

SSSSB Story 043a: Think Before You Join [5-12 years]



One day, Boy A and Boy B were walking home from school. They were both in grade 3, but from different schools.

Boy A said, "Some boys from my class want to go play at the playground tomorrow. We finish school early, and the playground is on the way home. But they said, 'Don't tell your parents.' They asked me to come too."

What should I do? Boy B said, "Oh no, don't go! That happened in my class last week. I went with some boys to the playground without telling my parents, but my parents found it out."

Boy A asked, "Did you get in trouble?"

Boy B nodded, "Yes. I told a lie. I said the teacher gave us homework to count how many swings and slides were in the playground. But my dad didn't believe me. He said he would ask the teacher."

Boy B looked a little sad. "I feel sorry now. My teacher trusts me. My mother works so hard for me. We have a cat and a parrot at home — I feel like even they would be sad if they knew I didn't make a good choice."

Then Boy B asked, "What would you do if you were me?"

Boy A said, "I don't know... Maybe we can ask the SSSSB children what they think is best!"

Question and Heart-Work: Have you ever had to choose between something right and wrong?