

## Questions for kids:

Why won't Pu Su's father allow Pu Su to play in other villages?



Do you have friends who look different than you? What makes you similar?



What are the differences between the people? What are the similarities?





Would you play with the yellow, blue, green and pink children?

## Pu Su's Adventures



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- ထုတ်ဝေသူ ဒေါ်အိပ္ပင့်ရှီဇံ (ဝ၁၇၉၃) သဒ်စတိုရီပရောဂျက်စာပေတိုက် အမှတ် (၁၇၃)၊ ပထမထပ်၊ ၃၈ လမ်း (လယ်)၊ ကျောက်တံတားမြို့နယ်၊ ရန်ကုန်။
- ရွှေပုံနိပ်တိုက် (မြဲ-၀၀၆၃၂၆) ပံနိပ် အမှတ် (၁၅၃/၁၅၅)၊ သစ်တောဝင်း (အောက်လမ်း) မောင်လေးဝင်းရပ်ကွက်၊ အလုံမြို့နယ်၊ ရန်ကုန်။

### Vocabulary

skin (n) အသားရောင် mayor (n) သူကြီး lost (adj) လမ်းပျောက်သော happily (adv) ပျော်ရှင်စွာ excited (adj) စိတ်လှုပ်ရှားသော invited (v) ဖိတ်ကြားခဲ့သည် delicious (adj) အရသာ ရှိသော laugh (v) ရယ်မောသည် similarity (n) တူညီမူ adventures (n) စွန့်စားခန်းများ cooperation (n) လက်တွဲလုပ်ဆောင်ခြင်း



### Mayor of Yellow Village







Long, long ago, there were four villages on a mountain. There was Yellow Village, Blue Village, Green Village and Pink Village. People with yellow **skin** lived in Yellow Village.

People with blue skin lived in Blue Village. People with green skin lived in Green Village and people with pink skin lived in Pink Village. The villages were on the same mountain but the villagers didn't go to the other villages because they didn't look the same. There was a little yellow girl named Pu Su who lived in Yellow Village. Pu Su was the daughter of the **mayor** of Yellow Village.

One day, Pu Su was playing in the forest. Soon she was **lost**. She arrived at Blue Village and an old blue woman saw Pu Su and asked, "Oh little child, where are you going?" Pu Su said, "I'm from Yellow Village and I am lost." Then the old woman gave her some snacks and showed her the way home.

Blue children also played **happily** like yellow children. Now Pu Su wanted to go visit other villages.

Pu Su was excited to meet blue people. She thought the old woman with blue skin was friendly like the old yellow women in Yellow Village.

The next week Pu Su went to Green Village. All the people had green skin, different than Pu Su's yellow skin. A green man said, "What a cute yellow girl. Have some rice pudding." Pu Su played together with the green kids and **invited** them to Yellow Village. Pu Su then went to Pink Village. In Pink Village, Pu Su helped an old pink lady plant small trees. The pink lady made Pu Su a **delicious** lunch and invited Pu Su to visit again. When the yellow kids heard about all the different people Pu Su met, they also wanted to play with them. One asked, "Did they **laugh** at your yellow skin?" Pu Su answered, "No, they didn't. They like my yellow skin." One day, Pu Su's father, the mayor, said to her, "There are four villages on this mountain, but you cannot go to other villages." Pu Su asked, "Why?" The mayor answered, "We are different, and that's why." The mayor said, "We have different colored skin." Pu Su thought for a while and replied to her father, "I saw the differences and I also noticed one similarity." The mayor asked, "What was that?" Pu Su told her father about the villages she visited and said, "They helped others and were very friendly. Their skin may be different but their kind hearts are the same."

The mayor understood what she said and held a meeting with the other mayors from Blue, Green and Pink Villages and told them about Pu Su's adventures. The mayors agreed to have better cooperation between villages. From then on, the people from those four villages visited each other and lived happily together.