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Lila from Nepal and Amira from Congo were best friends.
One morning, they were in the playground when they saw something in the sky.

"Look, Amira, a strange-looking bird!" said Lila.
Amira blinked. "Lila, look carefully... it looks like a horse. But that can't be. How can a horse fly?"

The two girls waved, and the horse gently came down from the sky.
"Sairam, Amira and Lila, you called me, so I came," said the horse.

Surprised, the girls asked: *"Sairam Mister Horse, you can fly and talk... how is that possible?"*

The horse: *"I was a student in the SSSSB class. Our SSSSB guru taught us two important lessons to become successful:*

- 1] Pay attention to yourself and improve what is not good.
- 2] Look only at the good in others.

The horse said: *"I practiced these lessons every day. One day, a flying elephant came to me and said I could make two wishes."*

The horse said: *"Then I thought: If I could also fly and speak human language, then I could tell all children to practice these two lessons daily. That is why I made these two wishes."*

My first wish was: To become a flying horse.
My second wish was: To speak the language of humans.

Now, as a flying horse, I don't need a bike, scooter, car, bus, or plane. I can fly from country to country, reminding all children everywhere to also practice the two teachings."

Questions for today:

- 1] What two things did the horse learn from his SSSSB guru?
- 2] If you could wish for two things, what would you wish for?