

## **Phonetic drill**

This is the season,  
When mornings are dark.  
And birds do not sing,  
In the forests and park.

# New words

- mausoleum - кесене
- Region – аймақ
- delicate - нәзік
- refuse - бас тарту
- nanny - күтуші
- Curse - қарғыс
- poisonous - улы
- Beg - жалбарыну
- Faithful - адал
- Empire - империя

# I Work with the text


● Mausoleum of Aisha Bibi, although its true origins are lost in history, there is a local legend that tells the tragic story of Aisha Bibi and her death. Once while Karakhan khan was walking along the streets of that great city, Karakhan came across Aisha Bibi, the beautiful daughter of Khakim-Ata. When Karakhan and Aisha Bibi saw each other they both fell in love. Karakhan went to Aisha's father to ask if he could marry his daughter but Khakim-Ata refused. Before he left, Aisha Bibi and Karakhan made a secret promise to marry each other. A few weeks passed, but Aisha Bibi had no news from Karakhan. She decided to travel to Taraz to find him. Her mother helped her pack a few things to take with her and sent her old nanny Babadzha Khatun with her. But as Khakim-Ata saw his daughter riding away he shouted a curse after her: "You will cross six rivers, but you will not cross the seventh!"

● Before they crossed the seventh river, they stopped so Aisha could bathe, forgetting her father's curse. Just then, a poisonous snake leapt from under a rock and bit her. The poison was fast. Aisha Bibi begged her nanny to ride ahead to Taraz and bring Karakhan to her. When Karakhan arrived, Aisha Bibi died in his arms. The noble Karakhan ordered that a beautiful mausoleum would be built in the exact place that she died. Her faithful nanny Babadzha Khatun guarded the mausoleum until her own death.

## II Answer for following questions:

- 1) Which of the following is true about the Mausoleum of Aisha Bibi?
  - A Many of its patterned tiles are lost.
  - B It is in Samarkand.
  - C No one knows its true origins.
- 2) Why did Khakim-Ata refuse when Karakhan asked if he could marry Aisha Bibi?
  - A Karakhan's kingdom was too small.
  - B Aisha Bibi didn't want to marry Karakhan.
  - C Karakhan lived too far away.

- 3) What happened after Aisha Bibi died?
- A Karakhan guarded her until he died.
- B Karakhan built a mausoleum where she died.
- C Karakhan got married to another woman.
- **III Who does what? Read and complete the sentences. Use: Karakhan – Aisha Bibi – Babadzha Khatun – Khakim-Ata.**
- 1 ..... died after being bitten by a poisonous snake.
- 2 When Aisha Bibi died, ..... guarded her tomb until she died herself.
- 3 ..... shouted a curse after his daughter as she rode away to Taraz.
- 4 After Aisha Bibi was bitten, she died in the arms of.....

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- IV. Complete the sentences. Use: refused, guarded, buried, ordered, crossed. You can use your dictionary.
  - 1 The khan ..... his men to build a mausoleum.
  - 2 The soldiers ..... the king to keep him safe.
  - 3 Karakhan ..... Aisha Bibi in a beautiful tomb.
  - 4 They ..... the river in order to get to the other side.
  - 5 Her father ..... when Karakhan asked to marry Aisha Bibi.