

CHAPTER One

“The Big Why”

One Sunday morning, Hannah, Lila, Zara and Maya were arguing with Hamza, Logan, Adam, and John about who can present their Holiday tradition better.

“I can do it better!”

“No, I can!”

“Stop, I have an idea... Let’s do ‘Girls vs Boys,’” says Hannah.

“But where?” says Zara. “I know me and my dad have been working on a girls vs boys area, let’s go to my house.”

CHAPTER Two

“The Yum Yum”

“WOW! The room is sooo colorful!” There are six rooms, with a small wall in between each.

“Lila, go get your mom, and I’ll get mine,” says Hannah. “Hamza, go get your dad. I’ll also get mine,” says Adam.

They come back the next day. They paint the title of the challenge in each room.

“Look! A magic cat and goat come with ingredients and potions. Good for making baklava. We should put these three potions and these three nuts in,” Hannah and Hamza say to their teams.

They put them in the bowl and mix.

Then, the goat puts a touch of magic and *POOF!* A baklava appears.

They put it to the side. Lila and Logan say, “Add in these five potions and mix. Then they shape the dough into a gingerbread house and put it in the oven.

“Now, decorate.”

So they did.

CHAPTER Three

“The Gift Wrap”

“Okay, who wants to go first?”, says Lila.

“You can go first,” says Logan.

“No, you can. Right girls!?” asks Hannah, with a wink.

“Ya”

“Yes”

“Sure,” the rest of the girls reply.

"Okay boys, let's do this!" says Hamza.

They have to wrap four gifts. Whoever does it faster wins! "Three... two... one ...GO!" scream all the girls together. Five or six seconds pass.

"DONE!" says Logan.

"Here," says Hannah while handing Logan the stopwatch.

"GO!" says Logan, "60 Seconds!"

"No, let me see," says Lila. Hannah looks first.

"5.2 seconds. Really?" she says, "They wrote down the time of who went faster. Girls - one, boys - zero."

CHAPTER Four ***"The Clothing Embellishment"***

"C'mon, let's go to the next room! We're halfway there," says Zara. They run over to the clothes.

"Let's pick the decorations.," says Hannah.

"Got'm," says Logan, while taking the Christmas items to the station.

"Got the Eid stuff," says Hamza. "Same," say Hannah and Lila, while taking both to their station. "Start with the Eid," says Lila. They agree.

The boys finish first.

A few minutes pass and the girls finish too.

CHAPTER Five ***"The Fast Room"***

"WOW!" they all say in shock. There were four rooms with boxes of decorations. Two of them have a Christmas tree and two have a 'Ja Namaz' (praying mat).

"Oh, I get it. We decorate the rooms," says Hannah. "Start with the Christmas rooms," says Lila.

"Three... two... one... GO!" proclaims Hannah's mom.

Four minutes pass . . .

"DONE!" yells Hannah.

One minute passes, and the boys finish next.

CHAPTER Six (the final chapter)
"The Deciding Piece of Paper"

Everyone walks into the next room, scared. There are eight tables, each with a privacy folder and a lined sheet of paper. They all know what to do.

"Okay, let's get to our seats," says Lila. They all write what they learned. The girls hand the pieces of paper to the judges.

They read them, taste the food, look at the clothes, and rate the decorations. Then, they have a private discussion on deciding who would win.

"Ready?" asks Hannah's mom.

"Yes. . ."

The rest of the judges reply... "GIRLS WIN!!!"

The boys are proud of the girls and the girls say, "It was fun, and thank you for being good sports!"

. . . The next day, they meet up and all yell at the same time:
"REMATCH!"

THE END.