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Lesson 1

Lesson - what is to be learned

Scholar - pupil; learner

Teacher - tutor; instructor

Through - to the end

Mean - signify

Study - apply the mind

Harder - more difficult

Pauses - stops; rests

The Good Scholars

Emma. Teacher, may Charles and I each have a new book? We have read this book through three times.

Teacher. Do you think you can spell all the words in that book, and tell me what they mean?

Beautiful Stories for Children

Emma. I think we can spell them all right; but I do not know that we can tell what they all mean.

Teacher. Well, Emma, you may spell guilt, and tell me what it means.

Emma. G-u-i-l-t, guilt, shame.

Teacher. Charles, you may spell neat.

Charles. N-e-a-t, - neat, clean.

Teacher. Very well. Emma, you may spell catch.

Emma. C-a-t-c-h, - catch, to seize.

Teacher. Charles, you may spell climb.

Charles. C-l-i-m-b, - climb, to mount.

Teacher. Very well done. You shall each have a new book. But you will have to study; for you will find some harder words in this book.

Emma. Thank you, kind teacher; we will try to spell them all, and tell what they mean, when we get through this book.

Teacher. Yes; but you will have to learn the sounds of the letters, and the use of the marks and pauses.

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- Emma.** Thank you, kind teacher; we will try to spell them all, and tell what they mean, when we get through this book.
- Teacher.** Yes; but you will have to learn the sounds of the letters, and the use of the marks and pauses.

The Good Scholars

Charles. Emma, I think we can learn them, too, if we study hard.

Teacher. I am sure you will both do your best for God's glory.