

SSSSB Story 052a – Think Before You Join (For ages 5–9)

One day, Boy A and Boy B were walking home from school. They were both in class 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 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 SSSB children what they think is best!"

W Heart-Questions:

- 1] What did you like about this story?
- 2] What would you tell Boy B?
- 3] Have you ever had to choose between doing something right or wrong?

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