

A SCHOOL CHANGE

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(In the classroom)

Mr. West: Good morning students.

James, Michael: Hello teacher.

James: It's not a very good day because Nathan is absent.

Mr. West: Oh, I see. How was your weekend?

Michael: It was great. I went to a shopping centre with Nathan and James on Saturday. Yesterday he told me he is sick.

Mr. West: What a pity. Today is your lucky day. You won the contest that you signed up for last week.

Michael: You are taking us to the minister of education?

Mr. West: That's right.

James, Michael: Yay!

Mr. West: You will meet him tomorrow at 4 pm. I will give you a ride but you are going alone into his office.

James: I hope Nathan can come.

Mr. West: I hope so too.

Mr. West: Now, let's learn some math.

(At the end of the class)

Nathan: Ok, Mr. West, we'll see you tomorrow.

Mr. West: Goodbye.

Michael, James: Goodbye.

(They knock at the office)

Mr. Evers: Come in.

Michael: Hello, Mr. Evers. We are the students that can talk to you.

Mr. Evers: Oh. You are James, Michael and Nathan. Am I right?

Nathan: Yes, we are. We are here to talk about a change in schools all around the country.

Mr. Evers: Ok. Have a seat.

Mr. Evers: I can't change schools. At least not at the moment.

Nathan: Why? So, kids don't change schools? We are the ones that know how it is in school.

Mr. Evers: And how is it?

Michael: Well, school starts too early and ends too late.

Mr. Evers: But you need a quality education.

James: We know. That's why we want to make classes 15 minutes shorter.

Mr. Evers: And what? You finish school like 1 hour earlier?

Nathan: Yes! We are tired after school every day.

Michael: Aren't you tired of seeing your kid like that?

Mr. Evers: I am but he's getting a quality education and that makes me happy. It will be good for his future.

James: But then he will be tired in the future.

Nathan: And we can still get quality education in like half an hour...

Mr. Evers: Yes. But he won't get those 15 minutes, which is something. A third of the class.

Michael: We know that, but it will make a better life for students.

Mr. Evers: You are right but the answer is still no. Our time has been spent. I will call your school and ask for you if I change my mind. Goodbye.

James, Nathan, Michael: Goodbye.

(They leave the office and come down to Mr. West's car)

James: Hello, Mr. West!

Nathan: Hello, Mr. West!

Michael: Hello, Mr. West!

Mr. West: Hello, boys. How did it go?

James: It didn't go as planned. The minister said no.

Nathan: But luckily, he said that he may give us a call.

Mr. West: Well, this is some bad and good news. Let's go to school.

(2 weeks later)

Mr. West: Good morning, students.

James, Nathan, Michael: Good morning, Mr. West!

Mr. West: The minister called yesterday. He invited you to his office. I will give you a ride there. I will wait in the car in front of the school. Meet you in 10 minutes.

Michael: Let's go!

(They get in the car and drive to the office)

(They knock on the door)

Mr. Evers: Come in!

James, Nathan, Michael: Good morning, Mr. Evers.

Mr. Evers: Good morning. I thought about your offer and I think it would be good for the school system because I thought about the times that I saw my son being tired and that was a lot of times. I don't want that for my son or any children.

James, Nathan, Michael: Yes! Thank you, Mr. Evers.

Mr. Evers: Yes. In a week or two there will be school from 9 am until 1 pm. Goodbye.

James, Nathan, Michael: Goodbye.

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(1 week later)
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(James, Nathan and Michael watching the news)

Mr. Evers (on news): Today, I officially announce that students have to go to school from 9 am to 1 pm. I hope they won't be tired and that they have enough free time in the afternoon.

(Michael, James, Nathan celebrate)