

Family Council

Secret to Perfection of The But's Family – Storybook – Content

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Story

- Narration : This is yet another day that everyone in the But's family gets all tensed up for the stressful "family activity"
- Daddy : Heidi, it's revision time!
- Narration : But why would Heidi doing her revision make everyone stressful? This is because Daddy however stressed out after knocking off from work has to rack his brains to help Heidi with her study upon returning home This puts Heidi under pressure and so does it for the rest of the family witnessing it Mumi expects Daddy to help the children with their homework Heidi's elder brother Nicky has a lot on his own plate so he could not offer much help Even less capable are the clueless Grandpa and Grandma to help Therefore, Heidi starts studying only when Daddy has got home from work Indeed, every student wants to get good grades If not for such moody times when tests are coming into sight the Buts would have been a nearly perfect happy family After a night of unforgiving drilling in the Chinese subject with Daddy Heidi, facing the test, feels as if she were going to war
- Teacher : The test begins
- Heidi : Multiple choice questions
They seem pretty easy
- Teacher : Time's up
- Narration : The following day the teacher hands back the marked test papers to the class except for the last two with no names on them All but Heidi and Ka Ka have received their test paper
- Teacher : How come you both forgot to write your name?
I assume you can identify your answers though

Narration : Heidi casts her eyes over the perfect-scoring test paper
She believes that this is definitely the fruit of her hard work
and grabs the test paper with full marks at once
As for Ka Ka, she is shy about arguing with Heidi
before the teacher
because Heidi is her best friend
Back home
Heidi takes out the test paper with perfect marks
as soon as Daddy sets his foot home
She has not taken a close look at the test paper until now

Heidi : No, this isn't my answer
Neither is this
Nor is that
Oh no....
What should I do?

Narration : It turns out that none of the answers are hers
Daddy already has the test paper in his hand
to show to everyone in excitement

Mumi : Heidi, your hard work finally paid off!

Daddy : Unforgiving drilling really works!

Grandpa : No pain, no gain

Grandma : Hard work indeed, my darling!

Narration : Later in the evening
Daddy helps Heidi do her revision again

Grandma : How about taking a break...er...tonight....

Daddy : We did great last time
We make the best team!
What gives?

Heidi : I've never got full marks before, not even this time

Birdie Peter : Hahaha!
There's no chance she could have scored full marks!

Narration : Everyone in the family look on in silence
so that Daddy can have a nice chat with Heidi
Bit by bit, Heidi comes clean with Daddy
about taking home the wrong test paper

Heidi : Everyone must feel very disappointed
to find out that I didn't get full marks

Nicky : It doesn't pay for you to shout so loudly
to give away what's in her heart, Birdie Peter!

Heidi : Ka Ka is my bestie
She definitely thought that
I took her test paper on purpose

but I didn't...

I was just being careless!

Daddy : Heidi, do you know what my responsibilities are?

Heidi : Go to work and earn a living

Daddy : Actually, I have a whole lot of responsibilities
But simply put, I've been trying my best
to do one of them really well...

Birdie Peter : That's loving my family

Daddy : So, do you know what your responsibilities are?

Heidi : Be a hardworking and responsible child?

Daddy : Think more carefully
All of us have lots of responsibilities to carry

Birdie Peter : Caring for the elderly
loving the family
taking care of the pet
helping Mumi with housework...

Daddy : But it's not easy to do them well all at once
Well, as long as we take things
one step at a time
we will do better over time

Narration : Meanwhile, everyone in the family recalls
how wonderful Heidi has been
It turns out that
all of them share the same thought about loving the family

Daddy : Surely Daddy and everyone else are happy
for you in getting good grades
but honesty is more important than grades
We the Buts are proud of
having a cheerful, upright, honest and loving you
These are your unique qualities and strengths

Mumi : Who's this upright and honest child?
Our Heidi for sure!

Birdie Peter : I am confident that Heidi can make it eventually
one step at a time

Nicky : I've finished my homework
Daddy, please help me check it
Heidi, you may ask me if you have questions

Birdie Peter : That's great!
Nicky offers his help!

Daddy : Do you know how to handle this perfect-scoring test paper?

Birdie Peter : Ka Ka must be going through a hard time for the failed test paper

Narration : The next morning, Heidi returns to the classroom

What will she do?