A purree gead to children,
This a lyign, messged the,
hiiddse à in holend miège,
buid ah loyal friend, tge,
bendest, sunctremsse-owd
briring with joy.
Chapter 1: The Birthday Surprise

Once upon a time, in a small town called Sunnyville, lived a little girl named Lily. Today was a special day because it was Lily's 8th birthday! She had been eagerly waiting for this day, wondering what surprises it held for her.

Lily woke up to the sound of birds chirping outside her window. She jumped out of bed, feeling a rush of excitement fill her little heart. As she ran downstairs, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, greeted her with big smiles.

« Happy birthday, sweetheart! » her mom exclaimed, giving her a warm hug.

Lily beamed with joy, feeling like the luckiest girl in the world. « Thank you, Mom and Dad! » she replied, her eyes sparkling.

After a delicious breakfast of pancakes and syrup, Lily's parents handed her a beautifully wrapped present. She carefully untied the ribbon and tore open the shiny paper to reveal a brand new bicycle. Lily's eyes widened in amazement. « Oh, wow! Thank you, Mom and Dad! » she exclaimed, hugging them tightly.

« You're welcome, sweetheart. We thought you'd enjoy riding your bike to the park with your friends, » her dad explained.

Lily couldn't wait to show off her new bicycle to her friends. She quickly finished her breakfast, put on her favorite pink dress, and pedaled down the street towards the park.

Chapter 2: The Mysterious Invitation

As Lily rode her bicycle, she noticed something strange tucked in the basket. It was an envelope with her name written on it in beautiful, curly handwriting. Curiosity piqued, she opened it carefully and read the note inside.

« Dear Lily,

Happy Birthday! I have a special surprise for you. Meet me at the old oak tree in the park at four o’clock.

From,

A Secret Friend »

Lily's heart raced with excitement. She wondered who this secret friend could be and what surprise they had in store for her. With a sense of adventure, she continued pedaling towards the park, eager to solve the mystery.

Chapter 3: The Secret Friend Revealed

When Lily arrived at the park, she spotted the old oak tree in the distance. As she approached, she
saw a familiar face peeking out from behind the trunk. It was her best friend, Emily!

« Emily! Is it you who sent me the mysterious invitation? » Lily asked, her eyes wide with anticipation.

Emily giggled. « Yes, Lily! Happy birthday! I wanted to surprise you with something special, » she said, her voice filled with excitement.

Lily couldn't contain her joy. She hugged Emily tightly and thanked her for the surprise. The two friends spent the afternoon playing games, laughing, and enjoying each other's company.

Chapter 4: The Magical Treasure Hunt

As the sun began to set, Emily whispered in Lily's ear, « Now it's time for the real surprise, Lily. Follow me! »

Curiosity filled Lily's heart as she followed Emily through the park. They walked towards a hidden spot near the pond, where a trail of colorful stones lay on the ground.

« Welcome to the magical treasure hunt, Lily! » Emily exclaimed, her eyes shining with mischief.

Lily's eyes widened with excitement. She carefully followed the trail of stones, jumping over fallen tree branches and tiptoeing through tall grass. With each step, the anticipation grew.

Finally, the trail led them to a small wooden chest tucked behind a tree. Lily's hands trembled as she opened it, revealing a sparkling crown adorned with colorful gems.

« It's a princess crown, Lily! You're the birthday princess, » Emily said, beaming with pride.

Lily couldn't believe her eyes. She put on the crown and twirled around, feeling like the most special girl in the world. « Thank you, Emily. This is the best birthday surprise ever! » she said, her voice filled with gratitude.

Chapter 5: A Birthday to Remember

As Lily and Emily made their way back to the old oak tree, they saw a crowd of people gathered around. To their surprise, they saw Lily's parents, along with all her friends and neighbors, holding balloons and singing « Happy Birthday. »

Lily's heart swelled with happiness as she realized her parents had planned a surprise party for her. She ran towards them, feeling loved and appreciated.

The rest of the evening was filled with laughter, games, and delicious food. Lily blew out the candles on her birthday cake, surrounded by the people she cherished most.

As the night came to a close, Lily reflected on her 8th birthday. It was a day full of surprises, adventure, and most importantly, love. She drifted off to sleep, dreaming of all the wonderful memories she had made.
And so, dear reader, Lily's 8th birthday became a tale of friendship, mystery, and joy. It was a day she would remember forever, a day that reminded her just how special she truly was.
The quiz: did you understand the story well?

1) What was special about Lily’s birthday?
   • It was her 7th birthday
   • It was her 8th birthday
   • It was her 9th birthday
   • It was her 10th birthday

2) What did Lily receive as a birthday present?
   • A new bicycle
   • A new doll
   • A new book
   • A new video game

3) Who sent Lily the mysterious invitation?
   • Her parents
   • Her brother
   • Her best friend Emily
   • A secret admirer

4) What did Lily find at the end of the treasure hunt?
   • A magical wand
   • A sparkling crown
   • A hidden treasure chest
   • A beautiful necklace

5) Who planned a surprise party for Lily?
   • Her parents
   • Her teachers
   • Her neighbors
   • All of the above

Correct answers:
1) It was her 8th birthday 2) A new bicycle 3) Her best friend Emily 4) A sparkling crown 5) All of the above
Glossary: complicated words in the story

Eagerly: With a lot of excitement and anticipation
Sparkling: Shining and twinkling
Curiosity: A strong desire to know or learn something
Piqued: Aroused or stimulated
Adventure: An exciting or unusual experience
Anticipation: The act of looking forward to something with excitement
Mysterious: Difficult to understand or explain
Treasure hunt: A game where you look for hidden objects or clues
Adorned: Decorated or embellished
Swelled: Became larger or bigger
Cherished: Loved and valued deeply
Reflected: Thought deeply about something