

Meg looked at her old dress.

“I know, Jo,” she said. “But we don’t have much money.”

Amy said, “My friends are going to have presents. I want some presents too.”

Beth smiled.

“We don’t have any money,” she said. “But we have Mother and Father, and we’re happy.”

Jo didn’t smile.

She said, “We don’t have Father. He’s away in the war and he isn’t coming back for Christmas.”

“Maybe he isn’t going to come back,” the girls thought. But they didn’t say it.

old
war
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מלחמה
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thought (think)

חשבו

“We have a little money,” Meg said. “What can we buy?”

“I want a new book,” Jo said. She loved reading.

“And I’d like some pens,” Amy said.

“I don’t want any presents,” Beth said. “Let’s buy presents for Mother. We can put them on the table for her on Christmas Day.”

“Yes,” said Jo. “Let’s do that. We can buy them tomorrow. What can we get for her?”

Then Mrs. March arrived in her dark coat and old hat.

She called, “Children, I’m home!”

“Hello, Mother!” the girls answered.

buy
new
tomorrow

לקנות
חדש
מחר

arrived

הגיעה