



There were two boys who were good friends, even though they often thought differently about many things. Boy A used up everything he got immediately, without self-control or thinking it through. Boy B used only what he really needed and saved as much as possible for others and for emergencies.

One day, they went together to Guru Practice. They asked many questions, and Guru Practice answered them all. But for the last question, Guruji responded a little mysteriously:

The last question was: "Guruji, what is a wise way to deal with possessions and talents?"

Guru Practice raised one hand to the sky and placed the other on the boys' heads and said: "3 x Om." In silence, he said a mantra or prayer, and then said: "3 x Shanti."

He said: "From now on, you may make three wishes, whenever you like. Of course, they must never be used to harm others. If you say 'Om' and speak your wish, then say '3 x Shanti', The three wishes will remain valid even in a next life, if you don't use them in this one."

The boys thanked Guru Practice and gave him the three mangoes they had brought along but had forgotten to give upon arrival.

Guruji smiled and said: "Be patient, place limits on your wishes, and think carefully."

First question of the day: 🌀 *What three wishes would you make if you received this special blessing?*

On the way home, Boy A wanted to make a wish right away, but Boy B said: "Don't do that, friend. We are blessed to have three wishes — let's also remember the last words of Guruji."

But Boy A thought to himself: "As soon as I get home, I'm going to start making wishes."

When he got home, he still had to do his homework. He always saved it up and did it in a rush at the last

minute, which led to mistakes. When he opened his planner, he saw a lot of homework — especially from last week, and even an important report from the week before. He felt very upset.

Reluctantly, he began working on it, but then suddenly remembered the three wishes.

He said: "Om, please complete all my homework — including the important assignment from last week that I had saved up. Shanti Shanti Shanti".

Impatiently, he opened all his notebooks — and everything was perfectly done, in his own handwriting. Only the report was missing. He wanted to use his second wish for the report, but checked his school bag one more time — and yes! The report was neatly inside. Boy A had never been so happy.

He lay down on his bed and thought, joyfully: "Tomorrow, I'll go to school early. For the first time, I'll get compliments from the teachers for my homework!"

Then he got hungry. He said to himself: "Today I feel like having momo, chowmein, and chocolate."

He said: "Om, I'm very hungry — may I please have momo, chowmein, and chocolate? Shanti Shanti Shanti"

He quickly opened his eyes — and everything he wished for was sitting on his desk. After eating, he called his friend Boy B and said: "The blessing from Guru Practice really works! I've already used two wishes — the first one did all my homework, and the second one gave me momo, chowmein, and chocolate!" "And there were so many kinds of chocolate — I ate everything and now I have a stomachache... but no problem! If it doesn't go away, I'll use the third wish!"

Boy B said: "....."

**Second Question 2:** What would you say if you were Boy B?

**Question and Heart-Work Assignments:**

- What do you think about this story?
- Explain. Create a song or drawing or poem or something creative about this story.