

with strength and resilience, rather than weakness and decline.

Q. 3 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

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In a country touched with the fire of war, a five-year-old girl cringed with cold, checking her surroundings, her eyes squinting with fear. It was the winter of 1950 when the temperature dropped as low as minus 5 degrees. The girl, who was wearing nothing but tattered clothes, was crying so loud that her lungs were about to burst. In the darkest hour of her very short life, this small girl was found by a young Turkish soldier

Suleyman who took this little Korean girl under his wings after learning that her entire family had been killed. Not only Süleyman who was like a father to her but the entire military camp became her family. Soon, Süleyman named her "Ayla" (Halo) as her face was shining under the full moon when he found her. For one-and-a-half years, Ayla and Süleyman became inseparable; however, every fairy tale comes to an end. When the time came for Turkish soldiers to leave Korea and return home, Süleyman wanted to take Ayla with him, but it was not possible. With tears pouring down their faces, Süleyman and Ayla, who had been brought together by the war, were separated again by the same war. Süleyman left for Turkey, while Ayla was put in an orphanage. For years, Süleyman always thought about Ayla. When South Korea sent a rescue team after the Gölcük Earthquake that hit Turkey in 1999, he hoped that Ayla would come and look for him. When the Turkish National Football Team was playing in the World Cup in South Korea in 2002, Süleyman gazed through the spectators on TV, hoping to catch a glimpse of Ayla, but he never could.

At the age of 85, Sergeant Süleyman Dilbirliği attended the reception held for the 60th anniversary of the Korean War. During the reception, Süleyman shared his story. A South Korean journalist started to investigate. When it was thought that the hopes were shattered, a man claimed that his sister kept in touch with Ayla years after graduation, and her official name was Kim Eunja. When she was visited at her home, 65-year-old Ayla was shown the old photos and everything came back to her. In tears, Ayla said Süleyman was her hero.

After the discovery, the Korean government invited Süleyman to meet with Ayla, and in 2010, the long lost father and daughter hugged each other in the park at the Ankara School where Süleyman had to leave Ayla almost 60 years ago. All the retired sergeant could say was "It is over girl. I'm here."

In 2017, the heart-warming story of Ayla and Turkish Sergeant Süleyman inspired the Turkish production "Ayla: The Daughter of War," which was selected as Turkey's official candidate for best foreign language film for the Oscars. Although the film did not make it to the short list, the story of a little Korean girl and a Turkish soldier warmed the hearts of millions around the world.

Questions:

- Q1. What were the conditions like for the five-year-old girl in the winter of 1950 when she was found by the Turkish soldier Süleyman?
- Q2. How did the young Turkish soldier Süleyman come to find and take care of the Korean girl during the war?
- Q3. What actions did Süleyman take to try to reunite with Ayla after they were separated by the war?
- Q4. How was Ayla eventually rediscovered after many years, and what was her reaction upon being shown old photos?
- Q5. What impact did the story of Ayla and Sergeant Süleyman have, and how was it later commemorated in popular culture?

Comprehension

Answers:

1. A five year little girl was extremely trembling in minus 5 degree of freezing, ^{winter} when she was founded by a turkish soldier Suleyman during Cold war in 1950. Her condition was so dreadful that she weaned mere tattered clothes. Her eyes were full of fear and she was crying loudly.
2. Turkish soldier Suleyman founded little Korean girl in a terrible condition. After, he took her into military camp ~~and~~ - started taking care of her like a father - named her "Ayla". Soon, ^{the} entire military camp was like family to Ayla until the soldier left for their home ~~to~~ to the Turkey.
3. Suleyman always tried to reunite with Ayla. During Golcuk Earthquake in 1999; South Korean rescue team arrived; while, Suleyman's eyes were gazing at Ayla. He was hoped that Ayla will come and found him. Furthermore, ^{In South Korea,} During Fifa World Cup 2002, Suleyman's eyes ~~were~~ tried to find a single glimpse of Ayla while watching a TV.

4. On the eve of Goli's anniversary of Korean War, Suleyman shared his heart-wrenching story. From there, a South Korean journalist started to discover Ayla. Eventually, Ayla was approached - shown his old photos ~~of~~ ^{of} Korean War. She had teared in her eyes when she ^{had} flashbacked and called Suleyman hero to her.

5. The story of Ayla and Sergeant Suleyman inspired millions of people around the world. Moreover, the Turkish film production made a film on story of Ayla and Suleyman - named as "Ayla: The Daughter of War"