

Dāmodara role cards

Mother Yaśodā Binds Lord Kṛṣṇa | 22 minutes

Story connection

While Yaśodā churns butter, restless Kṛṣṇa overturns the pot; she tries to bind Him, but every rope is too short until He allows Himself to be bound as Dāmodara (Krishna Book / Mother Yaśodā binds Lord Kṛṣṇa).

Narrator

Line: Mother Yaśodā churns butter while restless Kṛṣṇa wants her attention.
Action: Mime churning, then point to each next beat.
Prop: story cards

Yaśodā

Line: Wait, my child—let me finish churning, then I will feed you.
Action: Stir an imaginary pot with steady circles.
Prop: wooden spoon

Kṛṣṇa

Line: I tip the yogurt pot, then stand still when Mother tries the rope.
Action: Tip an empty cup sideways, then freeze with a soft smile.
Prop: empty yogurt cup

Neighbor gopī

Line: The ropes keep coming up short—how is that possible?
Action: Hold two yarn ends apart to show a small gap.
Prop: two yarn pieces

Cowherd child

Line: Look—He let Himself be bound! Love is stronger than the rope.
Action: Clap once softly and bow toward Yaśodā and Kṛṣṇa.
Prop: flower

Put the Dāmodara pastime in order

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- Number the eight shuffled cards in story order.
- Draw one gentle detail on each card.



Each rope she joins is still two fingers too short.

Number + draw one detail



Yaśodā churns butter with loving concentration.

Number + draw one detail



He stands as Dāmodara, bound at the waist in love.

Number + draw one detail



He overturns a pot of yogurt in playful anger.

Number + draw one detail



The pastime teaches that the Lord yields to pure devotion.

Number + draw one detail



Hungry Kṛṣṇa asks for milk and becomes restless.

Number + draw one detail