪ a , h ,
b e f e l e a i g ɪ e, l d l e ɪ e . B he e e e ' a
babie i he g ɪ ɪ he a g. Ma be ha ' h
he . ɪ e e e ad: he ɪ e l e f b e f e he c ld ɪ ake
a bab .

The Pec la a k e d a e i ha had e e e e ed
ɪ ɪ i d. ɪ H d d ha ? I ɪ e a , h d ge
ɪ e b d l e ? B F i e d a . a a l e e . A d I
did ' k .

... e e i e e ed, a ... ice ... he habi . B l g bef e he
 d f hei l i g a d he igh f hei ee i g, he
 bildi g. a lea ed a H ga ia bake, de l fa
 f hi bi che a d - eed ll . Ea lie ha ha , he e
 a a eal-e a e f ce he e, a d e e bef e ha ,
 g ie ed i a a ba e f e a i . The g fa
 ga e he la ge la e-gla i d . a ch di i c i a d
 cha a c e a i e e had. The gi l f he fa
 i g be. ee a d f el e d a e ie a d O ie al g
 ha gi ga he. i d . . The l ked a d cca i all
 iled, i ked, beck ed l cca i all . M l
 he l ked, hei elab a e d e e , l g- lee ed a d l g-
 ki ed, hidi g he aked e ha di hei e e .

S id ha he la i i ha a ea bee , ha ba-
 bl e be l ge, l ge ag , bef e he i e f
 he g ie a d he f he ee -age he he
 B eedl e li ed he e, e led ge he i he ef .
 Fe e i g ge he i he deb i fa eal ' hi . The
 li ed i a d f he b f eeli g ga , aki g i
 i he eighb h d, di he lab f ce, a d
 a e i he a ' f ce. Each be f he fa
 cell f c ci e , each aki g hi a ch k
 il f eali c llec i g f ag e f e e ie ce he e,
 iece f i f a i he e. F he i i e i
 glea ed f ea he, he cea ed a e e f bel gi g
 a d ied ake d i h he. a he f d each he .

The la f he li i g a e a a i a g i a i e a a
 -ge e a i G eek la dl d c ld c i e i be. The
 la ge e a ea a a i i ed i b
 bea e b a d la k ha did each he ceili g. The e
 a a li i g hich he fa
 called he f

a d he bed he e all he li i g. a d e. I he f
ee , a igh ia , a da i a i cial
Ch i a ee. hich had bee he e, dec a ed a d d -
lade , f ea . The bed had h ee bed : a a
i bed f Sa , f ee ea ld, a he f Pec la,
ele e ea ld, a d a d ble bed f Ch ll a d M .
B eedl e. I he ce e f he bed f he e e di i-
b i f hea , d a c al e. T k , chai , a all
e d able, a d a ca db a d . a d be cl e e e laced
a d he. all . The ki che a i he back f hi a a -
e , a e a a e . The e e e ba h facili e . O l
a ile b l, i acce ible he e e, if he ea , f he
e a .

The ei hi g e a ab he f i hi g . The
e ea hi g b de c ibable, ha i g bee c cei ed, a -
fac ed, hi ed, a d ld i a i a e f h gh le -
e , geed, a d i diffe e ce. The f i e had aged
i h e e ha i g bec fa familia . Pe le had ed i,
b e e k i . N e had l a e a b ch
de he c hi fei he fa a d e be ed he lace
a d i e f hel he di g. N e had cl cked a d
aid, B L i j a e ag . L a i i g igh he e
alki g . . . He e i i . I ha e li ed d .
hile L a feedi g he bab ! N e had gi e bi hi
e f he bed e be ed. i h f d e he eed
ai lace , beca e ha ' ha he bab , he he lea ed
ll hi elf , ed ick l e. N h if child had
cked a. ad f g de he able. N ha d k a

i Ch i a ee a d ee be ed. he he had dec -
a edi, de ed if ha bl e ball. a g i g h ld, if
HE. ld e e c e back ee i.

The e e e ie a g h e iece. Ce ai l
ie be che i hed. Occa i all a i e -
ked a h ical eac i : a i c ea e facidi i a i i he
e i e i al ac, a ligh h f e i a i a he back
f he eck a c i c a ce di g he iece ff i -
e e e e called. The fa, f e a le. I had bee -
cha ed e, b he fab ic had li aigh ac he back
b he i e i a deli e ed. The e. ld ake he
e ibili

L ka he e, b dd. I a O.K. he I i he
ck. The e ca ' d a hi g ab i ce i' he
ck.... Li e i e a d L ck S ike b ea h.

B I d ' a e c ch if' i' b gh e .
Pleadi ge e a d igh e ed e icle .

T gh hi, b dd. gh hi

Y c ld ha e a fa, f c e ha i, if c ld
ha e a fa. B i did ' a e. Y ill had ge ge he
\$ o a h. If had a \$ o a h f a fa
ha a ed ff li, g d, a d h ilia i g
c ld ' ake a j i i gi. A d he j le e a k,
e adi ge e hi g. The i k fi ke f ai i g

ied, e e e led, a ha ed iee ff i e d ce
 a f e f l alai e ha a e i elf h gh he h e a d
 li i he deligh f hi g ela ed i.

The l li i g hi gi he Beedl e' h e. a he c al
 e, hich li ed i de e de l f e e hi g a d e e -
 e, i e be 2 d/ , ba ked, a i di -
 c e i , i i e f he fac ha he fa il fed i a d k e all
 he de ail f i egi e : i kle, d d ,
 ch The e e ed li e, g d , die acc d -
 i g i che a a. I he i g, h e e, i al a
 a die.

T T T
 T T
 T T

The B eedl e did li e i a ef beca e he e e
 ha i g e a dif c l adj i g he c back a he
 la . The li ed he e beca e he e e a d black,
 a d he a ed he e beca e he belie ed he e e gl .
 Al h gh hei e a adi i al a d l i f i g , i
 a i e . B hei gli e a i e . N ec ld
 ha e c i ced he ha he e e ele le l a d
 agg e i el gl . E ce f he fa he , Ch ll , h e gli-
 e (he e l f de ai , di i a i , a d i le ce di ec ed
 a d e hi g a d . eak e le) . a beha i , he e
 f he fa il . M . B eedl e , Sa B eedl e , a d
 Pec la B eedl e e hei gli e , i ,
 eak , al h gh i did bel g he . The e e , he
 all e e e cl el ge he de a f ahead . The
 l , i eg la hai li e , hich e e e e ei eg la i
 c a he aigh , hea e eb hich ea l e .
 Kee b c ked e , i h i le il . The had
 high cheekb e , a d hei ea ed f a d . Sha el li

hich called a e i he e l e b he e f he
 face. Y l ked a he a d. de ed. h he e e
 gl ; l ked cl el a dc ld d he ce. The
 eali ed ha i ca ef c ic i , hei c ic i . I
 a a h gh e e i all-k i g a e had
 gi e each e a cl ak f gli e ea , a d he had each
 acce di . i h e i . The a e had aid. Y a e
 gl e le. The had l ked ab he e l e a d a
 hi g c adic he a e ; a , i fac , f
 i lea i ga he f e e billb a d, e e e ie, e e
 gla ce. Ye , he had aid. Y a e igh . A d he k
 he gli e i hei ha d , he i a a a le e he
 a d e ab he ld i h i . Deal g i h i each
 acc di g hi . a . M . B eedl e ha dled he a a
 ac d e a : f he a ic la i f cha ac e, f -
 f a le he f e e l i agi ed . a he a -
 d . Sa ed hi a a . ea ca e he ai . He
 adj ed hi beha i i , ch e hi c a i he
 ba i fi : e le. h c ld be fa ci a ed, e e i ida ed
 b i . A d Pec la. She hid behi d he . C cealed, eiled,
 ecli ed ee i g f behi d he h d e eld ,
 a d he l ea f he e f he a k.

Thi fa il , a Sa da i gi Oc be , bega ,
 e b e , i f hei d ea f af e ce a d
 e gea ce i he a e e f hei ef .

M . B eedl e li ed i ele l f bed, a . ea e
 e he igh g . (hich . a a ld da d e), a d
 alked a d he ki che . He e g d f ade ha d,
 b d ; he i ed e. hi e ed he li le . I
 he ki che he ade i e i h d , fa ce , a d a .

The i e e e h l l , b h e h e a h e i e l i e d . e e
 . P e c l a e e d h e e e a d l a a i g a h e d e a d c a l
 e . C h l l e e b l e d , h a h e d a b i h e b e d f a
 e i e , a d h e a i e .

E e f h e e P e c l a l a , h e c l d e l l C h l l '
 . h i k e . T h e i e i h e k i c h e b e c a e l d e a d l e
 h l l . T h e e . a d i e c i a d e i M . B e e d l e '
 e e h a h a d h i g d i h h e e a a i f
 b e a k f a . T h i a a e e , e d b a e l e e i d e c e
 f h e a , a d e P e c l a i g h e h e a c h c l e a d
 a i h e b e a h .

C h l l h a d c e h e d k . U f a e l h e h a d
 b e e d k a e l , h e h l e b i e l d h a e
 e h i i g . B e c a e i h a d a k e l a c e i e
 d i a e l , h e c i g g h l d l a c k a e i ; i l d
 b e c a l c l a e d , i i e d , a d d e a d l .

M . B e e d l e c a e i f l i h e a d d a
 h e f f a a e l . C h l l l a .

I e e d e c a l i h i h e .

C h l l d i d e .

H e a e ? M . B e e d l e j a b e l . C h l l ' f .

C h l l e e d h i e e l l . T h e e e e d a d e a c
 i g . W i h e c e i , C h l l h a d a e e e e i

A , a !

I a i d I e e d e c a l . I ' a c l d a a . i c h ' i i h i
 h e . Y h i k e a l d ' f e e l h e l l e , b I ' e l d .
 I g d a l f a i g , b I a i ' g f e e .

L e a e ' l e .

N i l g e e e c a l . I f k i g l i k e a l e
 d ' g i e h e i g h b e a h a a I d i g i f ?
 Y e a i ' b i g i g i h i g . I f i a l e f ,

... e'd all be dead He ice. a like a ea ache i he
 b ai If hi k P g i g ade i he c ld
 a d ge i elf, 'd be e hi kagai .

z Id ' gi e a hi h ge i . A b bble f i le ce
 b i hi h a .

z Y g i g ge d k elf f ha bed a d ge
 e e c al ?

Sile ce.

z Ch ll !

Sile ce.

z D ' e hi i g , a . Y a e e
 d , a d P ll li e !

Sile ce.

z All igh . All igh . B if I ee e ce , j ce , G d
 hel b !

Sa a a a ke , b e e di g be a lee .
 Pec la ill held he ach cle a a d c e ed he
 b ea h . The all k e ha M . B eedl e c ld ha e ,
 ld ha e , a d had , g e c al f he hed , ha
 Sa Pec la c ld be di ec ed ge i . B he a -
 eled e e i g h g like he e f a di ge i lle l
 e ec a ai . A e ca ade f d ke e , a e h .

i e , had i ce ial cl e . The i , di i -
 g i hed da ha M . B eedl e li ed . e e ide i ed ,
 g ed , a d cla ed b he e a el . The ga e b a ce
 he i e a d h he i e di a d e called .
 The elie ed he i e e f e , ga e ga de
 he dead . I he e i le b eak i i e ha . e e
 he el e i e , he c ld di la he le a di agi a -
 i f . ha he belie ed be he e elf . T de i e
 he f he e gh . a de i e he f all he e a d ea -
 able e f life . Ch ll , b hi habi al d ke e a d

e i e , ided hea b h i h he a e ial he
 eeded aake hei li e le able. M .B eedl e c id-
 ed he elf a igh a d Ch i ia . a , b de ed
 i h a -c a , h G d a ed he i h.
 (Ch ll a be d ede i , f c e, a d ede i
 a ha dl he i . M .B eedl e a i e e edi
 Ch i he Rede e, b a he Ch i he J dge.) Of e he
 c ld be hea d di c i g. i h Je ab Ch ll , lead-
 i g. i h Hi hel he i ke he ba a d d . f hi
 ea-k ckle f ide. A d ce. he a d ke ge e
 ca a l ed Ch ll i he ed-h e, he c ea ed, Ge
 hi, Je ! Ge hi! If Ch ll had ed d i ki g, he
 ld e e ha e f gi e Je . She eeded Ch ll ' i
 de e a el . The l e he a k, he ilde a d e i e-
 ible he beca e, he e le did he a d he a k
 beca e. I he a e f Je .

N le did Ch ll eed he . She a e f he fe hi g
 abh e hi ha he c ld cha d he ef eh . He
 ed he he f all hi i a ic la e f a d
 ab ed de i e . Ha i g he, he c ld lea e hi elf i ac .
 Whe he a ill e g, Ch ll had bee i ed i
 e b he b . hi e . hile he a e l b
 ea e l e gaged i elici i g e al lea e f a li le
 c gi l . The had h e a a hligh igh hi
 behi d . He had ed, e i ed . The ch ckled . The bea
 f he a hligh did e . G , he aid . G
 a d i h . A d, igge, aake i g d . The a hligh did
 e . F e a Ch ll had ha ed he . hi e
 ; he ha ed, de i ed, he gi l . E e a half- e a b a ce
 f hi e i de, al g i h i ad he h ilia i ,
 defea , a d e a c la i , c ld i hi i
 de a i ha i ed hi elf b l hi elf.

S he h e c ld a d. He c ld l be
a d ed. S he ga e ha , .

Ch ll a d M . B eedl e f gh each he i h a
da kl b al f ali ha a alleled l b hei
l aki g. Taci l he had ag eed kill each he .
He f gh he he a a c a d gh a a i h fee, he
al f hi ha d , a d ee h. She, i , f gh back i a
el fe i i e a i h f i g a a d ke , a d
cca i all a a i ld ail a d hi head. The did
alk, g a , c e d i g he e bea i g . The e a
l he ed d f falli g hi g, a d e h
i ed e h.

The e a a diffe e ce i he eac i f he child e
he e ba le . Sa c ed f a hile, lef he h e,
he hi elf i he f a . He a k , b he i e he
a f ee , ha e a a f h e le ha
e - e e i e . O ce he g B ffal a d a ed he e
h . Hi e , he he b f ce ci c a ce, e e
lle . Pec la, he he ha d, e ic ed b ha d
e , e e i e ed i h e h d fe d a ce. Th gh he
e h d a ied, he ai a a c i e a i a dee .
She ggled be ee a e hel i g de i e ha e
ld kill he he, a da f d i h ha he he elf
c ld die. N he a a hi e i g, D ', M .
B eedl e. D '. Pec la, like Sa a d Ch ll , al a
called he he M . B eedl e.

D ', M . B eedl e. D '.

B M . B eedl e did.

B he g ace, d b , f G d, M . B eedl e ee ed.

J ce.

She a i he bed i h a di h a f ll f c ld
a e a d he i i Ch ll ' face. He a , ch ki g a d

i i g. Naked a d a he , he lea ed f he bed, a d i h
 a i g ackle, g abbed hi i fe a d he ai , a d he
 hi he . Ch ll icked he a d k cked he d .
 i h he back f hi ha d. She fell i a i i g i i , he
 back ed b Sa' bed f a e. She had le g f
 he di h a , a d bega hi a Ch ll ' high a d g i
 i h i. He hi f i he che , a d he d ed he
 a . D i g hi k ee, he ck he e e al i e i he
 face, a d he igh ha e cc bed ea l had he hi hi
 ha dagai he e al bed f a e. he hi i fe d cked.
 M . B eedl e k ad a age f hi e a e -
 i f bl a d li ed f hi each. Sa , h had
 a ched i ile ce hei ggli g a hi bed ide, dde l
 bega hi hi fa he ab he head. i h b h , h -
 i g Y aked f ck! e a d e a d e. M .
 B eedl e, ha i g a ched he d, a e lid, a
 i - e Ch ll a he a lli g hi elf f hi
 k ee , a d ck hi . bl , k cki g hi igh back
 i he e ele e f. hich he had ked hi .
 Pa i g, he h e a il e hi a d le hi lie.

Sa c ea ed, Kill hi! Kill hi!

M . B eedl el ked a Sa i h i e. C
 ha i e, b . She he e lid back i lace, a d

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The e e e e a e i ed e d. She al k e ha
The e e f he gil a ch l a ed be a ic l a l
i l i g a b , a ed ge a i e e e e e
f h i h e c l d a . B b b l e Pec la B eedl e!
B b b l e Pec la B eedl e! a d e e fail ge eal f
la gh e f h e i ea h , a d c k a ge f h e
acc ed.

I had cc ed Pec la i e ag ha if he e e ,
h e e e ha held he ic e , a d k e he igh if
h e e e f he e e diffe e , ha i a , bea if l , he
he elf l d be diffe e . He ee h e e g d , a d a lea
he e e a big a d a like f h e h e e
h gh c e . If he l ked diffe e , bea if l , a be
Ch ll l d be diffe e , a d M . B eedl e . Ma be
he 'd a , Wh , l k a e e ed Pec la . We ' d
bad hi g i f f h e e e e e .



Each igh , i h fail , he a ed f bl e e e .
Fe e l , f a ea he had a ed . Al h gh ha
di c aged , he a i h h e . T ha e h i g
a d e f l a ha ha e l d a k e a l g , l g i e .

Th , i h i a , i he bi di g c i c i ha
l a i acle c l d elie e he , he l d e e k h e

bea .She. l d ee l . ha he e. a ee: he e e f
he e le.

She. alk d . Ga de A e e a all g ce e
hich ell e ca d . Th ee e ie a e i he h e
li i g back a d f h be. ee he ck a d he i e le.
Wi h each e he feel he ai f l e f he c i agai
he f . A . ee , e d able, e e che i hed i i a i , f ll
f i e a d delica e ec i . The e i le f i e
c ide . ha b . N . , h . ee , he e d . a
a e e ge l b ffe ed b he fa i l i a a d he ef e l ed
i age . The da deli a he ba e f he ele h e le.
Wh , he . de , d e le call he eed ? She h gh
he e e e . B g . - a , Mi D i kee
he a d ice. N a da deli a . he e. H kie
e i black bab hka g i he eld . i h ba ke
ll he . B he d . a he ell . head . l
he jagged lea e . The ake da deli . Da deli
i e. N b d l e he head f a da deli . Ma be
beca e he a e a , g, a d .

The e . a he ide alk c ack ha ed like a Y, a d he
he e ha lif ed he c c e e f he di .
F e e l he l ghi g e had a de he i e ha
e. Ska e . l d g . ell e hi ide alk l d i . a ,
a d h ; i a de he . heel glide e e l , i h a i l d
hi . The e l a ed. alk . e e b a d c f -
able, a d he d f ka e . heel e . alk . a
g a i g.

The e a d he i a i a e hi g he a a d e e i -
e ced. The . e e eal he . She k e he . The . e e he
c de a d ch e f he . l d, ca ble f a la i
a d e i . She . ed he c ack ha a de he . ble;

T

he had hecl fda deli h e. hi e head , la
fall, he had bl a a ; h e ell head , hi fall, he
ee ed i . A d i g heade he a f he. ld,
a d he. lda a f he.

She clib f de e he d f Yac b . -
ki' F e h Veg. Mea a d S d ie S e. A bell i kle a
he e i . Sa di g bef e he c e , he l k a he
a a f ca die . All Ma Ja e , he decide . Th ee f a
e . The e i a e e ha beak e a la
deli e ea b e. he il a d al . hich c le
he ee ll f ca el. A eal fa ici a i e le
he ach.

She ll ffhe h e a d ake he h ee e ie . The
g a head f M . Yac b . kil e he c e . He
ge hi e e fhi h gh e c e he . Bl e e e .
Blea -d ed . Sl l , like I dia i g i e -
ce ibl a d fall, he l k a d he . S he e
be. ee e i a a d bjec , be. ee i i a d ie , hi e e
d a back, he i a e , a d h e . A ed i i i e
a d ace he e e ha he eed a e he eff f a
gla ce . He d e ee he , beca ef hi he e i hi g
ee . H ca a f - ea - ld . hi e ig a e-
kee e i h he a e f a e a d bee i hi h , hi
d h ed he d e-e ed Vi gi Ma , hi e ibili ie
bl ed b a e a a e fl , a li le black
gi l ? N hi gi hi life e e gge ed ha he fea . a -
ible , a de i able ece a .

Yeah?

She l k a hi a d ee he ac he e c i i
gh l dge . A d hi g e . The al ab e ce f
h a ec g i i he gla ed e a a e e . She d e
k ha kee hi gla ce e ded . Pe ha beca e he

i g , a a , a d he a li le gi l. B he ha ee
 i ee , di g , ee a ge i g ale ee . Ye hi
 ac i e he . I ha a edge; e he ei he
 b lid i he di a e . She ha ee i l ki gi he ee
 f all hi e e le . S . The di a e be f he , he
 black e . All hi g i he a e a da i ci a i . B
 he black e i a i ca d d ead . A di i he black e ha
 acc f , ha c ea e , he ac edged . i h di a ei
 . hi e e e .

She i he ge a he Ma Ja e . a li le black
 haf f ge , i i e ed he di la i d . The
 iel i ffe i e a e i f a black child' a e
 c i ca e . i h a . hi e ad l .

z The . The . di e igh ha e e .

z Wha ? The e ? The e ? Phleg a di a ie ce i gle
 i hi ice .

She hake he head, he ge i ed he
 . hich, i he ie , a a e , ide i e he Ma Ja e . He
 ca ee he ie he a gle f hi i i , he la f he
 ge , ake i i c e he ible hi . Hi l ed
 ha d l a di he gla ca i g like he agi a ed head
 f a chicke aged b hel fi b d .

z Ch i . Ka cha alk ?

Hi ge b h he Ma Ja e .

She d .

z Well, h ' a ? O e ? H a ?

Pec la f ld he , h i g he he e e ie . He
 c h ee Ma Ja e a d he h ee ell . ec a -
 gle i each acke . She h ld he e a d hi . He
 he i a e , a i g ch he ha d . She d e k
 h e he ge f he igh ha d f he di la
 c e h ge he c i f he lef ha d . Fi all

he eache e a d ake he e ie f he ha d. Hi
ail g a e he daa al.

O ide, Pec la feel he i e licable ha e ebb.

Da deli . A da f affec i lea f he
he. B he d l ka he a dd e dl e back.
She hi k , The gl . The eed . Pe cc ied
i h ha e elai , he i he ide alk c ack. A ge
i a d ake i he ; i e i h, a d like a h -
hed , la he d edge f he ha e.

A ge i be e. The ei a e e f bei gi a ge. A eal-
i a d e e ce. A a a e e f h. I i al el g-
i g. He h gh fall back M. Yac b . ki' e e , hi
hleg ice. The a ge ill h ld; he i ea -

P la d, f e e i i g, f e e i g i g. Chi a, i i g a
ale-g ee ki che chai, f e e a d f e e c li g he hai.
Ma ie e e g ead.

The. 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 e e f i e d l, b l. begi alk. Pec la
al a k he i i i a i e. i h Ma ie, h, ce i i ed,
a dif c l.

𐤀 H. c 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 g 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 a b f i e d, Mi Ma ie?
𐤀 f i e d? f i e d? Chi li ', I ai ' ee a
i ce i e e e a d. e - e e.

𐤀 Y did ' ee e he. Chi a ck he h c le
i a i f N Nile hai d e i g. The il hi ed a he
ch f he h 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 al.

𐤀 H. c 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀, Mi Ma ie? Pec la i i ed.

𐤀 H. c 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀. ha? H. c 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 I ai ' ee a b i ce
i e e e a d. e - e e? Beca e he ai ' b
i ce he. Tha' he he ed. F lk ' a ed ge i '
b ld.

𐤀 Y 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 ha' he g ld, Chi a aid.

𐤀 I ai ' e e g ld. J fa.

𐤀 Sa 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 hi g.

𐤀 Y hi k 'ca e ki, f lk hi k g?
Y 'd 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 ake a hai b a gi dle.

𐤀 A d l k like he h ide fa hb d 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 le.

𐤀 All I k i, he 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 ba d li le leg f i e e bi
a lda 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 i e.

𐤀 D ' b 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 ba d leg. Tha' he hi g
he ha ide.

All h ee f he. 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤀 la ghed. Ma ie h e back he

i g. P la d, h eld ke le he a d k,
la ghed. i h d. Whe he a be he h ed
l cha ed bl e g, f. hich he k e a .

Pec la ge ed he f i ge fa ca f ha la he back f
a fa. I e e ee b d i ha a b f i e d a
g , Mi Ma ie. H c e he all l e ?

Ma ie e ed a b le f bee. Wha el e he g e
d ? The k l P ich a d g d-l ki '. The a
hei e i c l hai , a d ge a e .

Y ich, Mi Ma ie?

P ddi ', I g e ' a a .

Whe e ge i f ? Y d ' d k.

Yeah, aid Chi a, he e ge i f ?

H e gi e i e. I did hi a fa ce, f he F. B. a d ge a

a d, he i, a all b, a d c i, ha d, h gh
e'd b eak e ha c ld bee Ma ie' e e e f
a he e e f j ch a eal e i e, e he e
a ed he . All he ie e e bjec b eaki g d.
a de c i i f f d. Pec la a Ma ie' ee h e li g
d i he back f c i ea ba ; a he fa ge -
i g back i he h i ake f. hi e, h ea ha
had e ca ed f he li ; he hea d he f he bee -
b le ca ; elled he ac id e f he ea f a ;

i g e hi g g kee aki g ff all he i e?
De e e e le e kee hee l g e gh ge ed
he.

De e h ? Thi a a eb d e Pec la.

De e h ? Chicke ! Y e e hea d e ell f
Ma ie. a h cked b he eglige ce.

N , a'a.

Oh, h e , ' e i ed half life. Wh a Je ,
e- i e- e. Y alki ' 'b h ! I e hie he I
a f ee . We a a a a d li ed ge he like a ied
f h ee ea . Y k all h e kli ke - ee
i ' he e? Fif f ' e i a b l. ld ' ake a
De e P i ce a kle b e. Oh, L d. H ha a l ed
e!

Chi a a a ged a ge f l f hai i a ba g effec .

The h he lef ell ail?

Gi l, he I f d I c ld ell i ha eb d
ld a c ld ca h f i, c ld ha e k cked e e
i h a fea he .

P la d bega la gh. S dle l , Me . M a ie
hi ed e g d ha i e. he I ld he I did ' ge
e . I aid 'M e ? F ha ? He did ' e e

a e a d b b i l e e i d e e c h e i g -
 i e f h e h c k , b k i g f l l e l l h e a c
 f b e e h i g , a d c l d a k e h e i g h a h a .
 N e i h e e e h e l , i a d e a e h e h ,
 a b l e a k e a l i i g a i a l e , d g c -
 i a d a f c i h e l c l e e h e i c h e e f
 e l f - d e c i , a i d i g i c i d e l i h h e e -
 f a b e f a h e a i h e i e f e
 i l e h e . E c e f M a i e ' f a b l e d l e f D e e
 P i c e , h e e h a e d , a l l , i h h a e ,
 a l g , d i c i a i . T h e a b e d h e i i i h
 a c g e c h a i c a l f e . B l a c k , h i e ,
 P e R i c a , M e i c a , J e , P l e , h a e e . a l l e e
 i a d e a e a d . e a k , a l l c a e d e h e i j a d i c e d e e
 a d e e h e e c i e f h e i d i e e e d . a h . T h e
 k d e l i g h i c h e a i g h e . O e c c a i h e
 e l l k e , h e l e d a J e h e a i , c e d h i e ,
 a l l h e e , h e l d h i e b h e h e e l , h k e e h i g f
 h i a c k e , a d h e h i e f h e i d .
 N e i h e d i d h e h a e e e c f , h , a l h g h
 h e i c l e a g e , e a k , e e h e l e d e c e i e d h e i
 h b a d e g l a l i e g l a l , i a d e d i f f e e c e .
 S g a - c a e d . h e , h e c a l l e d h e a d d i d e a
 b e i h e i h e . T h e i l e e c a f h a h e
 l d h a e d e c i b e d a g d C h i i a c l e d .
 T h e a h e e a i a l e , a d h e d e d
 h e f a i l , h d i d ' d i k e a d .
 T h e e h a d h e i d i g , i f c e , a f f e c i . T h e
 l d l e e i h h e i h b a d , a d a k e h e i e , b
 a l a i h a e g e a c e .
 N e e h e e c i e a d l i c i f h f l i -
 c e c e . T h e l k e d b a c k h e i h a a e i d f

ig a ce, a d e g e ed ha he had ^oade ^oe fi.
 The ^oee g gi l i h e 'cl hi g, h e
 e g e i g hei l f i ce ce. The ^oee h e i
 h e 'cl hi g, h e h had e e bee g a d
 had ^od f i ce ce. Wi h Pec la he ^oee a f ee a
 he ^oee i h each he. Ma ie c c ced i e f he
 beca e he a a child, b he i e e e bee a d
 gh. If Pec la had a ced he i e i li e he life
 he did, he ^old ha e ied di ade he ^oiced
 a ala ^o.

² Y a d De e P i ce ha e a child e , Mi Ma ie?

² Yeah. Yeah. We had ^oe. Ma ie dge ed. She lled a
 b bb i f ^ohe hai a d bega ^oick he ee h. Tha
^oea he did ' a ^oalk a ^oe.

Pec la ^oee he i d a d l ked d a he
^oee . A f f g a had f ced i a h gh a
 c ack i he ide alk, l ^oee a a Oc be i d. She
 h gh f De e P i ce a d h he l ed Mi Ma ie.
 Wha did l e feel like? he ^ode ed. H d g -
 ac he he l e each he ? Ea h ge he ? I he
 e e ca ^oe he ic e f Ch ll a d M . B eed l e i bed.
 He ^oaki g d a h gh he e e i ai , a h gh
^oe hi g had hi ^ob he h a a d ^old ' le g .
 Te i ble a hi i e e e, he ^oee eal a bada he
 i e a all f ^ohe ^ohe . I a a h gh he . a
 e e he e. Ma be ha a l e. Ch ki g d a d
 ile ce.

T i g he e e f ^ohe i d , Pec la l ked a he
^oe .

Chi a had cha ged he ^oi d ab he ba g a d a
 a a gi g a ^oall b d ^oad . She a ade i
 c ea i g a ^obe f hai le , b each e le f he i h



M dadd ' face i a d . Wi e e i i a d
 e ide he e . Hi e e bec e a cliff f
 h ea e i g a ala che; hi e eb be d like black
 li b flea e ee . Hi ki ake he ale,
 chee le ell f i e ; f a ja he ha he edge
 f a b d eld d ed i h bble; hi high
 f ehead i he f e ee f he E ie, hidi g c e
 f gelid h gh ha edd i da k e . W lf kille
 ed ha k gh e , he ked igh a d da kee
 e f he d a d he he f de he
 i d ill . A V lca g a di g he a e , he gi e
 i c i ab hich d kee cl ed e ed
 f e di ib i f hea , la ki dli g b , di c e
 ali ie f c al, a d eache h ake, feed, a d
 ba k he e . A d he ill a hi li il
 i g.
 Wi e igh e ed head i h a ba d f c ld a d
 el ed e e . We e e i he fee f

cki g , Va eli e face , a d a ed h gh da k
iceb i g a f e ed e , li e l f
a eal , a d c c a i ha f f ki .

B l e ai ed f i g , he he e c ld be
ga de .

B he i e hi i e had iffe ed i elf i a
ha ef lk ha hi g c ld l e , hi g did
l e i , a he e . A e e h li e ed
he k i il e head ha a gled , e ed ,
ade l g f he d ll chafe f he e i b ed .

Thi di e f ea a a e gi li ch l
aed Ma ee Peal . A high- ell d ea child . i h
l g b hai b aided i l ch e ha h g
d he back . She a ich , a lea b a da d , a
ich a he iche f he . hi e gi l , addled i c f
a d ca e . The ali f he cl he h ea e ed de a ge
F ieda a d e . Pa e -lea he h e i h b ckle , a
chea e e i f . hich . eg l a Ea e a d . hich
had di i eg a ed b he e d f Ma . Fl ff e a e he
c l f le d cked i ki i h lea
de l he a ded . B igh l c l ed k ee ck
i h . hi e b de , a b el e c a i ed i . hi e
abbi f , a d a chi g ff . The e a a hi f
i gi he l e ge e e , hi g e i he
c le i , a da icha i e e i he alk .

She e cha ed he e i e ch l . Whe eache called
he , he i led e c agi gl . Black b did ' i
he i he hall ; hi e b did ' e he , hi e gi l
did ' ck hei ee h . he he . a a ig ed be hei
k a e ; black gi l e ed a ide . he he . a ed
e he i ki he gi l ' ile , a d hei e e
ge ec ed de lidi glid . She e e had ea ch f

c e a i . i h h e . i h . i a l i i g h e f a l l f f a
cliff, g i g g l i g . a i . h a I h g h . a a c l e e
i 1.

bega l i edia el . We head ca e i
 c a cke , a d c a head . I a
 de i gh . a e e Ma ee ' f ffi a
 g e . he a c i i he la g d di ac ed
 . Ag f b a ci cli ga d h ldi ga ba a
 ic i , Pec la B eedl e .

Ba B , W d . Cai , B dd Wil , J ie B g
 like a ecklace f e i eci e he ded
 he . Head i h he ell f hei . k , h illed b
 he ea e fa aj i , he gail ha a ed he .

Black e . Black e . Yadadd lee ekked. Black
 e black e a dadd lee ekked. Black e . . .

The had e e i ed a e e ade f i l
 ab a e e . hich he ic had c l: he
 c l f he ki a d ec la i he lee i g habi
 fa ad l , . ildl i gi i i c he e ce. Tha he
 he el e e e black, ha hei fa he had
 i ila l ela ed habi a i ele a . I a hei
 c e f hei black e ha ga e he i l
 i ee h. The eed ha e ake all f hei hl
 c li a ed ig a ce, hei e i i el lea ed elf-ha ed,
 hei elab a el de ig ed h ele e a d cked i all
 i a e c e f c ha had b ed f age i
 he h ll f hei i d c led a d illed e li
 f age, c i g . ha e e a i i a h. The
 da ced a acab e balle a d he ic h f
 hei ake, he e e e a ed ac i ce he
 a i g i .

Black e Black e Ya dadd lee ekked.
 S ch a a ch a a
 ach a a a a a

Pec la edged a d he ci cle c i g. She had
d ed he eb k, a d c e ed he e e i h he
ha d .

We a ched, af aid he igh ice a d hei
e e gie a . The F ieda, i h e li a d Ma'a'
e e , a ched he c a f he head a d he i he
g d. She a a d he a d b gh he b k
d . W d Cai ' head. The ci cle b ke.
W d Cai g abbed hi head.

He , gi !

Y c ha , hea ? I had e e hea d
F ieda' ice l d a d clea .

Ma be beca e F ieda. a alle ha he. a , a be
beca e he a he e e , a be beca e he had l
i e e i he ga'e, a be beca e he had a c h
F ieda, i a ca e W d l ked f igh e ed j l g
e gh gi e he e c age.

Lea e he 'l e, P'g e ell e e b d ha
did!

W d did a e ; he j alled hi e e .

Ba B i ed , G , gal! Ai ' b d
b he i g .

Y h , B lle Head. I had f d g e.

Wh calli g B lle Head?

P' calli g B lle Head, B lle Head.

F ieda k Pec la' ha d. C e .

Y a a fa li ? Ba B d e back hi a
e.

Yeah. Gi e e f .

Y g e ge e.

Ma ee a ea ed a elb , a d he b eed

el ca c i e de he i g i e e e i d e
i h i e e . The b c k l e d i c f i , i l l i g
bea h e e g i l d e h e a c h f l g a e . S h e
l i e e d a b d d i g a l e i i c h a l d h e a
e e d . e . e e h f h e i a e i .

z C e , a .

z Yeah. C e . We ai ' g i e f l i h h e a .

z G b l i g a f e d i i e e e d e i h e , h e e d
a a .

I icked Pec la' eb k a d F i e d a' c a , a d
h e f f l e f h e l a g d .

z Old B l l e H e a d , h e' a l a i c k i g g i l .

F i e d a a g e e d . i h e . z M i F e e a i d h e . a
i c i g i a l .

z Reall ? I d i d ' k h a h a e a , b i h a d
e g h f a d d i i b e e f B a B .

While F i e d a a d I c l c k e d a b h e e a g h ,
M a e e , d d e l a i a e d , h e e l e - l e e e d a
h g h P e c l a' a d b e g a b e h a e a h g h h e
e e h e c l e f f i e d .

z I j e d h e e . M a e i M a e e P e a l . W h a ' ?

z P e c l a .

z P e c l a ? W a ' h a h e a e f h e g i l i . . .

z I d ' k . W h a i h a ?

z The i c e h , k . W h e e h i l a g i l
h a e h e h e c a e h e i b l a c k a d g l b h e
c i e a h e f e a l . I . a e a l a d . E e b d c i e i i .
C l a d e e C l b e .

z Oh . P e c l a' i c e . a e h a a i g h .

~ A . . a , he a . . . a Pec la . She . a . . e .
 ~ Whe i c . . e back, I . . g i g . . ee iagai . M
 ~ . . he ha . . ee i f . . i . . e .

~ F ieda a d I . . alked behi d he . . . i ed a
 ~ Ma . . ee ' f i e d l i e . . Pec la, b . . lea ed. Ma be he
 ~ . . a ' . . bad, af e all. F ieda had . . he c a back
 ~ he head, a d he . . f . . , d a ed, . . ed al g
 ~ e j i g he . . a . . b ee e a d F ieda' he i c .

~ Y ' e i . . g . . cla , a e ' . . ? Ma . . ee a ked
 ~ Pec la.

~ Ye .

~ Mi E k . . ei e ' leg . . e a e b . . . I be he hi k
 ~ he ' e c . . e. H . . c . . e he ge . . . ea eal h . . , a d
 ~ . . e ha e . . . ea h e ld bl . . e ? L a . . die e e
 ~ i . . e I . . he

~ Pec la . . . iled b did . . l k a Ma . . ee .

~ He . . Ma . . ee . . ed h . . . The e' a I ale ' .
 ~ Wa e ice c ea . . e? I ha e . . e .

~ She . . i ed a hidde . . cke i he . . . ff a d lled
 ~ a . . . l if lded d lla bill. I f ga e he h e k ee
 ~ ck .

~ M . . cle ed I ale ' , Ma . . ee aid he h ee f

~ He . . ed he I ale ' i Ak . . . The aid he . . a
 ~ di . . del a d ha ha . . a . . h he . . ld ' e e
 ~ hi . . b a f i e d f hi , a . . lice . . a , ca . . e i a d bea ed
 ~ he . . i e , he . . i . . e h gh.

~ Wha ' a i ?

~ I ' . . he . . ca bea he . . . if . . . a . . a d
 ~ ' a b d d . . hi g. O f a . . il d e i all he
 ~ i . . e. We belie e i . . i .

~ A he e a ce I ale ' Ma . . ee . . ed F ieda
 ~ a d . . e, a ki g, . . Y . . all g i g b . . e ice c ea . . e?

Wel ked a each he . N , F ieda aid.
Ma ee di a ea ed i he e. i h Pec la.
F ieda l ked laci dl d . he ee ; I e ed

like Hed La₁a ' , a d he lad aid, 'Yeah, he
g . . . e hai like Hed La₁a ' . ' She la ghed l g
a d . ee .

z S d c a , aid F ieda.

z She e i . D k . . he d e ' e e e a e
e , a d he' i ee . D , e ?

z Ye . Pec la gla ced a .

z S d I . Ma ee e ade a e e di g i e he
ide . z T e h ag I a ed . M gi l f i e d i
T led , he e . eli ed bef e , aid . he he a ed he
a ca ed dea h . Th gh he had killed he elf .

z D k . . ha i ' f ? Pec la a ked he
e i a h gh h i g ide he a . e he elf .

z F babies . Ma ee ai ed . e cil- ke
e eb . a he b i e f he e i . z Babie
eed bl d . he he a e i ide , a d i f a e
ha i g a bab , he d ' e a e . B . he
' e ha i g a bab , he d ' ha e a e he
bl d , i c e .

z H d babies ge he bl d ? a ked Pec la .

z Th gh he like- li e . Y k . . Whe e bell
b i . Tha i . he e he like- li e g . f a d
e he bl d he bab .

z Well, if he bell b a e g . like- li e gi e
he bab bl d , a d l gi l ha e babies , h . c e
b ha e bell b ?

z Ma ee he i a ed . z I d ' k , he ad i ed . z B
b ha e all f hi g he d ' eed . He
i kli gla ghe . a e h . ge ha e
e . She c led he g e a d he edge f he c e ,
c i g a d ll f le ha e e e . a e .
We e e . ai i g f a ligh cha ge . Ma ee

aked e .Tha a ed i he i h .
F ie dl -like.

~ P alki g , aid Ma ee . Be ide , I
d ' ca e if he ee he fa he aked. She ca l k a
hi all da if he a . Wh ca e ?

~ Y d , aid F ieda. Tha ' all alk ab .

~ I i .

~ I i . B , babie , a d eb d ' aked dadd .
Y be b -c a .

~ Y be e be ie .

~ Wh ' g a ake e? F ieda he ha d he
hi a d j ed he face . a d Ma ee .

~ Y all ead ade. Ma ade.

~ Y alki g ab a a a.

~ Well, alki g ab dadd .

~ Wh aid a hi g ab ld dadd ?

~ Y did.

~ Well, a ed i .

~ I a ' e e alki g . I a alki g Pec la.

~ Yeah. Ab eei g he aked dadd .

~ S ha if he did ee hi?

~ Pec la h ed, I e e a dadd aked. Ne e .

~ Y did , Ma ee a ed. Ba B aid .

~ I did .

~ Y did.

~ I did .

~ Did. Y dadd , !

~ Pec la cked he head i . a f , ad, hel le . 4.10 (Y) 8 alki M

Wha d I ca e ab he ld black dadd ? a ked
Ma ee .

Black? Wh calli g black?

Y !

Y hi k ce! I ga he a d ed,
hi i g Pec la i he face. F i a cl i e , I
he eb ka he , b i ca gh he i he all
f he el e back, f he had ed a d. a i g
ac he eeagai af c.

Safe he he ide, he ceaed a , I ce!
A d gl ! Black a d gl blacke . I ce!

She a d he ee , he gee kee ck aki g
he leg l k like. ild da deli e ha had
eh . l hei head . The. eigh f he ea k
ed , a di . a a ec d bef e F ieda a d
I c llec ed el e e gh h , Si - ge - d g -
h - e i g e - ie! We cha ed hi . e f l f
a e al fi l a l ga . ec ld ee he gee
e a d abbi f .

G e le f . ed a he h ee gil he
c b ide, i h hei ca da ed e hei head ,
he c lla f a i g he e eb . like ' habi , black
ga e h . i g . he e he bi he f b .

cki g ha ba el ce ed he k ee , a g face
k ed like da k ca li e .

Pec la d ali le a a f , he e e hi ged i
he di ec i i . hich Ma ee had ed. She eed
f l di he elf, like a lea ed. i g. He ai
a ag i ed . L a ed e he , ci he
edge , a a ick d . ha h ched a d c i g i e,
f ce he a d e ec a d i he e he

ee .B he held i i . he e i c ld la i he
e e .

F ieda a ched he c a f he head. C e ,
Cla dia. 'B e, Pec la.

The e a a e, b a d f fee . M . He
h f ed a f he a d . he ai . O e hick,
hai le leg lea ed f hi ba h be .

z Hell he e, G e a Ga b ; hell , Gi ge R ge .

We ga e hi he giggle he a acc ed . z Hell ,
M . He . Whe e' Ma a?

z She e g a d a ' . Lef d f
c ff he i a dea g aha c acke ill he
g back . The i he ki che .

We a i ile ce a he ki che able, c bli g he
c acke i a hill . I a li le hile M . He ca e
back d he ai . N he had hi e de
hi be .

z Sa . W ld ' all like e c ea ?

z Oh, e , i .

z He e . He e' a a e . G e e I ale ' a d ge
elf e c ea . Y bee g d gi l , ai ' ?

Hi ligh -g ee d e ed c l he da . z Ye ,
i . Tha k , M . He . Will ell Ma a f if
he c e ?

z S e . B he ai ' d e back f a ell .

C a le , e lef he h e a d had g e all he a
he c e . he F ieda aid, z I d ' a g
I ale ' .

z Wha ?

z I d ' a ice c ea . I a a chi .

z The g a chi a I ale ' .

z I k , b h g all ha l g a ? Mi Be ha
g a chi .

z B I a ice c ea .

z N d ' , Cla dia .

$\mathbf{z} \cdot \text{Id}$.

... ee . C ee i g be . ee he b he a d he ide f he
h e , e hea d ice a d la ghe . Wel ked i he
li i g- i d , e ec i g ee Ma a . I ead . e
a M . He a d . e . I a la f l a e , he
a g a d he d i h babie , he a cki g he
ge f e f he . e , h e la ghe lled a i
lace e hi head . The he . a b i g he
c a . We k e i edia el h he e e , a d e h
c a led . O e a Chi a , a d he he a called he

• The Magic e has a dotted line above it, a fall a i,
• i h.0. ga aii.

Which Bible did daddy like? He had a Bible, like you have in your house, and he said it was the best.

“N, i, M. He... We...”

He said it was the best.

“Should I ask you? Tell me, Ma?”

“Fieda liked it. She had it when she was a child.”

“Please, she said she liked it, and she said she liked it.”

“Should I ask you? Tell me, Ma?”

“N. I like it. N. I like it.”

“Please? What is it?”

“N. I like it. The Magi... I did it for me. I did it for me. I did it for me. I did it for me.”

“We said it was the best. I like it.”

“We like it. I like it. I like it.”

“I like it.”

“Bible, like you have in your house.”

“He said she liked it, I liked it.”

“Which one? A Bible, like you have in your house?”

“I did it for me. I did it for me. I did it for me. I did it for me.”

“O.K.”

“I like it. I like it. I like it.”

“Fieda?”

“What?”

“What did you say? I like it.”

T

We he bed. M . Cai ld Ma a he. ' i .
Old a .

The k a ge i g da k; Il ked f he. i d .
a d a falli g. I ked ge d i he
h f lca , a d i led, di e i g he
g lde g ai i li le l . The i c ackled.

T T T T
 T T T T

The c e f M bile. Aike . F Ne Ne .
 F Ma ie a. F Me idia . A d he d f he e
 lace i hei h ake hi k fl e. Whe
 a k he. he e he a e f he il hei head a d a
 M bile a d hi k ' e bee ki ed. The a
 Aike a d ee a. hi e b e gla ce ff a fe ce
 i h a i g. The a Nagad che a d a

h ck he a e a , all, a d ill. Thei a e dee ,
hei alk a e a d l he bl d i he
i d. The ha e he e e f e le. h ca ell. ha i e i
i b he c l f he k. S ch gi l li e i ie black eigh-
b h d . he e e e b d i gai f ll e l ed. Whe e
he e a e ch i g ha gi g f chai . Whe e he
g a i c i ha c he, he e e c b a d -
e g i he a d, a d f bleedi g hea , i , a d
he-i -la g e li e he e a d i d ill. S ch
gi l ha e b gh a e el a d a bea f he f i
a ' ag . The ha e i he i d . he ca db a d
ig ha ha a d ea e i ed each f he e
edge. 10 lb., 2 lb., 0 lb. a d . he f h.
The e a ic la b gi l f M bile a d Aike a e



The g l a d-g a c l l e g e , a l c h l , a d l e a
 h . d h e . h i e a ' . k i h e e e : h e e c -
 i c e a e h i f d ; e a c h e e d c a i i c
 b l a c k c h i l d e i b e d i e c e ; i c h e h e . e a a -
 e a d e e a i h i b l e d l . H e e h e l e a h e e f
 h e l e b e g i h e f h e i h c h i g a d
 f b l e e d i g h e a : h . b e h a e . T h e c a e f l d e e l -
 e f h i f , a i e c e , h i g h a l , a d g d a e . I
 h , h . g e i d f h e f k i e . T h e d e a d f l f k i -
 e f a i , h e f k i e f a e , h e f k i e f h e
 i d e a g e f h a e i .

W h e e e i e , h i F k , h e i e i a a ; h e e i
 c , h e d i l e i ; h e e e i d i , e , c l i g ,
 h e d i a d g h i i l i d i e . T h e g h h i b a l e a l l
 h e a h e g a e . T h e l a g h h a i a l i l e l d ; h e
 e c i a i a l i l e d ; h e g e e a l i l e g e e -
 . T h e h l d h e i b e h i d i f f e a f a a f e e ;
 h e h e e a l i i c k , h e e e c e h e e i e h
 f f e a f l i h i c k , a d h e , ,
 a b h e e d g e f h e i h a i .

T h e e e e h a e b f i e d , b h e a l a
 a . C e a i a c h h e i h e e i g , a d
 k h a i f c h a g i l i i h i h e , h e i l l e e h e e
 b i l e d . h i e , h g d j i e b h e , a d e e d
 a i h a h e a i . T h e e i l l b e e a e e
 d e c a i g h e i c e f h i h e , a l a g e B i b l e i h e f
 . T h e f e e l e c e . T h e k h e i k c l h e i l l
 b e e d e d , a h e d , a d i e d M d a , h a h e i
 S d a h i i l l b i l l h a g e f h e d j a b ,
 i f a c h e d a d . h i e . T h e l k a h e h a d a d k
 h a h e i l l d i h b i c i d g h ; h e e l l h e c f f e e
 a d h e f i e d h a e e h e . h i e , k g i i h a d l l

f b e . He hi a e he ha he ill bea
child e ea il a d ai le l. A d he a e igh .

Wha he d k i ha hi lai b . gi l. ill
b ild he e ick b ick, ake i he i i lable
ld, a d a dg a d e i e e la , eed, a d d il ,
e e agai hi . I ile ce. ill he e he la . he e
he i i he lace; e e he di he f he able
a a he la bi e i ake ; i e he d k b a f e a
g ea ha d ha ched i . A idel gl k. ill be e gh
ell hi . ke he back ch. Child e . ill e e
i a l ha he ca c e i he a d e ie e a
ball. B he d k he e hi g . N d he
k ha he. ill gi e hi he b d a i gl a d a iall .
He e e he e i i l , lif i g he he f he
igh g . l he a el. He e hi eigh hi
elb . he he ake l e , e ibl a id h i g he
b ea b ac all kee he f ha i g ch feel
ch f hi .

While he e i ide he , he ill . de h he
did ' he ece a b i a e a f he b d i
e e ec e ie lace like he a i , f e a le,
he a f he ha d. S lace ec ld ge ea il ,
a d ickl , i h d e i g. She iffe . he he feel
e fhe a ec le c i g d ef he ac i i f
l e ; i i he i d. hich e i i ha i c i g
l e he ca ickl ec e i ce he i h gh. She
h e he. ill ea . he da . a ge i he hai ;
a d ha he. ill ai d be. ee he leg . he ha e he
glcki g d he ake . he he i i . Whe he
e e e a ab gi hi , he. ill ake a id
e e i h he hi , e he ge ail i hi back,
cki he b ea h, a d e e d he i ha i ga ga . She

igh de agai , f he i h d ed h i e , ha i
ld be like ha e . feeli g. hile he h ba d' e i
i i ide he . The cl e hi g i . a he i e he . a
alki g d . he ee a d he a ki li ed fee f he
a i a bel . I ed ge l be ee he leg a he
alked. Ge l , e e ge l . A d he a ligh a d di -
i cl delici e a i c llec ed i he c ch. A he
deligh ge , he had i he ee , h ld he high
ge he c ai i . Tha be ha i i like, he
hi k , b i e e ha e hile he i i ide he . Whe
he i hd a , he ll he igh g . d . , li f
he bed a di he ba h i h elief.

Occa i all e li i g hi g. ill e gage he affec i .
A ca , e ha , h ill l e he de , eci i , a d
c a c ; h ill be a clea a d i e a he i . The ca
ill e le iel he i d . ill a d ca e he i h hi
e e . She ca h ld hi i he a , le i g hi back a
ggle f f i g he bea a d hi f e a cli g
he h lde . She ca b he h f a d feel he e-
i i g e h de ea h. A he ge le ch he . ill ee ,
e ch , a d e hi h . A d he . ill acce he
a gel lea a e a i ha c e he he . (TjT he
ll aci lea ab e h ak , bad he ll af he f a i a h TjT



ick a d a l g a ible. Whi e kid ; hi he did
 like hi la i h igge . She had e lai ed hi
 he diffe e ce be . ee c l ed e le a d igge . The
 e e ea il ide i able. C l ed e le . e e ea a d i e ;
 igge e e di a d l d. He bel ged he f e
 g : he . e. hi e hi a d bl e e ; hi hai . a
 c a cl e hi cal a ible a ida gge i f
 l, he a . a e ched i hi hai b he ba be. I . i -
 e hi he Je ge L i hi face kee he ki
 f bec i g a he . E e h gh he . a ligh - ki ed, i
 a ible a h. The li e be . ee c l ed a d igge
 a al a clea ; b le a d ell ale ig h ea e ed
 e de i , a d he . a ch had bec a .

J i ed l g la i h he black b . M e
 ha a hi gi he . ld he . a ed la Ki g f he
 M ai a d ha e he h hi d . he d f di
 a d ll e hi . He . a ed feel hei ha d e e i g
 hi ell hei . ild black e , a d a . F ck . i h
 ha l el ca al e . He . a ed i . i h he c b -
 e a d c a e he ha e f jackk i e , he di -
 a ce a d a c f i i g. I he ile he . a ed ha e
 i h he la el f bei g able ee fa a d l g. Ba
 B a d P. L. had a e i e bee hi id l . G ad all he
 ca e ag ee . i h hi he ha ei he Ba B P. L.
 a g d e gh f hi . He la ed l . i h Ral h
 Ni e k , h . a . ea ge , e gla e , a d
 did ' a a hi g. M e a d e J i e j ed
 b ll i g gi l . I . a ea aki g he c ea a d .
 H . he la ghed . he he fell d . a d hei bl e
 h . ed. Whe he g , hei face ed a d c i kled, i
 ade hi feel g d. The igge gi l he did ick e
 ch. The all a eld i ack , a d ce . he he

he a ea e f he, he cha ed, ca gh , a d bea
hi i le . He lied hi he , a i g Ba B did i . Hi
he a e e . Hi fa he j ke eadi g he
L ai . . .

Whe he d ck hi, he ld call a child a i g
b c e la he i g he ee a . If he child
ld , did a d lef , J i he g a el a
hi. He beca e a e g d h .

Al e a el b ed a d f igh e ed a h e, he la -
g d a hi j . O a da he he had bee e eciall
idle, he a a e black a i . i. e a Al e .?Tcj)T (4)l T e



Sh... ha ?

S... ki e . We g... ki e . Y... ca ha e e if
a .

Real ki e ?

Yeah. C... .

He lled ge l a he d e . Pec la bega ... e
a d hi h e . Whe he k e he had ag eed, J i
a ahead e ci edl , i g l ell back a he
c... . He held he d e f he , ... ili g hi
e c age... . Pec la cli... bed he ch ai a d he i-
a ed he e, af aid f ll... hi... . The h e l ked da k.
J i aid, The e' b d he e. M... a' g e ,
a d... fa he ' a... k. D '... a... ee he ki -
e ?

J i ed he ligh . Pec la e ed i ide he
d .

H... bea if l, he h gh . Wha a bea if l h e.
The e... a a big ed-a d-g ld Bible he di i g-...
able. Li le lace d ilie... e e e e... he e... a... a d
back fchai , i he ce e f a la ge di i g able, li le
able . P ed la... e e... all he... i d... ill . A c l
ic e f Je Chi h g a... all i h he e ie
a e... e fa e ed he f... . She... a ed... ee
e e hi g l... l... l... B J i ke a i g... He , ...
C... . C... . He lled he i a he... e e
... e bea if l ha he... . M e d ilie , a big la... i h
g ee -a d-g ld ba e a d... hi e hade. The e... a e e a g
he... , i he... da k-ed... e . She... a dee
i ad... i a i f he... e... he J i aid, He e!
Pec la ed... He e i... ki e ! he c eched. A d he
h e a big black ca igh i he face. She cked i he
b ea hi fea a d... i e a d fel f i he... h. The ca

claud the face and che i a eff igh i elf, he
leaded iabl he .

J i a la ghi g a d i g a d he
cl chi g hi ach deligh edl . Pec la ched he
c a ched lace he face a d fel ea c i g. Whe he
a ed a d he d a ,J i lea ed i f f he .

2 S ha ! Pec la . a c ea 1 j g . The ca ' f ee a
 . e e iffe ed, ead g aba hi g e e bala ce, i
 1 h. ide, i e e ble ak fh .

S ill c ea 1 j g, Pec la eached f J i ' ha d. She
 hea d he de i de he a 1 J i ied h he
 a a , b he g abbed he a 1 hich. a . i gi g he ca .
 The b h fell, a di falli g, J i le g he ca , hich,
 ha i g bee elea ed i 1 id-1 i , a h . f ll f ce
 agai he . i d . I li he ed d . a d fell he adia-
 behi d he fa. E ce f a fe h dde , i . a ill.
 The e . a l he ligh e 1 ell f i ged f .

Ge aldi e e ed he d .

2 Wha i hi ? He ice . a 1 yild, a h gh a ki g a
 e fec l ea able e i . 2 Wh i hi gi l ?

2 She killed ca , aid J i . 2 L k. He i ed
 he adia , he e he ca la , i bl e e e cl ed, lea i g
 l a e 1 , black, a d hel le face.

Ge aldi e . e he adia a d icked he ca . He
 . a li 1 i he a 1 , b he bbed he face i hi f . She
 l ked a Pec la. Sa he di d e , he lai icki g
 he head, hai 1 a ed . he e he lai had c 1 e
 d e, he 1 dd h e . i h he . ad fg 1 ee i g
 f 1 be . ee he chea le , he iled ck , e f
 . hich had bee . alked d . i he heel f he h e. She
 a he afe i h ldi g he he 1 f he de . U e
 he h 1 f he ca ' back he l ked a he . She had ee
 hi li le gi l all f he life. Ha gi g f . i d . e
 al i M bile, ca li g e he che f h g
 h e he edge f . , i i gi b a i h ldi g
 a e bag a dc i g 1 he . h ke a i g 2 She
 ! Hai c 1 bed, de e falli g a a , h e ied

and caked in dirt. They had a hole in the ground

but when he had in the middle, he gave a
cry and hid his face.

Outside, the Marchioness hid her head.
She held her head down against the cold. But the cold
held it long enough to see her make falling
and dig her ears.

.



h e a b i g i h a e a i e . The I hea d
he i gi g e hi g ab ai a d A ka a .
She ca e i he back d i h e f lded ell .
c ai hich he iled he ki che able. I a d .
he li e he g' , a d iced h .
a gel he a beha i g. She ill had he ha , a d
he h e e e d , a h gh he had bee alki gi
dee di . She e a e b il a d he e

2. What'd he do?
 2. Dad beat him.
 2. What for? The Magi... Li... Did he do anything
 2. he Magi... Li...
 2. No.
 2. Well, what, he? Come, Fieda. He... I
 2. can't know?
 2. He... a...
 2. Picked a...? Yes... like... a head...
 2. So...
 2. He...ed him...?
 2. No. He...ed...
 2. Where?
 2. He...ed her. She...ed... he...be...ha...
 2. like...falle...ca...ed...faded...le...e...
 2. he...e...
 2. Really? How did it feel?
 2. Oh, Claudia. She...ded...I...a...a...ki...g...
 2. he...igh...e...i...
 2. I didn't feel like a...hi...g...
 2. But...a...i...ed? Feel...g...d...I...ea...?
 2. Fieda...cked...he...e...h...? What'd he do? Just...alk...
 2. a...d...i...ch...he...?
 2. She...igh...ed...Fi...he...aid...h...e...I...a...The...he...
 2. g...abbed...a...a...d...ched...
 2. Where...a...Ma...a...a...d...Dad...?
 2. O...e...a...he...ga...de...eedi...g...
 2. What'd...a...he...he...did...i...?
 2. No...hi...g...I...j...a...he...ki...che...a...d...e...he...
 2. ga...de...
 2. Ma...a...aid...e...a...e...e...c...he...ack...b...
 2. el...e...

Well, ha... ld... d? Se he e a d le hi... i ch
?

Il ked a... che... Id ' ha e hi g i ch.
P... e e g i g ha e hi g.

Oh, Cla dia, ' e jeal f e e hi g. Y...
hi... ?

N, I j ge i ed f ha i ge e hi gla .

Y d . Wha ab ca le fe e? Y had ha

Ye , b i did ' la . A... a , ha ha e ed a he
ga de ?

I ld Ma... a d he ld Dadd , a d e all c...
h... a d he a g e , e ai ed f hi... a d he
Dadd a hi... c... he ch, he h e ld
ic cle a hi head a d k cked hi... ff he ch.

Did he die?

Na . He g a d a ed i gi g 'Nea e M G d

Thee.' The Ma... a hi hi... i h a b... a d ld hi...
kee he L d' a... f hi... h, b he
ld ' , a d Dadd . a c i g, a d e e b d
a c ea... i g.

Oh, h , I a l a... i ff.

A d M . B f d ca... i g... i h hi g , a d
Ma... a ld hi... g... he e a d i d , a d
Dadd aid , gi e hi... he g , a d M . B f d did,
a d Ma... a c ea... ed, a d M . He h a d a ed
i g, a d Dadd h a hi... a d M . He j... ed
f hi h e a d ke... i gi hi ck . The
R... a ca... e a d aid ha Dadd . a g i g
jail, a d I hi he .

Real ha d?

Real ha d.

2 I ha . he Ma . a . hi ed ?

2 She did ' . hi . e, I ld .

2 The . h . c i g?

2 Mi D i ca . e i afe e e b d . a ie, a d
Ma . a d Dadd . a f i g ab . h le M. He
i a . a, a d he aid ha Ma . a h ld ake . he
d c , beca e I . igh be i ed, a d Ma . a a ed
c ea . i gall e agai .

2 A ?

2 N . A Mi D i .

2 B . h . e e . c i g?

2 Id ' . a . be .

2 Wha ' i ed?

2 Y k . . Like he Magi Li e. She' i ed.
Ma . a aid . The ea ca . e back.

A i . age f F ieda, big a d fa , ca . e . i d. He
hi leg . lle , he face ded b la e f ged
ki . I begi feel ea .

2 B , F ieda, c lde e ci e a d ea .

2 She h gged.

2 Be ide , . ha ab Chi a a d P la d? The ' e
i ed , a e ' he ? A d he ai ' fa .

2 Tha ' beca e he d i k . hi ke . Ma . a a
hi ke a e he .

2 Y c ld d i k . hi ke .

2 Whe e . ld I ge . hi ke ?

2 We h gh ab hi . N b d . ld ell i ; . e
had . e , a . a . The e . a e e a i

~ S e. Ch ll ' al a d k. Le ' g a k he . We
d ' ha e ell he . ha f .

~ N . ?

~ S e, .

~ Wha 'll e ell Ma a?

~ N hi g. Le ' j g he back. O e a a i e. S
he. ' ice.

~ O.K. Y g , Cla dia.

We e ed he fe ce ga e a he b f he
back a d a d . he alle .

Pec la li ed he he ide f B ad a . We had
e e bee i he h e, b e k e . he e i . a . A
- g a b ildi g ha had bee a e d . ai
a d had a a a e ai .

N b d a e ed k ck he f d , e
alked a d he ide d . A e a ached, e
hea d adi i ca dl ked ee. he e i ca e f .
Ab e a he ec d- ch, li ed. i h
la i g, i g ail , a d i i g he ch. a he
Magi Li e he elf. We a ed a d a a icall
eached f he he ' ha d. A ai f e h, he
la a he ha a i a cki g chai . She had h e
, a d each f a ked be e a aili g: i
bab e a he i f ff fee ; lle a kle
hed a d igh e ed he ki ; a i e leg like ee
a ed. ide a he k ee , e . hich ead .
ad f f abb i e high ha ki ed each he

Nei he f c ld eak. B h f i,agi ed. e. e e
 eei g. ha . a bec e f F ieda. The Magi Li e
 eiled a .

z Y all l ki g f eb d ?

z I had ll g e f he f f h
 a , Pec la he li e he e?

z Uh-h h, b he ai ' he e . She g e he
 a' k lace gi he. a h.

z Ye , a' . She c i g back?

z Uh-h h. She g ha g he cl he bef e he
 g e d .

z Oh.

z Y ca . ai f he . Wa a c e he e a d
 ai ?

We e cha ged gla ce . Il ked back a he b ad
 ci a ad ha e i he had . f he d e .

F ieda aid, z N , a' .

z Well, he Magi Li e ee ed i e e ed i
 ble . Y ca g he a' k lace, b i'
 a e b he lake.

z Whe e b he lake?

z Tha big. hi e h e. i h he. heelba . f ll f
 e .

I . a a h e ha . e k e , ha i g ad i ed he la ge
 hi e. heelba . il ed d . ked. heel a d
 la ed. i h ea al . e .

z Ai ' ha fa f all g . alki g?

F ieda c a ched he k ee.

z Wh d ' ai f he ? Y ca c e he e.
 Wa e ? Th e ai - aked e e li , a d he
 ile. a f ll, like he i ched a d h ldi g-back
 ile f he g . - .

I ed g he ai , b Fieda aid, N ,
 a' a' e ai ' all ed.

L a a a a ed a he c age, a d f igh e ed f he
 a i e . The a ile f he Magi Li e li ed. Ai ' 'll ed?

N ' a' .

Ai ' 'll ed . ha ?

G i h e .

I ha igh ? The a e fall . e e ill. H .
 c e?

M a a a a aid . M a a a a aid i ed.

The a e fall bega agai . She he -
 bee b le he li a d d a k i e . Wi h a
 g acef l e e f he i , a ge e ick a d
 all e e e eall a i , l e e be ed i
 a f e . a d , he ed he b le e he ail a . I li
 a fee , a d ha d f b . gla da led leg
 bef e . e c ld j back. The Magi Li e a fa
 ha d e f he f ld f he ach a d la ghed. A
 j a dee h i g . i h he h cl ed, he a
 la ge , a d . La gh e a ce bea if la d
 f igh e i g . She le he head il ide a , cl ed he
 e e , a d h k he a i e k , le i g he la gh e
 fall like a . a h f ed lea e all a d . Sc a a d
 c l f he la gh e f ll ed a . e a . O b ea h
 ga e a he a e i e leg did. Af e . e e ed
 agai a ee , head c ed f ea , I aid,
 Le ' g h e .

Fieda . a ill a g . gh i g , he belie ed, f he
 life. N , e g ge i .

We ca ' g all he a he lake.

z Ye e ca . C e .

z Ma a g e ge .

z N he ai ' . Be ide , he ca ' d hi g b . hi

.

Tha a e . She ld ' kill , la gh a e ible
la gh a , h a b le a .

We alked d ee-li ed ee f f g a h e
lea i g like i ed ladie The ee cha ged; h e
l ked e d , hei ai a e e , ch
aigh e , a d dee e . The ca e b ick h e e ell
back f he ee , f ed b a d edged i h bbe
cli ed i h c e a d ball f el e ge e .

The la ba a Ye e h& -d ad be h e . Th E ie ala (le a
Th edge e bef kedhalf- D(l,dhalf- .)Tj e bl(lealk

ea l i g. The alk a a agged i calc la ed
 di de, hidi g he c i g . O l fea f
 di c e a d he k ledge ha e did bel g ke
 f l i e i g. We ci cled he d h e a d. e
 he back.

The e he i ailed a Pec la i a ligh ed
 . ea e a d bl e c d e . A li le. ag . a a ked
 ea he . She ee ed glad ee .

Hi.

Hi.

Wha all d i g he e? She. a i l i g, a d i ce
 i . a a a e hi g ee he, L a i ed a he
 lea e i ga e .

We' e l ki g f .

Wh ld L a he e?

The Magi Li e.

Wh i ha ?

Tha big fa lad . She li e e .

Oh, ea Mi Ma ie. He a e i Mi Ma ie.

Well, e e b d call he Mi Magi Li e. Ai '
 ca ed?

Sca ed f. ha ?

The Magi Li e.

Pec la l ked ge i el led. Wha f ?

Y a a a le g i he h e? A d ea f
 he la e ?

She d ' k . I g . Mi Ma ie i ice. The all
 ice.

Oh, eah, I aid, he ied kill .

Wh ? Mi Ma ie? She d ' b he b d .

The h c a a a d ' le g i he
 h e if he ice?

z I d ' k . . She a he' bad, b he ai ' bad.
The gi e e ff all he i e.

z Wha ff?

z Oh, l f ff, e d e e , a d h e . I g e e
h e ha I e e . ea . A d je el a d ca d a d
e . The ake e he ie , a d ce . e e
he ca i al . Chi a g e ake e Cle ela d ee he
a e , a d P la d g e ake e Chicag ee he
L . We g i g e e . he e ge he .

z Y l i g . Y d ' ha e e d e e .

z I d , .

z Oh, c e , Pec la, ha elli g all ha
j k f ? F ieda a ked.

z I ai ' j k . Pec la d ead defe d he
d , he he d e ed.

M . B eedl e ck he head he d a d aid,

z Wha ' g i g he e? Pec la, h a e he e
child e ?

z Tha ' F ieda a d Cla dia, M . B eedl e .

z Wh e gi l a e ? She ca e all he . a
he . She l ked ice ha I had e e ee he , i
he . hi e if a d he hai i a all ad .

z M . MacTee ' gi l , a' a' .

z Oh, e . Li e e T e - S ee ?

z Ye , a' a' .

z Wha a e d i g' a e he e?

z J alki g . We ca e ee Pec la .

z Well, be e ge back . Y ca . alk . i h
Pec la . C e i . hile I ge he . a h .

We e ed i he ki che , a la ge aci e .
M . B eedl e' ki gl . ed like affe a i he e ec i
f . hi e celai , . hi e . d k , li hed cabi e ,

T

a d b illia c e. a e. Od f ea , ege able , a d
 e hi g f e hl baked i ed. i h a ce f Fel
 Na h ha.

P g ege he. a h. Y all a d ck ill igh
 he e a d d ' e hi g. She di a ea ed behi d
 a. hi e . i gi g d , a d. e c ld hea he e e a
 f he f e a he de ce ded i he ba e .

A he d e ed, a di . alked a li le gi l,
 alle a d ge ha all f . She. e a i k
 back de a d i k ff bed li e . i h .
 b ea i ed f he i . He hai . a c
 ell . a d b di a hick ibb . Whe he a ,
 fea da ced ac he face f a ec d. She l ked
 a i l a d he ki che .

Whe e' P ll ? he a ked.

The faa ilia i le ce e i e. He calli g M .
 B eedl e P ll , he e e Pec la called he he M .
 B eedl e, eed ea e gh c a ch he .

She' d ai , I aid.

P ll ! he called.

L k, F ieda. hi e ed, l k a ha . O he
 c e ea he e i a il e a . a a dee -di h
 be c bble . The le j ice b i g he e a d he e
 h gh c . We ed cl e .

I ' ill h , F ieda aid.

Pec la e ched he ha d ch he a , ligh l ,
 ee if i . a h .

P ll , c e he e, he li le gi l calledagai .

I a ha e bee e e , a k a d e , b he a
 il ed de Pec la' ge a d fell he , la e i g
 blacki h bl ebe ie e e . he e. M f he j ice la hed
 Pec la' leg , a d he b ha e bee ai f l, f

he c ied a d bega h i gab j a M .
 B eedl e e e ed. i h a igh l acked la d bag, I e
 gall he. a Pec la, a d i h he back f he ha d
 k cked he he . Pec la lid i he ie j ice, e leg
 f ldi g de he . M . B eedl e a ked he b he
 a , la ed heagai , a di a ice hi i h a ge,
 ab ed Pec la di ec l a d F ieda a d , e b i , lica i .
 C a f l . . . , e . . . l k. ha . . .
 k . . . ge . . . ha . . . c a . . .
 , He . . . d . e e h e a d
 da ke ha he k i g be ie , a d . e backed a a i
 d ead.

The li le gi li i k a ed c . M . B eedl e
 ed he . H h, bab , h h. C e he e. Oh, L d,
 l k a d e . D ' c e. P ll . ill cha ge
 i . She e he i k a d ed a a e a f e h
 el. O e he h lde he i d like
 e iece fa le. Pick ha a ha d ge
 f he e, I ca ge hi e clea ed .
 Pec la icked he la d bag, hea i h. e
 cl he , a d . e e ed h iedl he d . A Pec la
 he la d bag i he. ag , ec ld hea M .
 B eedl e h hi g a d hi g he ea f he li le
 i k-a d- ell . gi l.

Wh e e he , P ll ?

D ' e, bab .

Y g a ake a he ie?

C e I. ill.

Wh e e he , P ll ?

H h. D ' e, he. hi e ed, a d he
 h e i he d c le ed he d . illi g
 he lake.

T T T
T T T
 T

The ea i e hi g d . l d be b ild a ca e f he
f . Tha i . ha he he elf did. B d he h
ab h . d ea e die, e h ld e e ake he . d f
he d ea e . The e d f he l el begi i g. a abl
he ca i i e f he f ee h. She efe ed, h . e e,
hi k al a f he f . Al h gh he . a he i h f
ele e child e a d li ed a idge f ed Alaba a cla
e e ile f he ea e ad, he c le e i diffe e ce
. i h . hich a ail . a . he i ched clea
h gh he f d i g he ec d ea f life a ed Pa li e
Willia f al a i . The . d lef he . i h a
c ked, a chle f ha ed. he he . alked a
li . ha . ld ha e e e all . i ed he i e, b a . a
f lif i g he bad f a h gh he . e e ac i gi f
li le . hi l l ha h ea e ed lli de . Sligh a i
. a , hi def i e lai ed f he a hi g ha
. ld ha e bee he . i e i c . che ible: . h he

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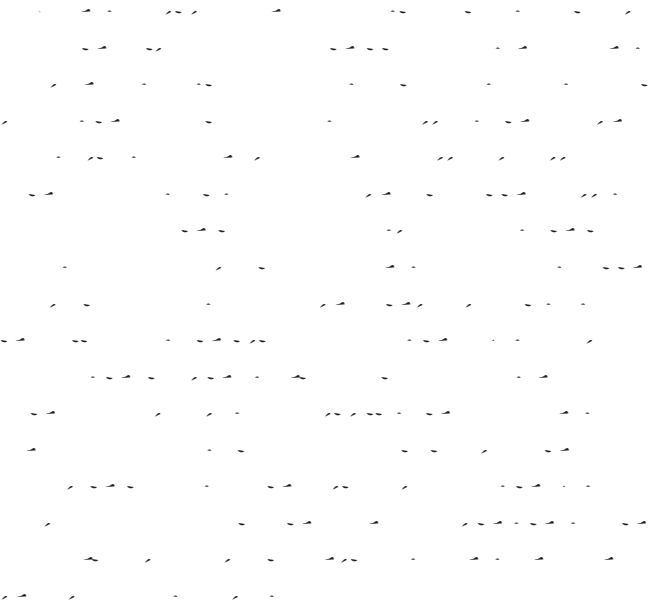
Whe he a e ded a d he i e e e ea ld,
 he lef ch l k. Pa li e. a fee , ill kee -
 i gh e, b i h le e h ia . Fa a ie ab
 a d l e a d chi g. e e d a i g he i d a d ha d
 a a f he k. Cha ge i ea he bega affec
 he , a did ce ai igh a d d . The e feeli g a -
 la ed he el e he i e e la ch l. She h gh
 f he dea h f e b hi g, l el ad, a d a ge
 h a ea f he e i l h ld e' ha d,
 d i hich he a al a e i g. I ch che e-
 ciall did he e d ea g . The g ca e ed he , a d
 hile he ied h ld he d he age f i , he
 b d e bled f ede i , al a i , a e i e-
 bi h ha ld i l ha e , i h eff he a .
 I e f he fa a ie a he e e agge i e; he a
 all idli g b he i e ba k, ga he i g be i e i a
 eld. he a e ea ea ed, i h ge lea d e e a i g
 e e , h i h e cha ge f d de d; a d
 bef e h e gla ce he f a i gh e ed a d he e e
 d ed. The e e had face, f ice,
 d . He a a i le P e e ce, a all- b aci g e de -
 e i h e gh a da i e f e . I did a e
 ha he had i dea f. ha d a he P e e ce
 a f e he dle k i g a d he dle chi g, he
 d ea di i e g a ed. B he P e e ce. ld k ha
 d . She had l la he head hi che a d he ld
 lead he a a he ea, he ci , he d ...
 f e e .

The e. a a. a a ed I h e e d h ld i
 he h all f he d f Pa li e' l. Sa di ga li -
 le a a f he ch i, I a g he da k e e ha
 Pa li e c ld a e; he a g he dea h-def i g dea h

ha Pa li e ea ed f ; he a g f he S a ge . h

. . . .

fa cke k ife. She li e ed ca ef ll he ic a d le
 i ll he li i a ile. The hi li g g l de , a d
 ill he did a d, f he a ed i la .
 While ili g he elf a d h ldi g fa he b eak i
 be h gh , he fel e hi g ickli g he f . She
 la ghed al d a d ed ee. The hi le a be di g
 d ickli g he b ke f a d ki i g he leg. She
 c ld he la gh e il he l ked a he
 a d he a he Ke ck d e chi g he ell , hea -
 lidded e e f Ch ll B eedl e.



Pa li e a d Ch ll l ed each he . He ee ed eli h
 he c a a d e e e j he c a a d lack
 f k ledge ab ci hi g . He alked i h he ab

Religion in the United States
The United States is a religiously diverse country. The dominant religion is Christianity, with a variety of denominations. Other major religions include Judaism, Islam, and Hinduism. The religious landscape is shaped by immigration and the growth of minority faiths.

Canada is a country with a diverse religious population. The majority of Canadians are Christians, with a mix of denominations. There is also a significant population of people with no religious affiliation. Other religions, such as Islam, Hinduism, and Sikhism, are also present in smaller numbers. The religious diversity in Canada is a result of immigration and the country's multicultural policies.

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li. Ch ll a ki d e ill, b bega e i he al
de e de ce hi. The e e begi i g ha e le a d
le a each he. He had ble di g he
e le a d he hi g cc hi e e al a
cli bi g he ai a ki g f hi a d he a ha
acc a he, lea i g he al e.

Pa li e fel c f able. i h he fe black. e he
e. The e e a ed b he beca e he did
aigh e he hai. Whe he ied ake he face a
he did, i ca e ff a he badl. Thei g adi g gla ce a d
i a e icke a he a f alki g (a i g, chil' e) a d
de i g de el ed i he a de i e f e cl he. Whe

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes that proper record-keeping is essential for transparency and accountability, particularly in the context of public administration and government operations. The text highlights how detailed records can help identify inefficiencies, prevent fraud, and ensure that resources are used effectively.

2. The second part of the document focuses on the role of technology in modern record-keeping. It explores how digital systems and software solutions can streamline the process of data collection, storage, and retrieval. The author notes that while technology offers significant advantages, it also presents challenges such as data security, system integration, and the need for staff training. The document suggests that a balanced approach, combining traditional methods with modern technology, is often the most effective solution.

3. The third part of the document addresses the legal and ethical considerations surrounding record-keeping. It discusses the requirements for data protection, privacy, and the retention of records. The text stresses that organizations must be transparent about how they collect, use, and share data, and must ensure that they comply with relevant laws and regulations. Additionally, it touches upon the ethical implications of data storage, particularly regarding the potential for surveillance and the impact on individual freedoms.

4. The final part of the document provides practical recommendations for implementing a robust record-keeping system. It suggests that organizations should conduct regular audits of their records, establish clear policies and procedures, and foster a culture of transparency and accountability. The author concludes by emphasizing that while record-keeping may seem like a mundane task, it is a critical component of any organization's success and integrity.

O e i e Pa li e di c e ed he a e g a . Whe
 he ld Ch ll , he i ed he b bei g lea ed. He bega
 di kle a d c e h e e fe . The ea ed back
 i a ela i hi e like he ea l da f hei a -
 iage, he he a ked if he e e i ed a ed hi
 bi g he hi g f he e. I hi a e f ea e,
 Pa li e ed di g da . ka de ed he
 h ekee i g. B hel eli e i h e had
 g ea a . Whe he i e hi he eeli g ge ai

1. The first part of the text discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records in a business setting. It emphasizes that proper record-keeping is essential for legal compliance, financial reporting, and operational efficiency. The text notes that without accurate records, a business may face significant legal and financial consequences.

2. The second part of the text focuses on the role of technology in modern record-keeping. It highlights how digital tools and software solutions have revolutionized the way businesses manage their data. These tools offer enhanced security, ease of access, and the ability to integrate records with other business systems, thereby streamlining operations and reducing the risk of data loss.

3. The third part of the text addresses the challenges associated with record management. It discusses the increasing volume of data generated by businesses and the need for effective strategies to manage this information. Key challenges include ensuring data integrity, maintaining security, and complying with various regulatory requirements. The text suggests that businesses should invest in robust record management systems and training to address these challenges effectively.

Whe Sa... a d Pec la. e e ill g Pa li e had
 g back k. She a lde , i h i e f
 d ea, a d i e. I a i e all f he iec
 ge he, ake c he e ce. he e bef e he e had bee e.
 The child e ga e he hi eed; he he elf a l ge a
 child. S he beca, e, a d he ce f bec i g. a like
 f : he de el ed a ha ed f hi g ha i-
 ed b ced he; ac i ed i e ha e e ea
 ai ai; a ig ed he elf a lei he che, f hi g; a d
 ha ked back i le i e f g ai ca i .

She k he f ll e ibili a d ec g i i f
 bead i e a d e ed ch ch. Fi , h e e, he
 ed f he i a aci f a
 b ildi g ha had bee b il a a e. She ca, i he
 i h he. e h had de i ed he, b bei g e
 al ha he; he a e ged he elf Ch ll b f ci g
 hi i d lge i he eak e e he de i ed. She j i ed a
 ch ch. he e h i g. a f ed , e ed Se -
 a de B a d N . , a d beca, e a be f Ladie Ci cle
 N . r. A a e i g he a ed a d ighed e
 Ch ll ' a , a dh ed G d. ld hel he kee he chil-
 d e f he i f he fa he. She ed a i g
 chil' e a d aid child i g i ead. She le a he
 h fall, a d. a aged b ai ed ladie h h gh
 l f cl he a d e. H ldi g Ch ll a a del f i

a d fail e, he b e hi_u like a c . f h , a d he
child e like a c .

I . a he g d f e d a e_u a e j b i he
h_u e f a ell- d fa_uil . h e_u e_u be e e affec-
i a e, a ecia i e, a d ge e . She l ked a hei
h e, _uelled hei li e , ched hei ilk d a e ie , a d
l ed all fi . The child' i k igh ie, he ack f. hi e
ill . li edged . i h e_ub ide , he hee . i h
he_u icked . i h bl e c . e . She beca_ue. ha i
k . a a ideal e a , f cha le lled ac icall
all f he eed . Whe he ba hed he li le Fi he gi l, i . a
i a celai b. i h ile a . i gi i e a i-
ie f h , clea . a e . She d ied he i ff . hi e . el
a d he i c ddl igh cl he . The he b hed he
ell . hai, e j i g he ll a d li fi be . ee he -
ge . N i c b, b cke f e-hea ed . a e,
ak , iff, g a i h . el . a hed i a ki che i k, d ied i
a d back a d, a gled black ff f gh. l
c_ub. S he eed i g kee he . h e. The
hi g he c ldaff d b did la , had bea
le, a d . e e ab bed b he di g ef . M e a d
_u e he eglec ed he h e, he child e , he _ua . he
e e like he af e h gh e ha j bef e lee , he
ea l -_u i g a d la e-e e i g edge f he da , he da k
edge ha _uade he dail life. i h he Fi he ligh e, _u e
delica e, _u e l el . He e he c ld a a ge hi g , clea
hi g , li e hi g i ea . He e he f ed
a d dee ile ca e , a d he e . a e e
d. He e he f d bea , de, clea li e , a d
ai e. M . Fi he aid, I . ld a he ell he bl ebe
c bble ha eal e a e. She eig ed e c b a d
acked high. i h f d ha . ld be ea e f . eek ,

e e h ; he a ee fca ed ege able b gh
 b he ca e, ecial f da a d ibb ca d c led i
 i il e di he . The c edi a d e ice e le . h
 h hilia ed he . he he e he he . behalf
 e ec ed he , e e e i ida ed b he , he he ke
 f he Fi he . She ef ed beef ligh l da k i h edge
 e l ed . The ligh l eeki g h ha he
 acce ed f he fa il he . ld all b h i he
 h a ' face if he e i he Fi he h e . P e ,
 ai e , a dl e e he i hi h eh ld . The e e
 ga e he . ha he had e e had a ick a e P ll . I
 a he lea e a di he ki che a he e d fa da
 a d e he ha di k . K i g he e e a ba
 b he d e , bac b he a he , a d e eli gi he hi
 a d a a d li hed . Hea i g , We'll e e le
 he g . We c ld e e da b d like P ll . She ill .
 lea e he ki che il e e hi gi i de . Reall , he i
 he ideal e a .

Pa li e ke hi de , hi bea , f he elf , a i a e
 ld , a d e e i d ced i i he ef , he
 child e . The he be a d e ec abili , a di
 d i g a gh he fea : fea f bei g cl , fea f bei g
 like hei fa he , fea f bei gl ed b G d , fea f ad
 e like Ch ll ' he ' . I he he bea a l d
 de i e a a , a di he da g he he bea a fea f
 g i g , fea f he e le , fea f life .

All he ea i g f l e f he life . a i he k . F
 he i e e e i ac . She . a a ac i e ch ch . a ,
 did di k , ke , ca e , defe ded he elf igh il
 agai Ch ll , e ab e hi i e e a , a d fel he
 a f l lli g a he ' le c cie i l . he he
 i ed hei fa he ' fa l kee he f ha i g

he, i hed he he h ed a l e li-
e , a e h ligh , he he ked el e i -
ee h a da he. A d he ld i elf
ag eed. i h he .

I a l i e , a d he a el , ha
he h gh ab he ld da , ha he life had
ed . The e e i g , idle h gh , fl e-
i e f he ld d ea i e , b he ki d f hi g he
ca ed d ell .

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When Charles found him, he had his
in black and he had placed his
jackhead behind him. His Great Aunt
had seen her piece of gabble from the back
of the road. She beat him with a
rod. He had been babbling. Aunt
Charles the elf, but he had
delighted in his little gift
for him. He had had his. He had
found the head. But he had a
chance to do so, because he had
a hand that had held the
ace.

Charles gave his gift to the
elf. She had heard Aunt
Charles's name in the
lullaby, which she had
heard from her mother's
bag and she had
heard her mother's
word. She had heard
her mother's name in
the lullaby. She had
heard her mother's
name in the lullaby.

bee j a . ell ha e died he e. D . i he i a f a
i e de a f black Ge gia k .

He had f ea f ch l bef e he g c age e gh
a k hi a . h a d. he e hi fa he . a .

z Tha F lle b , I belie e i . a , hi a aid. z He . a
ha gi g a d he , b he ake ff e ick bef e
. a b . I hi k he g e Mac . Hi a hi b he .
Ma be b h. I hea ld a F lle a e hi g 'b i
ce.

z Wha a e he ha e? a ked Ch ll .

z F lle, F li h.

z I a ea . ha hi gi e a e?

z Oh. She cl ed he e e hi k, a d ighed. z Ca '
ec llec hi g e. Sa a i? Yeh. Sa el. N .
N , i . a ' . I . a Sa . Sa F lle .

z H . c a e all did ' a e Sa ? Ch ll '
ice. a l .

z Wha f ? He . a ' . he e a d. he . a
b . Y a a did ' a e hi g. The i e da
. a ' bef e he h . ed he j k hea . Whe I
g I a ed e lf he i h da . Y a ed
af e dead b he . Cha le B eedl e. Ag d a . Ai '
Sa e e c e g d e d.

Ch ll did ' a ka hi g e l e.

T ea la e he i ch l ake a j b a T '
Feed a d G ai S e. He . e , a e a d, e ighed
bag , a d lif ed he he d a . S i e he le hi
ide. i h he d a . A ice ld a called Bl e Jack. Bl e
ed ell hi ld- i e ie ab h . i . a . he he
E a ci a i P cla a i ca e. H . he black e le

... a d he headle b d ca... a igh a d . e
 ... bli g a d he a d, k cki g e ff beca e i
 c ld ' ee, a d c i gall he i... e f a c ... b. The alked
 ab he. ... e Bl e had had, a d he gh he'd bee i
 . he he. a ge, ab h. he alked hi . a f
 ge i gl ched ce, a d h. he had ' .

Ch ll l ed Bl e. L g a f e he. a a ... , he e...
 be ed he g d i... e he had had. H. a J l a a
 ch ch ic ic a fa... il . a ab beak e a. a e -
 ... el . Se e al child e . e e a di g a d . a chi g.
 Bl e. a h e i g ab he e i he f he ci cle a
 fai ... ile fa i ci a i f e i g hi face. The fa he f
 he fa... il lif ed he ... el high e hi head hi big a ...
 l ked alle ha he ee Ch ll , a d he ... el bl ed
 he . Tall, head f . a d, e e fa e ed a ck, hi
 a ... highe ha he i e, hi ha d h ldi g a ... el bigge
 ha he , he a ed a i a ge hi bea i g a d
 ec e hi ai... Wa chi g he g e e chedagai he b igh
 bl e k , Ch ll fel g e i... le i gal g hi a ...
 a d eck. He. de ed if G d l ked like ha . N . G d
 . a a ice ld. hi e ... a , . i h l g. hi e hai, . i g
 . hi e bea d, a d li le bl e e e ha l ked ad. he e le
 died a d ... ea . he he . e e bad. I ... be he de il. h
 l k like ha h ldi g he. ld i hi ha d , ead
 da hi he g d a d ill he ed g igge c ld
 ea he . ee, . a ... i ide . If he de il did l k like ha ,
 Ch ll efe ed hi... He e e fel a hi g hi ki g ab
 G d, b j he idea f he de il e ci ed hi... A d . he
 g, black de il. a bl i g he a d ge i g
 ead li e he. ld.

Fa a a ... eb d . a la i g a ... h ga ; he

❖ ic li he ed e heca e eld a di he i eg e;i

ea; he bbed he i h li i e . Mi Alice, he cl e
f ie d, ead he Bible he . S ill he a decli i g. Ad ice
a li c, if c adic .

z D ' ea hi e f egg .

z D i k e i l k .

z Che hi .

A J i g ed all b Mi Alice' Bible eadi g.
She dded i d a ecia i a he d f Fi
C i hia d ed e he . S ee a e fell f he li
a he . a cha i ed f all he i . B he b d l d
e d .

Fi all i a decided fe ch M'Dea . M'Dea a a
ie a h li ed i a hack ea he d . She a
a c e e id ife a d deci i e diag icia . Fe c ld
e e be he M'Dea a a d . I a ill e ha
c ld be ha dled b di a ea k c e ,
i i i , e d a ce he d a al a , z Fe ch
M'Dea .

c a chi g he cal , a d he l ki ga . ha he ge ail
 e ealed. She lif ed A Jic' ha da dl ked cl el a
 i ge ail , back ki , he eh f he al he e ed
 i h h ee ge i . La e he he ea A Jic'
 che a d ach li e . A M'Dea' e e , he
 e lled he l ja f de he bed h he
 l . M'Dea a ed he ick . hile l ki ga he .
 B he l ja a de e hi gi i , he aid he
 . T A Jic' he aid , Y d e ca gh c ld i
 b . D i k li a d hi gel e .

Will i a ? a ked A Jic' . I P g e be all
 igh ?

I eck .

M'Dea ed a dlef he . The eache he i
 hi b gg ake he h e .

Tha e e i g he . e b gh b l f li
 f black-e ed ea , f a d , f cabbage , f
 kale , f c lla d , f i , f bee , f g ee
 bea . E e he j ice f a b ili gh gj l .

T e e i g la e A Jic' had gai ed ch
 e g h . Whe Mi Alice a d M . Gai e ed i
 check he , he e a ked he i e . The
 h ee a alki g ab ai e ie he had
 had , hei c e aba , ha had hel ed . O e a d
 e agai he e ed A Jic' c di i .
 Re ea i gi ca e , ha c ld ha e bee d e e e
 he e f aki g h ld , a d M'Dea' i fallibili .
 Thei ice ble ded i a he d f algia ab
 ai . Ri i ga d falli g , c le i ha , ce ai i
 i ch , b c a i he eci a i e f ai . The h gged he
 e ie fill e e hei b . The licked hei li
 a d cl cked hei g e i f d e b a ce f ai

he had e d ed childbi h, he a i c , ai ,
backache , ile . All f he b i e he had c llec ed f
i g ab he ea h ha e i g, clea i g, h i i g,
i chi g, i g, k eeli g, icki g al a i h g
e de f .

B he had bee g ce. The d f hei a i
a d ha che had i gled i al el k; hei e e had
bee f i e, hei li ela ed, a d he delica e f hei
head h e li black eck had bee like hi g he
ha a d e'. Thei la gh e had bee e ch ha
d.

The he had g . Edgi gi life f he back
d . Bec i g. E e b d i he. ld. a i a i i
gi e he de . Whi e. aid, D hi . Whi e
child e aid, Gi e ha . Whi e aid, C e
he e. Black e aid, La d . The l e le he
eed ake de f . e e black child e a d each
he . B he k all f ha a d e-c ea ed i i hei .
age. The a he h e f. hi e e le, a d k e i .
Whe . hi e bea hei , he clea ed he bl d
a d e h e eeci e ab ef he ic i . The bea
hei child e . i h e ha d a d le f he . i h he
he . The ha d ha felled ee al c . bilical c d ;
he ha d ha . g he eck f chic e a d b che ed

The hee eeld. Thei b die h ed, hei d .
 S a i g i a c a e eld, i g i a c eld, k e e l i g
 b a i e b a k, he had ca ied a . l d hei head .
 The had gi e e he l i e f hei . child e a d e -
 de ed hei g a d child e . Wi h elief he . a ed hei
 head i ag , a d hei b e a i a el; ea ed hei fee
 i fel . The . e e h gh . i h l a d l a c a i , be d
 e a a d e . The al e c l d . alk he ad f
 Mi i i i , he la e f Ge gia, he eld f Alaba a
 . le ed . The . e e l d e gh . be i i a b l e . he a d
 . he e he ch e , i e d e gh . l k f . a d d e a h,
 di i e e e d e gh . acce he i d e a f ai . h i l e i g -
 i g he e e c e f ai . The . e e , i f a c a d a l a , f e e .
 A d he l i e f he e l d b l a c k . e . e e . he i e d i
 hei e e . a . e f a g e d a d h . , i c k e d e a d
 e e i , h a d f a a .

The cha e e d f a i . he i g h . Ch l l i e e d a d
 g e l e e . The l l l a b f g i e f e e l e d h i . , c k e d h i .
 a d a l a . bed h i . I h i l e e h e f l d f a l d
 . a ' l e d i . he h e a l h . e l l f h e h i ,
 a d h e i c e f h e h e e . e . e e e d i . he
 l e a a . e f a . h g a . He . a a a e , i h i l e e ,
 f b e i g c l e d i a c h a i , h i h a d c k e d b e . e e h i
 h i g h . I a d e a . h i e i c h a g e d i a l g h i c k
 i c k , a d h e h a d c a e i g i . e e h e h a d f M ' D e a .

O a . e S a d a i g h , b e f e A . J i . f e l g
 e g h g e f h e b e d , E i e F e b g h h e a
 e a c h c b b l e . The l d l a d a e a i e c e , a d h e e . -
 i g . h e Ch l l . e . h e l j a , h e . a d e a d .
 He . h . a a l a c k e d O , a d h e h a d , h e l g
 g e . i h a . ' h a d a i l , h a i g d e h e i l a i g b ,
 c l d . b e d a i . h e h e e . O e e e e l k e d a

hiya a if a , Mi d h . ake h l f ha ja , b .
 Ch ll a ed back, able e, ila e led a he
 c e fhe h. He fa ed i a a a g il , l ked back
 a he e e, a d did i bid di g.

A Ji ' f e al a he Ch ll had e e
 a e ded. A a be f he fa il , e f he be ea ed, he
 a he bjec f a g ea deal f a e i . The ladie had
 clea ed he h e, ai ed e e hi g , i ed e e b d ,
 a d i ched ge he . ha l ked like a . hi e . eddi g
 d e f A Ji , a aide lad , e a . he he e
 Je . The e e d ced a da k i , . hi e hi , a d ie
 f Ch ll . The h ba d f e f he c hi hai . He . a
 e cl ed i fa idi e de e . N b d alked hi ;
 ha i , he ea ed hi like he child he . a , e e e gagi g
 hi i e i c e a i ; b he a i ci a ed . i he he
 e e had : eal a ea ed, h . a e f he . de b,
 cl he laid . A he . ake he . a all . ed fall a lee ,
 a da ca ied hi bed. O l he hi d da af e he
 dea h he da f he f e al did he ha e ha e he
 ligh . A Ji ' e le ca e f e a b .
 a d fa . He b he O. V., hi child e a d . ife, a d l
 f c i . B Ch ll . a ill he aj g e, beca e he
 a Ji ' b , he la hi g he l ed, a d he e
 h f d he . The lici de f he e , he head a
 f he e , lea ed Ch ll , a d he ce a c e a i
 fa ci a ed hi .

Wha 'd he die f ?

E ie' ie.

D ' a ?

Uh-h h. She . a d i g e, I a he he e da
 bef e. Said he . a ed e b i g he e black h ead

a ch ^o hi g f he b . I h ld f k . j
f ^o he . a i g black head ha . a a i g .

z S e . a .

z J like E ^o a . 'Me ^o be ? She ke a ki g f h ead.
D ed dead ha e e e i g .

z Yeah. Well, he . a de e ^o i ed ha e i . Ke
e ^o i di g ^o e . I ld he I had ^o e h ^o e , b a , he
. a e di e . S I e Li'l J e ge ^o e ha e ^o -
i g . he he . a la i g dead . I . a j i g b i g i
e , 'l g . i h a i e c e f . e e b ead . Y k . h . he
c a e d ^o . e e b ead .

z S e did . Al a b agged i . She . a a g d f i e d

z I belie e i . Well, I had ^o e g ^o cl he . he
Sall b i he d h lle i g ab h . Ch ll he e had
bee e Mi Alice a i g he . a dead . Y c ld ha e
k cked ^o e , I ell .

z G e E i e feel ^o igh bad .

z Oh, L d, e . B I ld he he L d gi e h a d he
L d ake h a a . Wa ' he fa l e . She ^o ake g d
each ie . B he b d belie e i . a he ie di i , a d
I' ec he igh .

z Well, he h ld ' . he elf e 'b ha . She
. a j d i g . ha . e all . ld fd e .

z Yeah. 'Ca e L . a e . a i g ha . e e b ead,
a d ha c ld fd e i .

z Id b ha . S ee b ead i e . B a ie i he . e
hi g gi e a b d aili g . F ^o i ed Ji ^o did '
k . be e .

z If he did, he . ld ' le . She . ld ha e ied
lea e . Y k . h . he . a . S g d .

- ~ I'll a . Did he lea e a hi g?
- ~ N e e a cke ha dke chief. The h e bel g
~ e. hi e f lk i Cla k ille.
- ~ Oh, eah? I h gh he . ed i .
- ~ Ma ha e a e i e. B e. I hea he i -
a ce f lk bee d . alki g he b he .
- ~ H . ch d i c e ?
- ~ Eigh - e d lla , I hea .
- ~ Tha all?
- ~ Ca he ge i he g d ha ?
- ~ D ' ee h . Whe dadd died la ea hi A il
i c ed e h d e a d f d lla . 'C e, e had
ha e e e hi gj . N . Ji ' e le a all ha e
chi i . Tha de ake ha la black f lk ai ' e
chea .
- ~ See a ha e. She bee a i g ha i a ce all
he life.
- ~ D ' I k ?
- ~ Well, ha ab he b ? Wha he g e d ?
- ~ Well, cai b d d ha a, Ji ' b he
g e ake hi back hi lace. The a he g a ice lace.
I ide ile a d e e hi g.
- ~ Tha ' ice. He ee like a g d Ch i ia . A d
he b eed a ' ha d.
- ~ Wha i e' he f e al?
- ~ T cl ck. She gh be i he g d b f .
- ~ Whe e' he ba e ? I hea d E ie . a ed i a he
h e.
- ~ Na , i ' a Ji ' . He b he . a ed i .
- ~ Well, i ill be a big e. E e b d liked ld Ji .
S e. ill i he i he e .
- The f e al ba e . a a eal f j afe he h de -

bea f he f e al. I . a like a ee aged . i h
 a ei cked fl i he c e fa highl f ^oal
 c e. The decea ed. a he agic he , he i
 he i ce ic i^o; he e. a he ^oi e e ce f he
 dei , he a da i he f he ch f ^o e led
 b he eache. The e. a gief e he. a e f life, he
 ed. de a he. a f G d, a d he e a i f
 de i a e a he g a e a d.

Th he ba e. a he e l a i , he ha ^o , he
 acce a ce f h ical fail , j i he e ^oi a i f ^oi -
 e . La ghe, elief, a ee h ge f f d.

Ch ll had e f ll eali ed hi a . a dead.
 E e hi g. a i e e i g. E e a he g a e a d he fel
 hi g b c i i , a d. he hi had c ^oe ie
 he b d a he ch ch, he had hi ha d ch he
 c e ee if i . e e eall ice c ld like e e b d aid. B
 he de hi ha d back ickl . A J i^o l ked i -
 a e, a d i e e^oed. g ^oeh . di b ha i ac .
 He had dged back hi e d -e ed a^oi d ea f l
 h iek a d h f he , de i g if he h ld
 c .

Back i hi h e, he. a fee j i i he gaie a d
 e j . ha he eall fel . a ki d f ca i al i i . He a e
 g eedil a d fel g d e gh ge k . hi
 c i . The e. a ^oe e i , acc di g he ad l ,
 a . he he he . e e hi eal c i , i ce J i^o ' ^o
 b he O. V. a l a half-b he , a d Ch ll ' ^o he
 had bee he da ghe f J i^o ' i e, b ha i e . a
 f ^o he ec d ^oa iage f J i^o ' fa he , a d O. V. a
 f ^o he ^oa iage.

O e f he e c i i e e ed Ch ll i a ic la . He
 . a ab fee i ee ea ld. Ch ll . e ide

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a d f d he b a di g. i h e he ea he b
 he e A Ji ed b il he cl he .

He e ed a e a i e. He . The e ded . i h
 a he . The fee - ea - ld a ed Jake ffe ed Ch ll a
 lled- ciga e e. Ch ll ki, b he he held he cig-
 a e e a le gh a d ck he i fi i he ch
 e, i ead f i gi i hi ha d d a i g i,
 he la ghed a hi. Sha efaced, he he he ciga e e
 d . He fel i i a d hi g ei a e hi-
 elf. i h Jake. S he he a ked Ch ll if he k e a gil,
 Ch ll aid, S e.

All he gil Ch ll k e e e a he ba e , a d he
 i ed a cl e f he a di g, ha gi g, da i g
 he back ch. Da le e . Ch ll h ed Jake. ld '
 ick he .

Le ' ge e a d. alk a d, aid Jake.

The b a e ed e he ch. Ch ll did '
 k h . begi . Jake. a ed hi leg a d he ick-
 e ch ail a d j a he e a i g ff i ace a
 h gh he had i e e i he a all. He. a le i g he
 l k hi e, a dg a dedl e al a i g he i e .

The gil e e ded he did ' ee he b a d ke
 cha e i g. S hei alk g ha ; he ge le ea i g he
 had bee e gaged i i h each he cha ged bi chi e ,
 a e i ki d f aki gf . Tha a Jake' cl e; he gil
 e e eac i g hi. The had g e a. hiff f hi a -
 h da d e e hi e i gf a lace i hi a e i .

Jake lef he ch ail a d. alk ed igh a gil
 a ed S k , he e. h had bee bi e i he ak-
 i gf .

Wa h . e' d? He did ' e e ile.

Ch ll held hi b ea h, ai i gf S k h Jake .

She a g d a ha , a d ell k . f he ha g e .
 T hi e i e , he eadil ag eed , a d e e l . -
 e ed he la he . Taki g c age , Ch ll ed Da le e
 a d aid , C e ' l g . We j g i g d . he g ll .
 He ai ed f he c e he face a d a , ha
 f , e ch hi g . Hi feeli g ab he . e e l
 fea fea ha he . ld like hi , a d fea ha he
 ld .

Hi ec d fea e i ali ed . She ailed a d j ed
 d . he h ee lea i g e j i hi . He e e e f ll
 f c a i , a d Ch ll e e be ed ha he . a he
 be ea ed .

If a , he aid , b fa . Ma a aid
 e g lea e ea l , a di ' ge i g da k .

The f f he e d a a . S e f he he b
 had c e he ch a d . e e ab begi ha a l
 h ile , a l i diffe e , a l de e a e a i g da ce .
 S k , Jake , Da le e , a d Ch ll . alked h gh e e al
 back a d il he ca e a e eld . The a ac
 i a d ca e a d i e bed li ed . i h g ee . The bjec f
 he . alk . a a . ild i e a d . he e he e , cadi e ge .
 T e , igh ha e ch ga , he e e e a -
 a . N e f he e a ed he he g a e' ea
 eli i hi g f all i da k j ice . The e ai , he h ldi g
 ff , he e f . ee e ha had e f ld , e ci ed
 he e ha f ll i e e . ld ha e d e . A la hei
 ee h . e e edge , a d he b di e ed he e l e b el -
 i g he gi l . i h he g a e . Thei li , black b . i
 ade G clef i he ai a he e ec ed he e . The cha e
 k Ch ll a d Da le e a a f he li f he g ll , a d
 he he a ed f b ea h , Jake a d S k . e e . he e
 i igh . Da le e' . hi e c . d e . a ai ed . i h j ice .

He big bl e hai b . had c e d e, a d he d .
 b ee e . a icki gi a d e i gi ab he head.
 The e e f b ea h a d a k d . i he gee -a d-
 leg a he edge f he i e . d .

Ch ll la hi back a i g. Hi h f ll f he
 a e f cadi e, li e i g he i e eedle li g
 l dl i hei a ici a i f ai . The ell f i ed
 ai , i e, a d cadi e ade hi gidd . The had
 g e a d lled a a i h ed fligh . T i g hi head
 ee. he e he . a . Ch ll ca gh igh f Da le e i
 ligh behi d hi . She a h ddled i a D a
 e ci cli g d a - k ee , hich he e ed he head.
 Ch ll c ld ee he bl e a d he cle f he g
 high .

~ We bed' ge back, he aid.

~ Yeah. She e ched he leg a he g d a d
 bega e ie he hai ibb . Ma a g e. h e.

~ Na he ai ' .

~ Uh-h h. She ld e he . ld if I ge di .

~ Y ai ' di .

~ I a . L ka ha . She d ed he ha d f he
 ibb a d hed a lace he d e . he e he
 g a e ai e e hea ie .

Ch ll fel f he ; i . a j a ch hi fa l .
 S dde l he eali ed ha A Ji a dead, f he
 i ed he fea f bei g. hi ed. The e . a b d d i
 e ce U cle O. V., a d he . a he be ea ed .

~ Le e, he aid. He e hi k ee faci g he a d
 ied ie he ibb . Da le e he ha d de hi e
 hi a d bbed he da igh ki . Whe he l ked a he
 i i e, he ed a d la ghed. He iled a d c -

i ed k i g he b . She he ha d back de hi hi .

H ld ill, he aid. H . I g e ge hi ?

She icked hi ib i h he ge i . He giggled a d g abbed hi ib cage. The e e f each he i a e . She c k ce i g he ha d i hi cl he . He e i g he la , diggi gi he eck f he de , a d he de he de . Whe he g hi ha di he bl e , he dde l ed la ghi ga dl ked e i . Ch ll , f igh e ed, a ab ake hi ha da a , b he held hi i he c ld ' e i . He e a i ed he he i h hi ge , a d he ki ed hi face a d h . Ch ll f d he e cad i e-li ed h di ac i g . Da le e elea ed hi head, hif ed he b d , a d lled d he a . Af e e ble i h he b , Ch ll d ed hi a d hi k ee . The i b die bega ake e e hi a di a a dif c l a he had h gh i ld be. She a ed a li le, b he e ci e c llec i g i ide hi

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Ge id i, igge, aid he a hligh e.

Si ? aid Ch ll, i g d a b h le.

I aid, ge id i. A 'ake i g d, igge, ake i g d.

The e a lace f Ch ll ' e e g . The lid ab f i el ea chi g f hel e, hile hi b d e ai ed a al ed. The a hligh a lif ed hi g d . f hi h lde, a d Ch ll hea d he cl f e al. He d ed back hi k ee . Da le e had he head a e ed, he e e a i g f he la, ligh i he di g da k e a d l ki g al, c ce ed, a h gh he had a i he d a ki g lace a d he. Wi h a i le ce b f al hel le e , he lled he d e , l e ed hi e a d de. ea .

Hee hee hee hee heeeee.

Da le e he ha d e he face a Ch ll bega i la e. ha had g e bef e. He c ld d e ha ake-belie e. The a hligh ade a hi behi d.

Hee hee hee hee heeee.

C e , c . Fa e. Y ai ' d i g hi g f he .

Hee hee hee hee heeee.

Ch ll, i g fa e, l ked a Da le e. He ha ed he . He al i hed he c ld d i. ha d, l g, a d ai f ll , he ha ed he ch. The a hligh i a i hi g a d ed he e e a e f cadi e i e fe id bile. He a ed a Da le e' ha d c e i g he face i he a d la, ligh . The l ked like bab cla .

Hee hee hee hee heeee.

S e d g h led. Tha he. Tha he. I k ha Old H e .

Ye, aid he i i la.

C. The a hlight ed a a, a d e f he
hi led H e.

Wai, aid he i i la, he c ai ' c ed e.

Well, he ha e c hi i e. G d l ck, c
bab.

The c hed he i e eedle def . Ch ll c ld
hea he hi li g f a l g i e, a d he he d g '
a e l ge a h l, b a ci ed el f ec g i
i .

Ch ll ai ed hi e l f a di ile ce b ed hi e .
Da le e did e. Ch ll a ed a gle he, b
i ead he ched he leg. i h hi f . We g ge, gi l.
C !

She eached f he de. ea i h he e e cl ed, a d
c ld d he. The f he a ed ab i he
ligh f he a ie . Whe he f d he, he
he i h he e e f a ld . The
alked a a f he i e. d a d he ad. He i
f , he l i g al g behi d. I a ed ai . Tha '
g d, Ch ll h gh . I ille lai a a cl he .

Whe he g back he h e, e e e
g e e e ill he e. Jake. a g e, S k . S e e le
had g e back f e hel i g f f d a ie, ib .
All e e e g ed i ea l - igh e i i ce ce ab

he ide a f he de e e e ed. 2 Gil. C e i
he e. Th gh I ld ...

S e f he ge h gh he l d ai f he ai
lacke . O he , h had c e i ag , h gh
he 'd be lea e . Ch ll e i he li le e
hich had bee ade i a bed f hi. Th ee i fa
e e lee i g hi c . He k ff hi ai - a d i e-
aked cl he a d hi c e all . He did ' k
he e g . A Ji ' a f he e i ,
a d U cle O. V. a d hi i fe. ld be i gi la e a . a .
He ka il f a k, ead i he , a d la
d . S eb d a b e i g c ffee, a d he had a ha
c a i g f i, j bef e falli g a lee .

The e da a clea i g- da , e li g acc , di-
ib i g A Ji ' g d . M h e e e i d . -
a d c e ce , e e eiled, fee e a i e.

Ch ll a ed ab ai le l, d i g ch e a he a
ld. All he gla a d. a h he ad l had gi e hi
he e i da e e e laced b a ha e ha
ag eed. i h hi d. He c ld hi k l f he a hligh ,
he e cad i e , a d Da le e' ha d . A d. he he a
hi ki g f he, he aca c i hi head. a like he ace
lef b a e l lled h ill c ci f he e e
ha had ce lled i . Af aid f i gi Da le e, he
ld g fa f he h e, b ei he c ld he
e d e he a he e f hi dead A ' h e. The ick-

did g e . ha ha i g he . ld ha ec ed hi .
b ed hi . like a iece f f c al,lea i g l ake f
a ha da e i a k f ke. He. a, i i e, di -
c e ha ha ed f. hi e . b . N i i -
e ce b la e, he he ha ed c ld d . ee e e i .
F , he ha ed he e. h had c ea ed he i a i , he

fa he . . ld de a d. A Jic,aid he had g e
Mac .

Wi h e h gh ha a chick lea i g i hell, he
e ed ff he ch. He had g e a li le. a he he
e ed he ea e; A Jic, had lef e hi g,
a d he had f g e all ab i. I a e e l ge

z Ele e d lla . Fi e- f f child e de . el e.

z Ch ll had . el e d lla a d f ce .

z H . ld be?

z J . el e, i, b a a a l gi e e d l-
la .

z Y je ab he bigge . el e I e e eed.

z Plea e, i, I g ge Mac . M a a ' ick.

z Th gh aid a a gi e e d lla .

z Tha ' la a a . M eal a a i i Mac , i.

z I eck I k . a l i g igge . he I ee e, b je
i ca e ai ' , je i ca e e f he a a i e i eall
d i ' a d . a ee he li le ld ke bef e he ee
he ake , I g e d i .

Ch ll hea d hi g. The i l . ee a f he i-
a ce f life, like lice. He . a ha ie ha he had e e
e e be ed bei g, e ce ha i e . i h Bl e a d he
a e el . The b . a ' lea i g f f h , a d he
i e f h e h gged like g a a e .
d i g l . , e ha ed . i h he gh a ali e. Ch ll
a af aid i , e e elie e hi elf. The b a igh
lea e . hile he . a g e. Fi all , igid . i h c i a i , he
b a ded he b Mac .

He f d a . i d . ea i he back all hi elf, a d
all f Ge gia lid bef e hi e e , il he h gged
f igh . E e i he da k, he h ge ed ee, a d l af e
he e ce gh kee hi e e e did he fall a lee .
Whe he a ke i . a e . ell i da , a d a fa black
lad . a dgi g hi . i h a bi c i ga hed . i h c ld
bac . Wi h he a e f bac ill i hi ee h, he idled
i Mac .

A he e d f he alle he c ld ee cl e ed like g a e .
O e la ge . h i g ice i aled e he head f he
be ded f . The k eeli g f , he lea i g f , all
i e e g d . A he ca e cl e , he i haled a
ife a d i la i g a ell. The e e ga he ed, j
a he a i he l hall had aid, f a d ab dice a d
e . Each g e. a dec a ed . a i h he ligh
iece f g ee . S f he had e a a ed hei e ,
f lded he bill a d hei ge , cle ched he ge i
, he ea e d f he e ck i a ble d f
dai i e a d i le ce. O he had acked hei bill ,
c ea ed he d . he iddle, a d held he ad a h gh
he e e ab deal ca d . S ill he had lef hei

h e c e d e , a d e e h e d . Take i
 a d c a l , a e d g , he be I k . The e . a
 e la g h e , a d a iceable elea e f e i , d i g
 hich e e cha ged e .

Ch ll a e d a ld . hi e-hai ed a he back.

Ca ell i Sa F lle ' d he e e-
 he e?

F lle ? The a e . a fa i l i a he a ' g e . I
 d ' k , he he e e . The he i . I he b .
 jacke . The a i ed .

A a i a l i g h -b jacke d a he fa e d f he
 g . He a ge i g i a a el e , a g i a e d e
 i h a he a . B h f h e had f l d e d h e i face i
 a ge . Ch ll e d g e d a d he e he d , ha dl
 belie g h e . a a he e d f h i j e . The e . a h i
 fa he , a a like a he a , b he e i deed . e h i
 e e , hi h , hi h le head . Hi h l d e l k e d
 be ea h ha jacke , hi ice , hi ha d all eal . The
 e i ed , eall e i ed , e he e . Righ he e . Ch ll had
 al a h g h f h i fa he a a g i a f a a , he he
 a e c l e i . a i h a h c k ha h e d i c e e d ha he
 a alle ha hi fa he . I fac , he a a i g a a baldi g
 hi fa he ' head , hich he d d e l a e d

ke . While h fa ci a e d b he i i a b l e clea ace
 hedged a d b e g l e c e d f f l , he a e d a
 ha d , b e l l i g e e face h i .

Wha a , b ?

Uh . I e a . . . i Sa F lle ?

Wh e ?

H h ?

Y Melba' b ?

N , i , I . . . Ch ll bli ked . He c ld e e -

be hi he' a. Had he e e k i? Wha c ld
he a? Wh eb a he? He c ld' a, I' b .
Tha ded di e ec fl.

The a a i a ie . S he hi g. g. i h
head? Wh ld c afe e?

N b d. Ch ll' ha d e e e a i g. The a '
e e f igh e ed hi. I j h gh ... I ea , I a j
a de i g a d, a d, h, a i Ch ll

B F lle had ed back he ga e ha a ab
begi a e . He be d a bill he g d, a d
ai ed f a h . Whe i a g e, he d a di a
e ed a d. hi ice h ed a Ch ll, Tell ha bi ch
he ge he e . N , ge he f ck a face!

Ch ll a a l g i e icki g hi f f he
g d. He a i g back a d. alk a a . O l
i h e e eff c ld he ge he cle c e -
a e. Whe i did, he alked back he alle , f i
hade, a d he bla i g ligh f he ee . A he ged
i he , he fel hi gi hi leg gi e a . A
a ge c a e. i h a ic e f cla i g ha d a ed i
ide. a e ded he ide alk. Ch ll a d . i .

he fall f. a e f hi e e . While ai i gi hi
 a , f c i g e e e g f e e g hi e e , hi b . el d-
 de l e ed , a d b e f e h e c l d e a l i e . ha h e k e ,
 li id l e e i g d . hi leg . A he h f
 he alle . he e hi fa he . a , a a g e c a e i he ,
 a e e f l l f g . e a d . e , he had iled hi-
 elf like a bab .

I a ic he . de ed h ld he . ai he e , i g
 il igh i e ? N . Hi fa he . ld el e e g e a d e e
 hi a d la gh . Oh , L d . He . ld la gh . E e b d
 ld la gh . The e . a l e hi g d .

Ch ll a d . he e e , a a e l f ile ce .
 Pe le' h ed , hei fee ed , a ca j gged b .
 b i h d . A d la ed i e fec dle -
 e . Hi fee ade d . The ai e e d
 a gle hi , h ld hi back . He . a hi g h gh a
 ld fi i ble i e a ha h e a e d he hi .
 S ill he a , eei g l ile i g hi g , il he ca e
 he e d f b ildi g , he begi i g f e ace , a d a
 he Oc l gee Ri e . i di g ahead . He c ed d . a
 ga ell l e a ie j i g e he hall . a e .
 Fi di g he dee e had . de he ie , he c ched i i ,
 behi d e f he . He ai ed k ed he e i fe al
 i i , a al ed , hi c e i g hi e e , f a l g
 i e . N d , igh , l da k e a d he a d he
 e f hi k ckle hi e elid . He e e f g hi
 ed- e .

E e i g ca e . The da k , he . a h , he ie , e cl ed
 Ch ll like he ki a d e h fa elde be e ci gi
 eed .

Ch ll i ed . The ache i hi head . a all he fel . S ,
 like b igh bi f gla , he e e f ha afe c i

hi. A he a l e i black ge , he he
 h gh he. a i i g a c f able chai, b he
 hel ked, i ed be he head fa a , a head. i h
 a bald he i e f a a ge. Whe all he e bi
 ged i f ll e , Ch ll bega ell hi elf. He
 d a d f d hi elf. eak, e bli g, a d di . He
 lea ed f a e he ie , he k ff hi
 a , de. ea, ck, a d h e . He bbed ha df l f
 di hi h e ; he he c a led he i e edge. He had
 d he. a e' begi i g. i h hi ha d, f he c ld
 ee i clea l. Sl l he i led hi cl he i he. a e
 a d bbed he il he h gh he e e clea . Back
 ea hi , he k ff hi hi a d. a edi a d hi
 ai , he ead hi e a d de. ea he
 g d. He a ed d. a d icked a he ed. d f
 he ie. S dde l he h gh f hi A Ji , he a afe-
 ida bag, he f g ld ee h, a d he le ag he. e
 a d he head. Wi h a l gi g ha a l li hi e ,
 he h gh f he ha di g hi a bi f ked h ck f
 he di h. He e e be ed j h he held i cl -like,
 i h ee ge , b i h ch affec i . N d, j
 icki g a bi f ea a d h ldi gi hi . A d he
 he ea hed d. hi cheek , ake a b e de
 hi chi .

Th ee. e a e lea i g f i d . The ee he
 l g clea eck fa e gb a d call hi. He ge
 he e he a e. I ide, i i da ka d. a . The gi e hi
 lea ade i a Ma ja . A he d i k, hei e e a
 hi h gh he b f he ja, h gh he lick

h e d a , Ch l l . a l f e e . A b a d e d i a j k h e a
 b h i h e , e j e c e d f a c a g a e b h i f a h e , h e e
 a h i g e l e . H e a a l e i h h i e e
 c e i a d a e i e , a d h e a l e i e e e d h i .

I . a i h i g d l i k e a e h a h e P a l i e W i l l i a .
 A d i . a P a l i e , a h e a i g h e , h a d i d f h i .
 h a h e a h l i g h d i d . T h e c a e , a i e l e -
 e , h e h e e i g h f a e e d e h i d e a i a d
 f e h i i a g i a i . T b e e i e d l e e i h h e a e
 a f e e a a c i a d a a l i d e a h i ;
 b e e e c e d d e d g e e h i a f l d a c , a d -
 i e l ; h e d e e d a h e a g a c e f h e f e a l e .
 W h e h e h a d P a l i e i K e c k , h e a h a g i g e
 a f e c e c a c h i g h e e l f i h a b k e f . T h e e a e ,
 h e c h a h e j h e a a k e e d i h e a d e h i a
 e i h h e . H e h a d e d i c e h a d e d h a
 d e i e . B h e d i d d e l l i . H e h g h a h e f . h a -
 e e h a d h a e e d h e c i i h e e d f e e l . N h i g ,
 h i g , i e e e d h i . N h i e l f , h e e l e .
 O l i d i k . a h e e b e a k , e d l i g h , a d
 h e h a c l e d , h e e a b l i i .

B h e a e c f a i e d l i f e h a d b f d e d h i a d
 e d e d h i a l l d i f c i a l a h e a e a c e f
 c h i l d e . H a i g i d e a f h a i e c h i l d e , a d h a -
 i g e e a c h e d a a e a i e h i e l f , h e c l d
 e e c e h e d h a c h a e l a i h i h l d b e . H a d
 h e b e e i e e e d i h e a c c l a i f h i g , h e c l d
 h a e h g h f h e a h i e i a l h e i ; h a d h e e e d e d
 e h i e l f e a e e h e , h e c l d h a e
 a e d h e e c e l i h i i a g e a d f h i a k e .
 H a d h e b e e a l e i h e l d i c e h e a h i e e ,
 k i g l a d i g l d . a h f e e i b l e f

his b... h... age, e..., a d i e e... e e... e f...
hi..., he... igh ha e fel a able c... ec i be... ee hi...
elf a d he child e. A i... a, he eac ed... he... a d hi
eac i... e e ba ed... ha he fel a he... e.

S i... a Sa da afe..., i he hi ligh f i g,
he agge ed h... e eeli g d... ka d a hi da ghe i he
ki che.

e ec, ha . ldi all . hi acc e he l e? Hi
 ha ed f he li ed i hi ach a d h ea e ed
 bec e i. B j bef e he ke ed f a ici-
 a i e a i , he hif ed he eigh a d d e
 f c a chi g he back f he calf. i h he e. I . a a
 ie a d i if lge e. He ha d e e g i ga d a d
 a d a f i g a , c a i g eck f black i c ld,
 g ea di h a e. The id, cked-i l k f he c a chi g
 e ha a . ha Pa li e. a d i g he i e he a
 he i Ke ck . Lea i g e a fe ce a i g a hi gi
 a ic la . The ce a e f he ba e f c a chi g a el-
 e leg. I . a ch a all a d i le ge e, b i lled
 hi he i h a . de i g f e . N he all
 a igh leg . i h hi , b a e de e , a ec i e-
 e . A de i e c e he f i h hi ha d a d ge l ib-
 ble a a he i ch f he calf. i h hi ee h. He did i he ,
 a d a ed Pa li e i la gh e. He did i .

The e de e elled i hi , a d he a k hi
 k ee , hi e e he f f hi da gh e. C a li g all
 f a d he , he ai ed hi ha d a d ca gh he f i
 a a d ke. Pec la l he bala ce a d . a ab

he e de l. B he e de e ld h ld. The igh -
 e f he agi a. a e ha he c ld bea. Hi l
 ee ed li d. hi g a d i he, a d he
 giga ic h he ade i he he ked he l
 d he ade a h ll ck fai i he back f he
 h a. Like he a idl fai f a ci c ball .

F ll i g he di i eg a i he falli g a a f e -
 al de i e, he a c ci f he e, a ha d hi
 i , he ge cle chi g, b he he he gi a f
 a h ele b bb ggle be fee, f e e
 he e i , he c ld ell.

Re i g hi elf f he a ai f l hi he c
 i h a d a ched hi ge i al f he d ha b f he
 agi a. She a ea ed ha e fai ed. Ch ll d a d
 c ld ee l he g a i h a ie , ad a d li a d
 he a kle . Agai he ha ed i ed i h e de e . The
 ha ed. ld le hi ick he , he e de e f ced
 hi c e he .

S he he child egai ed c ci e , he a l i g
 he ki che de a hea il , i g c ec
 he ai be ee he leg i h he face f he he l
 i g e he .

he. a e aged b $\forall_1 e h \forall_1 a$ eff a ,he. a able

idi hclea lie . He a ha e igh call a e
clea ld a .

Acia a -e ed We I dia i hligh l b ed ki .

Al h gh hi gi e a a i ed he ig i hi
ki che i d , a d he b i e ca d he ci c la ed, he
a called b he e le Sa head Ch ch. N e
k e he e he, Ch ch a ca ef e ha e-
b d ' ec llec i f hi da a age eache h e
e e e d h had bee called b h had ck
c , a d e e c a l i i i g he ch che , i i g
he al a i h he h eache. B e e b d k e ha
S a head ea he igh, c l hai ha k a d
held a hee a d a e. he aded. i h a la he. A
f i i e ce .

He had bee ea ed i a fa il d fi academic
acc li h e a d i ed bl d i fac, he be-
lie ed he f a ba ed he la e. A Si Whic b,
e deca i g B i i h ble a , h ch e di i e-
g a e de a e ea ef l ha E gla d', had i -
d ced he hi e ai i he fa il i he ea l 'oo'.
Bei g a ge le a b de f he Ki g, he had d e he
ci ili ed hi g f hi la ba a d ided i i h
h ee h d ed d e li g, he g ea a i fac i f
he ba a d' he, h fel ha f e had iled
he. The ba a d a g a e f l, a d e ga ded a hi
life' g al he h a di g f hi i e ai . He be ed
hi fa a fee - ea - ld gi l f i la a e age.
She, like a g d Vic ia a d, lea ed f he
h ba d all ha a h lea i g e a a e he -
elf i

ab e fa he -i -la a d f li h he -i -la ld ha e
a ed.

The a fe ed hi A gl hilia hei i child e a d
i ee ga dchild e . E ce f a cca i al a d ac-
c able i ge h ch ea e i e black, he a ied
z , ligh e i g he fa il c le i a d hi i g he
fa il fea e .

Wi h he c de ce b fa c i c i f e i i ,
he e f ed. ell a ch l . The ee i d i , -
de l , a d e e ge ic, h i g e be d a d b De
G bi ea ' h he i ha all ci ili a i de i e f he
hi e ace, ha e ca e i i h i hel , a d ha a
cie i g ea a d b illia l fa a i e e e he
bl d f he ble g ha cea ed i . Th , he e e
eld el ked b ch l a e h ec e ded
i i g de f d ab ad . The e died ed-
ici e, la , he l g , a d e ged e ea edl i he e -

a ca e, he e e e ke . N e ha i a he fa-
 il , be e, b e da ge beca e e e fl .
 O e f he a a eligi fa a ic. h f ded hi .
 ec e ec a d fa he ed f , e f. h beca e a
 ch l a e k f he eci i f hi j ice a d he
 c li hi i le ce. Thi ch l a e a ied a ee ,
 i d le half-Chi e e gi l f . h he fa ig e f bea i ga
 a ch. She died af e childbi h. He ,
 a ed Elih e Micah Whi c b, ided he ch l a e
 i h a le i k hi he ie f ed ca-
 i , di ci li e, a d he g d life. Li le Elih e lea ed e e -
 hi g he eeded k ell, a ic la l he e a f
 elf-dece i . He ead g eedil b de d elec i el ,
 ch i g he bi a d iece f he ' idea ha -
 ed. ha e e edilec i he had a he e . Th he
 ch e e be Ha ' ab e f O helia, b
 Ch i ' l e f Ma Magdale e; Ha ' fi l li-
 ic , b Ch i ' e i a a ch . He iced Gibb '
 acidi , b hi le a ce, O hell ' l e f he fai
 De de a, b Iag ' e e ed l e f O hell . The
 k he ad ed e e Da e' ; h e he de i ed
 e e D e k ' . F all hi e e he be
 i d f he We e ld, he all ed l he a e
 i e e a i ch hi . He e ded hi fa he '
 c lled i le ce b de el i g ha d habi a d a f
 i agi a i . A ha ed f, a d fa ci a i i h, a hi f
 di de deca .

A e e ee , h e e , he e hi Bea ice, h a
 h ee ea hi e i . Al el , la ghi g big-legged gi l. h
 ked a a cle ki a Chi e e de a e . Vel a. S
 g. a he affec i a d e f life, he did eli i-
 a e he f ail, ickl Elih e f i . She f d hi fa idi -

e a d c le e lack f h chi g a d l ged
 i d ce hi he idea f deligh . He e i ed he i -
 d c i , b he ied hi a a , l di c e ha
 he a ffe i g f a d e j i g a i i cible ela -
 ch l . Whe he lea ed h i he a iage h .
 i a hi ela ch l a hi ha he a e
 i e e ed i a l e i g he j a e a c a d e i c g l ha
 he e a ed l e a k i g i h c i a d he H l
 G ail , he i l l e f . She had li ed b he ea all h e
 ea , li e ed he ha f a ' g all ha i e ,
 e d he life i he d l e ca e f Elih e' d .

He e e g e he de e i . She a ha e bee he
 a e hi a ed , ack l e d g e d e i he e
 a he life c e he e c a c h i g life? V e l a a
 e c e h i f he life he had lea ed he a ide
 f hi fa he ' bel . B he e i ed he i h ch kill ha he
 a all die e ca e he i e i a b l e b e d -
 d ced b ch a dai life .

Y g Elih e a a ed f i i b l e ha e i g b he
 ead ha d f hi fa he , h e i d e d h i f he f a i l ' e
 e a i a d V e l a ' e i a b l e e . He he e d
 hi die i h e i g ha bef e a d d e c i d e d a l a
 e e h e i . Whe he a a d i e d ha he had
 a c a i , he l e f he i l a d , c a e A e i c a d he
 he b d d i g e l d f c h i a . B he b j e c e i e d
 ch h , a c f a i , a d f f e d
 li le a f a i l i g e g . He d i f e d i c i l g , he
 h i c a l he a . Thi d i e e e d c a i c i e d f i
 ea , he h i fa he e f e d h i a l g e ,
 il he f d h i e l f . Elih e , k i g he e
 l k , a h a c k h i d e i c e , a d f d
 h i e l f i e a b l e ea e . He beg a i k i

a a idl f a i g ge ili , c a ed . i h a fe f he
 . hi e-c lla cc a i a ailable black e le, ega d-
 le f hei ble bl dli e , i A a e ica: de k cle k a a
 c l ed h el i Chicag , i a ce age , a eli g ale -
 a f a c a e ic a ca e i g black . He all e -
 led i L ai , Ohi , i r . r , al a i g hi a elf ff a a
 a i i e , a di i i ga e . i h he . a he ke E gli h .
 The . a e f he . ea l di c e ed hi celibac , a d
 bei gable c a e he d hi ejec i f he a , decided
 ha he . a e a al a he ha a al .

O ce he de d hei deci i , he ickl f ll . ed
 h gh, acce i g he a a e (S a head Ch ch) a d he
 le he had gi e hi a . He e ed a ki d f back- a
 a a a e f a a dee l eligi ld lad a a ed Be ha
 Ree e . She a clea , ie , a d e cl e al deaf e .
 The l dgi g . e e ideal i e e . a b e . Be ha Ree e
 had a ld d g, B b, . h , al h gh a deaf a d ie a
 he, . a a clea . He le a f hi da a a he
 back ch, . hich . a Elih e' e a ce . The d g . a
 ld be fa e , a d Be ha Ree e had he e gh
 e e ce f a i d ca e f hi a e l . She fed hi a ,
 a d . a e ed hi a , lef hi a al e . The d g . a a g ; hi
 e ha ed e e a . i h a ea-g ee a e a d . hich
 g a a d ie cl e ed . S a head . a e l ed b B b a d
 . i hed he . ld h a d die . He ega ded hi . i h
 f he d g' dea h a h a e , f he c ld bea , he ld
 hi a elf , ee a hi g ffe . I did cc hi a ha
 he . a eall c ce ed ab hi . ffe i g , i ce he
 d g had adj ed hi a elf f ail a d ld age . S a head
 all de e a i ed a e d he a i a l' a i e , a d
 b gh a e i . i h . hich d i . O l he h f
 ha i g g ea hi a had e e ed S a head f a c a -

le i g h i i . He . ai ed f age bli di g e l i
 h i .

Li i g h e e a g h i . h i g , i i g e a l e e
 i g f d e a l e l e e , h e c e l e d h e . h
 g h i a d i c e .

Hi b i e . a d e a d . P e l e c a n e h i i d e a d ,
 h i e e d i d e a d , e a d l e a d e d i d e a d . A d d e a d
 a . h a h e c e l e d .

S i g l h e f d h e i . a h i d , a e d e a c h i
 a h d i c h e d . i h a g e , e a i g , i d e , e g e a c e ,
 l e l i e , i e , d e f e a , a d h g e . T h e a k e d f h e
 i l e f h i g : l e , h e a l h , a d e . M a k e h i l e
 e . T e l l h a h i d e a e a . H e l g e i d f h i
 a . M a k e h e g i e b a c k c l h e . S
 l e f h a d f h a k i g . K e e b a b ' g h f f h e e .
 B e a k - a d - ' . T a l l f h e e e e h e a d d e e d
 h i e l f . H i a c i c e . a d . h a h e . a b i d g -
 g e a a h a e h a h e e e . a f a i , e a ,
 h e l e .

W i h l c c a i a l , a d i c e a i g l a e , e c e
 i h h e l i l e g i l h e c l d e a d e b e e e a i e d b
 h i e l e d a h e e a c e a b l a g h i h i g , a d i g
 e g e . H e . a a a e , f c e , h a e h i g . a
 a i h i l i f e , a d a l l i e , b h e b l e . h e e i
 b e l g e d , a h e f f h e O i g i a f L i f e . H e b e l i e d
 h a i c e d e c a , i c e , l h , a d d i d e e e e a i e , h e
 b e i h e N a e f T h i g . E i l e i e d b e c a e G d
 h a d c e a e d i . H e , G d , h a d a d e a l e a d f g i -
 a b l e e i j d g e : d e i g i g a i e , e f e c i e e .
 T h e l g i a j i e d h e e e c e f c i a a e a
 b . h i c h e , e e e e d , a d i h e d . A i -
 h f c i c e a e . B h i e a e , h e e a e

fDa e, a i he del ec i i ga d eg ega i g fall
 le el fe il a d deca .I he ldi l a . The
 e i i e-l ki gladi e a ile , a d he d ead-
 f l- ki g had e a d h l e a i g . G d had d e a
 j b, a d S a head ec ed ha he hi elf c ld
 ha ed ebe e .I . a i fac a i ha he Make had
 gh hi c el.

S a head a e ec i g ceagai he e h gh
 e la e h afe he he hea d a a hi d .
 O e i gi , he a a li le gi l , i e k hi . She
 a ab el e , he h gh , a d eed hi i i-
 f ll a ac i e . Whe he a ked he ha he a ed , he
 did a e , b held hi e fhi ca d ad e i-
 i ghi gif a d e ice : If a e e c e . i h ble
 a d c di i ha a e a al , I ca e e he ;
 O e c S ell , Bad L ck , a d E il I e ce . Re e be ,
 I a a e S i i ali a d P chic Reade , b i h e ,
 a d L ill hel . Sa i fac i i e i i . D i g a
 ea f ac ice I ha e b gh ge he a i a iage
 a d e i ed a h e e e a a ed . If a e ha ,
 di c aged , i di e , I ca hel . D e bad l ck
 e e f ll ? Ha he e l e cha ged ? I ca ell
 h . I ill ell h e e a d fie d a e ,
 a d i f he e l e i e fal e . If a e ick , I ca
 h he a heal h . Il ca el a d le a icle .
 Sa i fac i g a a eed .

S a head Ch ch ld he c e i .

Wha ca I d f , child?

She d he e , he ha d f lded ac he ach , a
 li le di g f . Ma be . Ma be ca d
 i f e .

D ha f ?

2 I ca ' g ch l e. A d I h gh a be
c ld hel e.

2 Hel h ? Tell e. D ' be figh e ed.

2 M e e .

2 Wha ab e e ?

2 L a he b l e.

S a head ed hi li , a d le hi g e ke a g ld
i la . He h gh i a a ce he fa a ic a d he
l gical e i i he had e e eeci ed. He e. a a gl
li le gi la ki gf bea . A ge fl e a d de a d-
i g e h gh h b a ickl e laced b a ge .
A ge ha he a e le hel he . Of all he i he
e le had b gh h e , l e, e e ge hi
eeded h he ig a a d he e de -
i g f f l l e . A li le black gi l h a ed i e
f he i f he black e a d ee he ld i h b l e
e e . Hi age ge a d fel like e . F he i e
he h e l i hed he c ld k i acle . Ne e bef e
had he eall a ed he e a d h l e l he
e ake he belie e he had i . I eed ad,
f i l , ha e e ali , j dg e , ke h f
i . O did i ?

Wi h a bli g ha d he ade he ig f he c e
he . Hi e h c a led; i ha h , di li le f .
hi g , he a chilled.

2 I ca d hi gf , child. I a a agicia .
L k l h gh he L d. He i e e hel
e le. All I ca d i ffe elf Hi a he i e
h gh. hich he k . If He. a i h g a ed, He
ill d i .

S a head alked he i d , hi back he gi l. Hi
i d aced, bled, a d acedagai . H f a e he

e e e ce? He ha g he feeli g f e. Hi e fell ld B b lee i g he ch.

2 We ake, ah, e ffe i g, ha i, e c ac i h a e. Pe ha e i le c ea e igh be he ehicle h gh. hich He. ill eak. Le ee.

He k el d a he. i d , a d ed hi li . Af e ha ee ed a i able le gh f i e, he e a d e he iceb ha d ea he he i d . F i he ee ed a all acke a ed i i ki h b che a e. F a helf he k a all b b le a d i kled e fi c e he b a ce i ide he a e. He he acke , a l e ed, he able.

2 Take hi f d a d gi e i he c ea e lee i g he ch. Make e he ea i. A d a k. ell h he beha e . If hi g ha e , ill k ha G d ha ef ed . If he a ial beha e a gel , i h ill be g a ed he da f ll i g hi e.

The gi l icked he acke ; he d f he da k, ick ea ade he a i . She a ha d he ach.

2 C age. C age, child. The e hi g a e g a ed fai hea .

She dded a d all ed i bl , h ldi g d he i . S a head e ed he d , a d he e ed e he h e h ld.

2 G d-b e, G d ble , he aid a d ickl h he d . A he. i d he d a chi g he , hi e eb

lled ge he i a e f c a i , hi g e f dli g he. g ld i hi e ja . He a he gi l be d i g d he lee i g d g, h , a he ch, e ed e li ide e, a ed i he c e i h. ha l ked like g ee gl e. She eached a d ched he d g' head, ki g

S h A la ic be . ee N h a d S h A a e ica, e -
 cl i g he Ca ibbea Sea a d he G lf f Me ic :
 di ided i he G ea e A ille , he Le e A ille ,
 a d he Baha a I la d . N he Wi d a d Lee-
 a d I la d c l i e , a k , b i hi , f c e ,
 he G ea e f he . A ille (hile he eci i f
 e a be, a i e , lab i , i i ece a
 ha I ide if elf clea l).

N .

We i hi c l k a he d a-
 a ic, a d he b i , f hi e a e '
 cha ac e i ic , hich e e, f c e , hei . I
 e ai i g he ide i f ace, e held fa h e
 cha ac e i ic a if i g ai a dlea -
 ble e ai ai . C e e l e e e al
 b bbi h, a i c a ic b cla -c ci ; e
 belie d a h i a c el i fe i , a d
 ed ca i a bei ga ch l. We i k i le ce
 f a i , i d le ce f lei e, a d h gh eckle -
 e a feed . We ai ed child e a d ea ed
 c ; e le i fa g , a d e de el .
 O a h d. a de ed b ac i i i . O a
 a h d b ac ie ce ce. A d he ell f f i
 a d he lab f da eabh ed.

Thi i g, bef e he li le black gi l cae, I
 c ied f Vela. Oh, al d. The ei i d
 ca , bea, e e ef e bea, a d hea
 i h eg e. B i ile l e. a, I c ied f
 Vela. Y eed k ab Vela de a d
 ha I did da .

She (Vela) lef he a e le lea e a h el
 Ah el a lace be. he a e d i g

he hi gel e. Ofi elfi i f c e e ce e'
aj chee. Ah el i c e ie .B i c -
e ie cei liied he iie eedi. hile a e
i ha a ic la ha a ic la b i e ;
h e i i c f able, b efe, a he, ha i be
a .I i ,af e all, he e

Whe l ge eedi, a ali le e-
hi gf i e; a ,Tha k , i, a d. he
b i e i ha i e, g a a f ha
e. De a b d ege lea i gah el ? De
a b d , h ha a h e, a eal h e e he e,
a a he e? De a b d l k back. i h af-

he c e a la i f Y B d a d fall dee l i
 he c e a la i f hei ? The b d . The b d
 e f he e a li g . The e e e a , k ,
 e a a d e de . Mea li le b d e i i g he ch,
 i gi g like bbe . B agge i e . Da i g e
 ch . C a di g e ch . N a bi h , a
 'd e . The ck a e , h e , a e .
 Sle de -che ed , ge -che ed la ie . Ha e e e
 ee he , L d ? I e a , eall ee he ? O e c ld
 ee he a d l e he . Y h ade he
 ha e c ide ed he l e e a a idea
 h ch e l el i he a ife a i f ha
 idea . I c ld ' , a e call , kee ha d ,
 h , ff he . Sal - e e . Like ie ie a -
 be ie c e ed i h he ligh al e a f i g
 da a dh i g , ki i g , j i gh .

The l e f he he ch , a e , a d feel f
 he a j a ea l i h a ice ;
 he e e , f e , A Thi g T D I ead . I ead f
 Pa a , i ead f he Cl h , i ead f Vel a , a d I
 d i h he . B I did ' g i he
 ch ch . A lea I did ' d ha . A ha I did d ?
 I ld e le I k e all ab Y . Tha I had e-
 cei ed Y P e . I a a c le e b i
 a a lie . I h ld e e ha e , I ad i , I
 h ld e e ha e ake hei e i e cha ge f
 ell- ha ed , ell- laced , ell-faced lie . B , a k
 , I ha ed i . N f a e did I l e he lie
 he e .

B c ide : The h lef he h el e .

C ide : The g ee e , he e f he
 a chi elag .

Cide: Thei h ef lee ha . ee d e l
b hei h i g b ea .

Cide: H . I eeded a c f able e il e-
e k i g . ha I c ld bea k .

Cide: H . I ha ed a d de i ed he e .

A d , cide: N acc di g j de-
e , b acc di g c , he li le black gi l
ha ca-e-l i g a e da . Tell e, L d, h .
c ld lea e ala l g l e ha he c ld d
he . a e? H . c ld ? I ee f , L d.
A di i beca e I ee f Y ha I had d
k f Y .

D k ha he caef ? Bl e e e . Ne ,
bl e e e , he aid . Like he a b i g h e . I'd like
a ai f e bl e e e . She ha e a ked f
he f a e l g i e , a d had ' e lied . (A
habi , I c ld ha e ld he , a l g-ag habi b ke
f J b b e .) She cae f he . She
had e f ca d . (Ca d e cl ed .) B he a , I
added he Micah Elih e Micah Whi c b . B I a
called S a head Ch ch . I ca e e be h .
h I g he a e . Wha ake e a e a
e ha a he ? I he he eal hi g , he ?
A d he e l ha hi a a ? I ha h
he i le a d f i e d l i e f e i : Wha i
a e ? b M e , Y ld a ,
a d aid i ead , I a h I a . Like P e e ? I Y a
Wha I Y a ? Af aid e e , e e ' , gi e
a e ? Af aid he ld k he a e a d
he k ? The he ld ' fea ? I ' i e
all igh . D ' be e ed . I ea ffe e . I de -
a d . I ha e bee a bad a , a da ha a

. B...eda... ill die. L...a al...a... ki d. Wh
d I ha e... die? The li le gi l . The li le gi l a e he
l hi g I'll...i . D... k... ha... he I ched
hei... d li le i a d bi he... j... a li le I fel
L...a bei g f ie dl ? I did '... a... ki hei... h
lee i he bed. i h he...ake a child b ide f
... . Pla f l, I fel , a d f ie dl . N... like he e -
a e...aid. N... like he e...le. hi e ed. A d he
did '...i d a all. N...a all. Re...e...be h... a
f he...ca...e back? N...e...ld e e...de -
a d ha . If I'd bee h i g he...ld he ha e
c...e back? T...f he...D ee a d S ga Babe,
he 'd c...e ge he . I ga e he...i ,...e , a d
he 'd ea ice c ea...i h hei leg...e...hile I la ed
i h he...I...a like a a... . A d he e...a ' a i -
e , a d he e...a ' a...l h, a d he e...a ' a
d , a d he e...a ' a...g a i g j...he ligh
...hi e la ghe f li le gi l a d...e. A d he e...a '
a l k a l g f...l k a l g f
Vel...a l k a f e...a d. N...l k ha...ake...feel
di...a f e...a d. Tha...ake...a...die. Wi h
li le gi l i i all clea a d g...d a d f ie dl .

Y...ha e...de a d ha , L...d. Y...aid, S f -
fe li le child e...c...e...e, a d ha...he...
... . Did...f ge? Did...f ge ab...he chil -
d e ? Ye . Y...f g . Y...le he...g...a i g, i
ad h lde , c i g e...hei dead...he . I' e
ee he...cha ed, la...e, hal . Y...f g , L...d. Y
f g h...a d. he...be G d.

Tha'...h I cha ged he li le black gi l' e e f
he , a d I did '...ch he ;...a...ge did I la...he .
B...I ga e he...h...e bl e e e...he...a ed. N...f

lea e, a d f e. I did. ha Y did ,
 c ld , ld d : I l ked a ha gl li le
 black gi l, a d I l ed he. I la ed Y . A di . a a
 e g d h !

I, I ha e ca ed a i acle. I ga e he he e e . I ga e
 he he bl e, bl e, . bl e e e . C bal bl e. A eak
 fi igh f . bl e hea e . N e e l e
 ill ee he bl e e e . B . ill. A d he. ill li e
 ha il e e afe . I, I ha ef di e a d igh
 d .

N . a e jeal . Y a e jeal f e.

Y ee? I, , ha e c ea ed. N ab ighi all , like
 , b c ea i i a head . i e, ef he a e
 ha he b e e .

Ha i g he ef e i bibe d, a i . e e, f he ec a,
 I a af aid f Y , f Dea h, e e f Life, a d
 i' all igh ab Vel; a; a di' all igh ab Pa a;
 a di' all igh ab he Gea e a d he Le e A -
 ille . Q i e all igh . Q i e.

Wi h ki de ega d , I e ai ,

Y ,

Elih e Micah Whi c b

S a head Ch ch f lded he hee f a e i hee
 e al a a d li ed he i a e el e. Al h gh he
 had eal, he l ged f eali g. a . He e ed a ciga
 b f de he bed a d aged ab i i . The e
 e e f hi eci hi g : a li e f jade ha
 had di l dged f a c ff li k a he Chicag h el; a g ld
 e da ha ed like a Y. i h a iece fc ala ached i
 ha had bel ged he he he e e k e ; f la ge
 hai i ha Vel; a had lef he i f he ba h

i k; a de ble g g ai ibb f he head f a
 li le gi l aed P eci Je el; a blacke ed fa ce head
 f he i ki a jail cell i Ci ci a i; a ble he had
 f d de a be ch i M i g ide Pa k a e e
 i g da ; a ld L ck Ha ca al g ha elled ill f
 -b a d cha face de, a d le a i hi g
 ce a. Di ac ed b hi hi g, he f g ha he had bee
 l ki g f . The eff ecall a g ea ; he e a a
 b i gi hi head, a d a h f fa ig e e ca e hi. He
 cl ed hi b , ea ed hi elf he bed, a d li ed
 i a i lee f hich he c ld hea he i
 el f a ld lad h had c e f he ca d e
 a d f d he ill ca ca f a ld d g aed B b.



I ha e l b e a k i h e i g h e f a a b e ,
a d I e e i d a d l e i g k i e . I e a i
f e a e a f . T h e a c h e d a a d i c k
i g h a e d i i g i h e d i d , b h e ,
h e i l e d d e , b h f i g h e e d a d e c h e d
e . B e e i c e a i ; I e c a l l a e
i h e h e e . e l i e d a d i a g i e a e
h e k e i 1, 2, . T h e e . a a a d h a e a , h e
a i d , h a b l e a a h a l f f h L a i . I i h e

he. S ch f . P blic fac bec i a e
eali , a d he ea f a Mid e e . bec
he f all li e .

The . a al ead hick. he F ieda a d I
eeci ed eed . We had. ai ed i ce A il f he
agic ackage c ai i g he acke a d acke f
eed . e. e e ell f ece each, . hich. ld
e i le a e bic cle. We belie di , a d e a
aj a fee da i g ab he . elli g
he. Al h gh Ma a had e ic ed he h e f
e le he k e he eighb h d familia , e
k cked all d , a d a ed i a d fee
h e ha e ed : el e- h e ha
hel e ed half a familia , elli g f g ea e a d
i e; i de f - h e cked i b he
ea he ail ad ack ; he - e lace a a e
e h a ke , b che h , f i e e ,
al , e a a ; id bick h e . i h e ed
ca e a d gla b . l . i h e d edge .

D i g ha f he eed elli g. e h gh ab
he e , h gh ab he eed , a d li e ed. i h l
half a ea ha e le. e e a i g. I he h e f
e le. h k e . e e a ked c e i a d i ,
g i e c ld. a e le. ade; a d. hile. e a he e bei g
ef e hed, he e lec i ed hei c e ai . e
ab hei ch e . Li le b li le. e bega iece a
ge he , a e e , e ible, a f l . A di . a l
a fe . h ee ch ag el e hea d c e ai
ha . e eali ed ha he . a ab Pec la. P e l
laced, he f ag e f alk a like hi :

Did hea ab ha gi l?

Wha ? P eg a ?

z Ya . B g e . h ?

z Wh ? I d ' k . all he e li le ld b .

z Tha ' j i . Ai ' li le ld b . The a i '

Ch ll .

z Ch ll ? He dadd ?

z Uh-h h.

z L d . Ha e e c . Tha di igge .

z 'Me be ha i e he ied b he e ? I k e
he . a c a f e he .

z Wha ' he g e d ? The a a a ?

z Kee like he bee , I eck . He ake ff.

z C ai ' g e le he kee ha bab , i he ?

z D ' k .

z N e f he B eedl e e e igh a h . . Tha
b i ff e he e e i e , a d he gi l . a
al a f li h.

z D ' b d k . hi g ab he a a .
Wh e he c e f hi g . D ' e e ha e
e le.

z Wha eck ake hi d a hi g like ha ?

z Bea e . J a .

z Well , he gh ake he f ch l .

z O gh . She ca e f he bla e .

z Oh , c e . She ai ' b el e .

z Yeah . B e e k . H c e he did '
gh hi ?

z Ma be he did .

z Yeah ? Y e e k .

z Well , i babl ' li e . The a he . a he
a a bea he he l ck be ali e he elf .

z She be l ck if i d ' li e . B d be he glie
hi g . alki g .

T. 11

Ca' hel b be. O gh be a la : gl
e le d bli g like ha ake e gl . Be be e
ff i he g d.

Well, I ld ' e. I be a a cle if i
li e.

O a i h e a h -li ed, f i ga e. a a
c i ki d f defe i e ha e; e. e e e ba a ed
f Pec la, h f he, a d all e j fel f
he . O d e all h gh f he e
bic cle. A d I belie e a he e i e e
beca e b d e e ed ha e i. The e e
di g ed, a ed, h cked, aged, e e e ci ed b
he . B e li e ed f he e. h ld a ,

P li legi l , P bab , b he e. a l
head-aggi g. he e h e. d h ld ha e bee . We
l ked f e e c ea ed. i h c ce , b a l eil .

I h gh ab he bab ha e e b d . a ed dead,
a d a i e clea l. I a i a da k, e lace, i
head c e ed. i h g ea O' f l, he black face
h ldi g, like ickel , clea black e e , he a ed

e, ki i g- hick li , a d he li i g, b ea hi g ilk f
black ki . N he ic ell . ba g e ded e
a ble-bl e e e , i ched e a d b . li e h.
M e gl ha f d e f Pec la, I fel a eed
f e e a he black bab li e j
c e ac he i e all e f. hi e bab d ll , Shi le
Te le , a d Ma ee Peal . A d F ieda ha e fel
he a hi g. We did hi k f he fac ha Pec la
a a ied; l f gi l had babie . h e e
a ied. A d e did d ell he fac ha he
bab ' fa he a Pec la' fa he ; he ce f
ha i g a bab b a ale. a i c ehe ible

... a lea he k e he fa he . We h gh l f hi
e . hel_y i g ha ed f he b bab . We

T- ...

~ O.K. B... e be e gi e ... e hi g He'll k ...
~ e eall ... ea i hi i...e.

~ Gi e ... ha? We ai 'g ... hi g. N hi g b ... he
eed ... e, ... d lla .

~ We c ld gi e ha . O , ... k ... ha? We c ld
gi e ... he bic cle. B ... he ... e a d ... la ... he
eed .

~ All f he ... e ?

~ Cla dia, d ... a ... d i ... ?

~ O.K. I j ... h gh ... O.K.

~ We ha e d i We'll b ... he ... e
e b he h ... e ca 'g back a d dig i ... , a d
~ e'll la ... he eed ... back f ... h ... e ... e ca
~ a ch e he ... A d ... he ... c ... e , ... e'll k ...
e e hi gi all igh . All igh ?

~ All igh . O l le ... i g hi i...e. Y ... a he
...agic ... d .

T T T

I did 'l ki al g i e.

S ha? I ca l k if L a .

T
I k i . I j like l k.

Of c e . H ca he g a a ?

T
The did ' g a a . The cha ged.

A l . M . S a head aid he l d la f e e .

Ye , if a k .

P a bei g a . Y a edi .

T

Y'ej jeal .

Y a e. Y i h had he .

N hi g ch.

N .D 'g .Wha a d ?

B i' h .

B !I e e .ld ha e h gh 'd be jeal .

Y a e.

Jeal .

See. I ld .

A e he eall ice?

J e ice ?

Reall , l , bl el ice?

I a !

Well, ha did ea ?

T- ...

Y a e he l e h ell e h e he a e.

Y a e a eal fie d. P ab icki g
bef e. I e a , a i g e e jeal a d all.

T- ...
N . Reall . Y a e e be fie d. Wh did ' I
k bef e?

Did ' eed ?

I g e ' e igh . A d L a l el f fie d . A d
e e igh he e. Righ bef e e e .

Wha ?

She d e ' a a hi g ab he . Ha he aid a -
hi g ab he ?

D like Ma ee ?

I k ha e a . B ld like be he
fie d? I e a , ld like g a d i h he a -
hi g?

Me ei he . B he ei la .

N e .

B c ld ' be la a a . Y d ' e e g
ch l .

I know. But I read.

The made.

I don't know. After he had a chance I had
blended. Well, he had the had Michele blended.
No. I don't know. But I don't care.

No, I don't. The evening decided, he's all.

Just became I got blended, blended he's evening
decided.

The blended, are they?

Blended he's a?

And blended he's Michele a?

I thought. Did Michele a a a his ab
e e?

Did a a his he?

He's e?

He's e d'alk a b d?

Beide.

When d'lie?

T

What is he's age?

I just did. You'd talk about it. You'd go
check it. A double talk.

The day. When he's here. He's in the M.
Beedle's a high. Ee. See. I
do if he's here.

I don't know. She also talk with me.

Oh, yes. You be high.

I don't know. He's old. All he did. a good k
and be a he.

Yes. No. He's a he?

HIM?

That's high.

I am here all the time. She didn't like it.

Because he's a he.

Yes.

The joke, ha' all.

I . .

He could .

Sh !

Sh !

He joined, ee? He did 'd a hi g. Y hea e?

Y 'd be e. I d ' like ha ki d f alk.

Y al a alk di . Wh ld ab ha ,
a a ?

Sa e ?

I did .

See he e! Y d ' e e k ha ' e alki g
ab . I a he I a a hi g di he .

B elf. I he ki che .

Ye .

Did I. ha ?

N h ' c a ?

Y e a e.

T.

Well. G ahead. S ill. ha ?

H ible.

Ye . H ible.

T.
I did ell he !

L a ' lee i g! I. a eadi g!

Y d ' de a d a hi g, d ? She did ' e e
belie e he I ld he .

She. ld ' ha e belie ed he ei he .

Tha ' ha P i g ge h gh hick head.

Wha d ea , j ab ?

Y kee a i g ea a d eak hi g . I h gh
e e f ie d.

The lea e al e ab Ch ll .

The e' hi g e a ab hi , a . a . He'
g e, a . a .

Ye . G d idda ce.

A d Sa... 'g e .

N . N e a all.

Ye .

N .

T .

Ye .

T .

Ye .

T .

Lea e... al e! Y be e lea e... al e.

I d ' like alk ab di hi g .

Wha ? Wha . ill. e alk ab ?

Oh, e . M e e . M bl e e e . Le ... l kagai .

Ye . The ge e ie each i... Il ka he... .

T .

Reall ?

P e ie ha he k ?

P e ie ha Alice-a d-Je S b ke e ?

A d e ie ha J a a' ?

He h ld ha e ade hee bl e .

M . S a head.

N . If g .

L k . L k e he e . A ha gi l . L ka he e e . A e
he bl e ha i e ?

Because I have a headache? Because I don't have
the headache?

Don't go. Don't leave. Will you come back if I go

he . O . . . e . . . e . . . ge . I . . . a . . . c . . . i . . . ced . ha . F . i . e . d . a .
a . i . gh , ha . I . ha . d . la . ed . he dee . l . H . . . c . . . ld . I .
ha . e . bee . . . l . e ? S . . . e . a . . . ided . Pec . la . B . eedl . e . f . -
e . e .

A . d . he . ea . f . l . ded like . . . cke . ha . d . ke . chief .
S . a lef . . . l . g . ag ; Ch . ll . died . i . he . . . kh . e ;
M . . B . eedl . e . ill . d . e . h . e . k . A . d . Pec . la . i . . . e .
he . e . i . ha . li . le . b . . . h . e . he . a . d . he . . . he . . . ed .
he . e . ge . f . . . , . . . he . e . . . ca . ee . he . e . e . . . ,
ce . i . a . . . hile . The . bi . d . like . ge . . . e . a . e . . . a . a . . . a .
. . . e . . . icki . ga . d . l . cki . g . he . . . a . be . . . ee . he . i . e . i . . .
a . d . he e , be . . . ee . C . ke . b . le . a . d ilk . eed ,
a g . all . he . . . a . e . a . d . bea . . . f . he . . . ld . . . hich . i .
. . . ha . he . he . elf . a . . . All . f . . . a . e . . . hich . ed . . . ed .
he . a . d . . . hich . he . ab . bed . A . d . all . f . . . bea . . . , . . . hich .
. . . a . he a . d . . . hich . he . ga . e All . f . . . all . h .
k . e . he . . . fel . . . h . le af . e . . . e . clea . ed . . . el . e .
he . We . . . e . . . bea . if . l . he . . . e . . . d . a . ide . he . gli .
e . . . He . . . i . . . lici . dec . a . ed . . . , he . g . il . a . ci . ed . . . , he .
ai ade . . . gl . . . i . h . heal . h , he . a . k . a . d . e ade .

T. . .

lie a d called i h, eei gi he e a e fa ld
idea he Re ela i a d he W d.

She, h e e, e ed e i ad e , a ad e
hich ec ed he f i l beca ei b ed i
he e d.

Oh, e f l ed he . The Magi Li e. A d
Ch ll l ed he . P e he did. He, a a a e, a he
e. h l ed he e gh ch he, e el he, gi e
e hi g f hi elf he . B hi ch. a fa al, a d he
e hi g he ga e he lled he a i f he ag i h
dea h. L ei e e a be e ha hel e. Wicked e -
lel e. ickedl, i le e lel e i le l, eak e le
l e. eakl, id e lel e idl, b hel e fa
f ee a i e e afe. The ei gif f he bel ed. The
l e al e e e hi gif fl e. The l ed ei h ,
e ali ed, f e i he gla e f hel e' i a d e e.

A d e he I ee he ea chi g he ga bage f ha ?
The hi g. e a a i a ed? I alk ab h. I did. la
he eed dee l, h i a he fa l f he ea h, he
la d, f . Ie e hi k ha he la d f he e i e
c a h ile a ig ld ha ea. Thi ili bad f
ce ai ki d f e . Ce ai eed i ill e, ce -
ai f i i ill bea, a d. he he la d kill fi
li i, eac ie ce a d a he ic i had igh li e.
We a e. g, f c e, b i d e ' a e. I' la e. A
lea he edge f , a g he ga bage a d he
e f , i' ch, ch, ch la e.