

Girl Cries Stone Tears, Baffles Scientists



12-year-old Saadiya Saleh of Yemen has a baffling problem. When Saadiya cries, her tears are change into small, hard stones. They form under her eyelids and come out as tears.

Saadiya does not have any known disease. Doctors are can't explain the strange phenomenon.

Yemen's TV channel showed a video of Saadiya crying tears of stone. In the video a helper wipes her eyes with a napkin. The helper shows the napkin to the TV camera. You can see small stones on the napkin! The video also shows a small container full of similar stones. They were collected from Saadiya's eyes in just a few hours.

Doctors are struggling to treat Saadiya's strange condition. People in her village are very superstitious. Some say the girl could be under a magical spell. Others say it might be the devil. Others fear it could be a dangerous disease.

The villagers are starting to panic. They may kick Saadiya and her family out of the village.

Hopefully doctors will find a cure soon.