

Stories 6

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Characters

Diggory Emily Iyam Greedy PICTURE STORY:

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Emily That was a great joke, Dad. Did you see his face?

Diggory The Mayas designed this to sound like a Quetzal bird when someone clapped.

Emily You look like you've seen an Aztec brave.

Diggory The braves painted their faces and wore birds' feathers and animal fur. Everyone who saw them felt ... afraid.

Diggory Quetzalcoatl was also the god of learning. You might learn something from this adventure.

Iyam Greedy And you might be sorry for your joke.

Emily This is a giant calendar. There are stairs on each face: north, south, east and west, each with 91 steps.

Diggory And the top step makes 365. One for each day of the year, but I think we've missed something.

Diggory That round building's where the Mayas watched the sky. We may see something from there.

Emily Hmm. The sun'll be at its highest point soon.

Diggory We have to move fast. We haven't got much time.

Iyam Greedy If you're wrong, I'm going to be very unhappy, Bones.

Diggory When these bowls are full of water, they work like mirrors. The Mayas used them to watch the sky better.

Iyam Greedy What?

Emily Quickly! We've got some bottles of water here. We need to put some into the bowls.

Diggory It's almost 11.28, when the Sun's at its highest. Let's see what happens now.

Iyam Greedy Richard's following us, remember? No tricks!

Iyam Greedy Come on! There it is! That picture will open the secret door to the gold.

Emily It might not take us to gold, Mr Greedy.