



Excited about their future, Nono and Nana applied for a position at a prestigious company. After successfully passing several rounds of tests, they reached the final stage.

The examiner entered the room holding a notebook. Turning to Nono, who sat behind him, he asked: "What color is this notebook?" Nono glanced at it and confidently replied, "The notebook is red." The examiner then asked Nana, who sat in front of him: "What color is this notebook?" Nana looked carefully and answered, "The notebook is black."

Both immediately protested. Because each was convinced that only they were right. What they did not know is the examiner was also a Guru who taught in the SSSSB classes. He calmly said, "Neither of you gave a wrong answer. But neither of you passed the test."

Surprised, they fell silent. The Guru then turned the notebook around so both could see it. To their amazement, the notebook had a red back cover and a black front cover.

At once, they understood. The Guru explained: "Both of you spoke the truth from your own position. Yet neither of you paused to consider that the other person might also be speaking the truth from a different viewpoint." With humility, the students lowered their heads. One of them said softly, "I should have waited before judging. I should have listened, reflected, and respected a different opinion."

The Guru smiled. "When the heart is humble, it becomes possible to see through another person's eyes. As understanding grows, arguments fade and harmony blossoms."

Nono and Nana folded their hands. "Guruji, today we learned that understanding each other is more important than proving ourselves right."

The Guru replied: "The situation may be the same, but our understanding can be different. Respect every viewpoint, listen with patience, and seek to understand before being understood. This is the path of wisdom, peace, and spiritual growth."

Question: Have you ever experienced a situation where two people had different opinions about the same event?

Heart-Work: This week, practice staying calm, respecting different viewpoints, and seeking the full picture before judging. Share your experience and what you learned.