

🇬🇧 SSSSB Story 028b: From Influence to Transformation [13+ years]



Rahul was a boy admired by everyone for his gentle nature and respect for others. But lately, things began to change. He started demanding and showing indifference, especially toward his parents and younger sister.

Worried parents soon discovered the reason — a new classmate named Faneel. Under Faneel's influence, Rahul began demanding money for unnecessary expenses. When his requests were denied, he reacted with anger and frustration.

Rahul's parents met the class teacher, who was also a wise SSSSB guru. Faneel's parents also admitted: *"We spoiled Faneel in the past. Now that we are unemployed, we can no longer meet all his demands."*

The teacher spoke lovingly to Faneel. After a conversation about the value of money and the struggles his parents faced, Faneel confessed: *"My parents always gave me what I wanted, but now the situation has changed."*

Feeling regret, Faneel decided to change. He spoke to Rahul: *"Rahul, I now realize I was wrong to always ask for money. Our class teacher kindly convinced me."*

Rahul responded: *"You're right. We must transform ourselves. Good-mannered children are loved by everyone, while spoiled children are disliked and bring pain to their families. I have experienced this myself. Let's be careful in our actions and work hard to become better, so that our parents and community can be proud of us."*

Rahul's Change: He stopped demanding money and began helping his parents with household chores. He listened respectfully to his sister, encouraged her in her studies, and became more patient and polite in his speech.

Faneel's Change: He learned to be content with simple things, stopped asking for unnecessary expenses, and began showing gratitude. He helped his parents with chores started saving small amounts instead of spending carelessly.

Together: Both boys joined the SSSSB classes with their teacher. They practiced values like honesty, discipline, and seva. They volunteered to clean their classroom, greeted elders respectfully, and helped classmates with homework.

Slowly, they became exemplary students. Their friendship itself became a source of inspiration.

Question and Heart-Work: *"What is one thing you can do to be a good friend, so that your friends feel inspired to change and grow in a positive way?"*