

5. A baby goat

Look at the picture. Guess what happens in the story.



Now read the story and answer the questions.

Chipo held the tiny baby goat in her arms. She was at home with her sister Violet, and Violet's friend Nomusa. Chipo was holding a bottle of milk to the kid's mouth.

"Do you want to feed her?" she asked Nomusa.

"OK," said Nomusa with a smile, and took the bottle.

"She's hungry," Nomusa said. "What happened to her mother?"

"We don't know," said Violet. "She disappeared yesterday. Now we've got to look after her baby."

"Can you get another mother goat to look after her?" asked Nomusa.

"It's too late. You can only do that when the kid has just been born. This one is a few days old."

"What are you going to do?" Nomusa asked.

"We'll have to feed her until she's old enough to look after herself," said Violet. "We're giving her milk from one of our other goats."

"I think she's had enough now," said Chipo, and put the kid back in a box full of straw.

"It isn't going to be easy," said Violet. "We'll have to find out lots of things."

"But it'll be worth it," said Chipo. "Look at her. She's so cute!" Then she kissed the little goat.

"Don't kiss the goat!" said Violet. "It isn't clean!"

1. Why were the girls looking after the baby goat?
2. What food were they giving to the baby goat?
3. What did Chipo do after they fed the baby goat?
4. What did Violet say about that?



Read the article and answer the questions.

Feeding a baby goat: What do you need?

You can feed a kid with a baby's bottle. Of course, if you do this, do not then use the bottle for a baby.

You can also use an ordinary bottle with a teat from a baby's bottle on the end. A half litre drink bottle is perfect. If you do not have a teat from a baby's bottle, you can use a finger cut from a rubber glove. Make a small hole in the end, and then put the finger over the mouth of the bottle.

If possible, use milk from another goat. If this is not possible, you can buy special milk powder for baby goats. If there is nothing else, you can use cow's milk, but this is not ideal.



1. Say three types of feeding bottle you can use.
2. Say three types of milk you can use.
3. Why do you think cow's milk is not ideal?