

DISASTER STRIKES!!!

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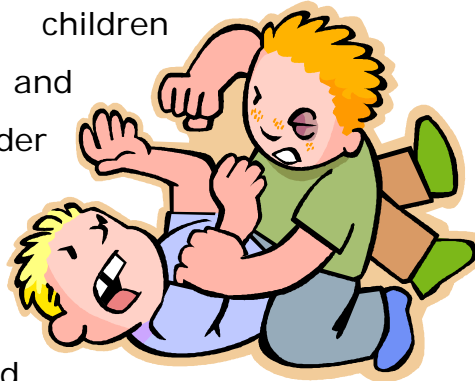
Trina was going to school for the first time. She was going to kindergarten and she was a bit afraid. When the students went into the classroom the teacher was not there, so some of the students started to play. They did not know how to act in school because it was their first time in school. Some of the kindergarteners took chalk and wrote on the walls. Others started to use crayons to draw pictures on the desks. Trina tried to tell some

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of the children to clean up the room and sit down in the chairs, but no one listened to her because she is not a teacher.

Later some older children came into the classroom, but they did not help the younger kids. Instead they took the younger kids' things and started throwing them across the room. Trina told one of the older children to stop bothering them, but the older child just pushed her down, and Trina got hurt. The

other young children started crying, and this made the older children upset, so they started shouting at the little kids and



telling them to shut up. But this did not make the kindergarteners stop crying because they were so scared, they couldn't stop. So a few of the older kids started hitting the little ones. The noise from the classroom was so loud you

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could here it all way on the other side of the school.

Surely someone would come to help the younger children and make the students act better... but no one came. Trina tried to get away from the class, but one boy took her lunch box and ate all of her food. Another boy took her bookbag and emptied it in the garbage can. Trina ran out of the room and



tried to find someone to help her. She ran outside of the school building and saw one of the neighborhood women across the street. Trina called to the woman, but the woman told Trina to wait for her

mother. So Trina sat outside of the school waiting for her mom. She had to wait a long time, and she felt very hungry and scared. There was a man who came and tried to get Trina to go into his car, but Trina ran away from him.

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At last, Trina saw her mother walking towards the school. She was so happy to see her mom that she almost flew to her. At last Trina felt safe. When she told her mom what had happened, her mom went to talk to the principal, but the principal wasn't there. In fact no adults were at the school. The whole school was out of control.

The next day, Trina told her mother that she didn't want to go to school. Her mother told her she would go in with Trina, and if there was no teacher, Trina could come back home.



The next day, the sun was shining and birds were singing. It was a good sign. Trina and her mother met someone at the entrance of the school building, and the person said she was the new kindergarten teacher. She seemed very friendly and welcomed Trina into school. Trina started to tell the teacher, Ms.

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Faith, about what had happened the day before. The teacher already knew about it, though. She told Trina's mother that things would be different from now on.

When Trina entered the classroom with the other students, they had to stay in line. Each student had an assigned seat. Each person had a place for their things. They were shown



where the bathroom was. The teachers gave them rules to follow; like keeping your hands to yourself; respecting other people's belongings, and following the teacher's directions.

That day the students had fun and learned a lot. When Trina went home she felt much happier. She told her mom that some older students who had been naughty the day before had to come to the smaller kids' class and apologize to them for the way they'd behaved the day before. When Trina's mom asked her

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how the teacher knew who had been naughty, Trina just said, "My teacher knows everything." Trina's mom replied, "In that case, you had better do whatever she asks, so you can learn whatever you need to know."



Trina became a happy student. She learned lots of useful things at school from her teacher.

Example Discussion Questions for Story

1. What bad things happened in the school the first day?
2. Why did the children behave so poorly?
3. How was the class on the second day, when Ms Faith was there?
4. What did Ms Faith do to make the children behave well?
5. How did Trina feel about school after the second day?
6. Which day was better the first day at school or the second? Why?
7. Do you think it was possible for the school to be orderly and organized without a teacher?
8. Do you think we can live happy lives without some divine teacher to help us?
9. Can you name a few of these Divine Teachers? (Christ, Muhammad, Buddha, Baha'u'llah, Moses)
10. What religions did these Divine Teachers establish? (Christianity, Islam, Baha'i Faith, etc.)
11. Do you want to live according to the teachings of these divine teachers, so that you can have a happy life, just as Trina was happy with an ordered school?