

My Moral Story- “A stitch in time saves nine”

“Sarah have you done your homework?”

My mother asked me. Ugh I can’t do it right now! I have to send this message and watch this video, how about five minutes? I will be sure to finish by then.

“No just give me five minutes” I replied distractingly.

“Why is everyone making me do homework? If I already do school work!” Even my teacher, Ms Jones says to me, “You must complete this homework”

But I just reply,

“Yes I will do it later” because I will! But just not now, my friends are going to FaceTime me and I want to join in.



My Mother again says,

“Sarah, a stitch in time saves nine” (in my defence I have no idea what that means so...)

“Yeah yeah I know” I huffed. It had been 27 minutes since my mother told me to do my homework. But I was still busy, I could not put my phone down at this moment because my friends were all sending funny videos on the group chat and I really wanted to see them! So maybe another five minutes?

She always replied the same thing again and again “later...later”. She always got distracted with things she assumed to be better. She was always on her phone and her iPad, postponing her work.



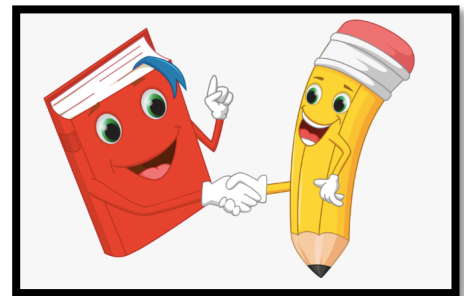
Eventually Sarah arrived at school a few weeks later “I hope you have all done your homework because this is a very important test right now. Good Luck!” Miss Jones said, smiling.

Everyone except her was writing aggressively on their papers.

But when I looked, I didn’t remember anything! The test was so sudden!

She had not even looked through her books and now there was a test? She was so scared. This was a very important test which she needed to pass but since she didn’t study, Sarah failed it.

I grunted when I got home and sat on my bed, by my side my phone was pinging. But on my other side were books and homework. I immediately realised which was more important. I sat at my desk on the next week of the test and... PASSED!



•Moral of the story•

‘A stitch in time saves nine’ teaches us the lesson of solving a problem immediately rather than waiting and letting it grow into a bigger problem and then trying to unravel the problem which is often then much more difficult to resolve.