

The Day I was in a Performance by Dharma – Year 5

I am going to tell you the time I was in a performance. It all began like this.

I was doing three Bollywood dances at my Dad's cousin's brother's engagement. It took place in Hayes. I did a week's worth of practice with help from my mum too. I enjoy dancing and I am good at it, that is why my Aunt asked me. To be a good Bollywood dancer you need to move those hips well. As the days were getting closer I was getting more and more nervous. My family on my Dad's side were going to be there as well as my Aunt's side. The bride and grooms names were Rishi and Gita. I was going to be dancing on my own so I was a bit nervous at the thought of it but I knew that as I got on I would lose my butterflies and really get into it afterwards.

When we travelled there we went by car and I was excited and nervous at the same time! All my cousins were there at the same time as we came.

"I'm going to get Rishi Uncle and Aunt Gita up on the first song, 'Salaam e Ishq'," I told them.

"You will get the audience really moving there," they all laughed.

"I'm going to give it LARGE!" I said.

At the engagement, while the ceremony was going on me, my brother and my cousins were all in the other room playing. By accident, we all got locked out, so we all had to go out into the High Street and go through the side entrance!

After the ceremony had finished we all went to have some food. My cousins and me found someone we knew and we jumped the queue. All of the food was Indian and it was really nice. When we had all finished eating it was time to dance.

I did the first dance in a Punjabi Suit; the dance was five minutes long and a bit tiring. The second dance was called, 'Sheila Ki Jawani' and it was a remix. I wore some funky clothes for it. The song was two and a half minutes. The finale song was another song that is a remix with 'Just Dance' and 'Twist'. I wore the same outfit as in the previous dance but with a hat. When it was all over everyone clapped

and cheered and I earned twenty-two pounds from either side of the families. I was relieved it was over and so proud of myself.

Lots of people were asking me to teach them and the DJ asked me to teach him and he would pay me, he joked!