**A Long Way from Chicago: The Mouse in the Milk**

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**runt consolation versus sneer rein**

**shriek strop hymn jaunt sanitary**

**torpedo**

**Matching**

**Match each definition with a word.**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_1. a line or strap fastened to a bit on each side for controlling an animal

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_2. to cry out in a high-pitched voice

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_3. the act or an instance of consoling, the state of being consoled

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_4. to smile or laugh with expressions of scorn

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_5. a religious song

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_6. an unusually small person or animal

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_7. a small firework that explodes when thrown against a hard object

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_8. free from filth, infection, or dangers to health

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_9. a short trip for pleasure

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_10. a usually leather band for sharpening a razor

Complete Sentences:

**Review**

1. Who was in Grandma's kitchen watching her clean the shotgun?

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2. How did Joe find the Cowgills?

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3. Why was Mary Alice not yet over last year's summer visit?

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4. Why did Grandma turn out all the lights in the house?

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5. Where did she make Joe run to?

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6. What did Grandma do once the Cowgill brothers were in her kitchen?

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7. How did Grandma get Mr. Cowgill to strop his boys?

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8. Why did Effie Wilcox come to use Grandma's privy?

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9. What was the explosion that was heard in the night?

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10. What lies did Grandma tell Ernie?

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**Answer Key**

1. rein

2. shriek

3. consolation

4. sneer

5. hymn

6. runt

7. torpedo

8. sanitary

9. jaunt

10. strop

**Answer Key**

1. Ernie Cowgill, who delivers the milk from his father's dairy farm, was in the kitchen.

2. They were sitting with Effie Wilcox.

3. She had nightmares from seeing the stiff and hearing Grandma's shotgun.

4. She wanted to make it look like they weren't home. She wanted to catch the Cowgill brothers breaking into the house.

5. She made him run to the holy roller's church to get the Cowgill's parents.

6. She threw a cherry bomb at them.

7. She blackmailed him with the mouse in the milk bottle.

8. Effie's privy was knocked over in the night.

9. Grandma's mailbox was blown to pieces.

10. She told Ernie that there was a mouse in the milk and that she would be going away. She also told Ernie that Joe was in a gang in Chicago.