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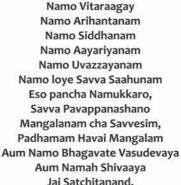
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Samuel was a petite, delicate and a soft orig with black hair and blue eyes. He was the most sincere orig in Orrington! He devoted himself wholeheartedly in all his endeavours.



Exams were approaching and the pupils of Gako High School were preparing for them. Samuel was indeed one of them. He was already half through his revision. But his friend Lionel had not even started studying.



"I hate studying for exams!" complained Lazy Lionel scratching his head. "Studying is so boring...I prefer to play games."

"It doesn't have to be boring," offered Sam who was sitting next to him in maths class. "Come and study with me and Percy this evening. We'll show you how much fun it can be!"

Lionel did not want to go, but he said 'yes' reluctantly.

Lionel had an attractive oval shaped face with brown curly hair and brown eyes. He was very lazy.



That evening, they all met up at Samuel's house and settled in his bedroom on the floor. The moment Sam took out his study notes Lionel became distracted.

"Ooh this is so fancy," he said picking up a lava lamp from the dresser.

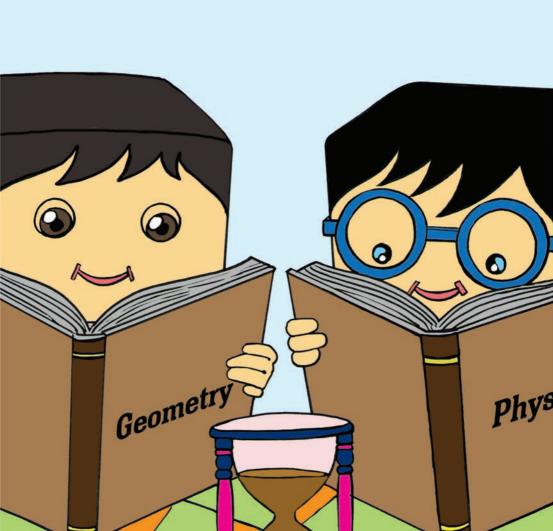
"Please put that down and concentrate on studying," scolded Sam.

Lionel did put the lamp down but stretched out on the bed and yawned.

"You two start studying and I'll watch you," he answered.



Sam tried repeatedly to motivate Lazy Lionel, but failed. Not interested in wasting any more time, he and Percy began to study. They asked questions and tested each other using a sand-timer until it was time for a break.



Samuel and Percy noticed that Lionel had fallen asleep.

"I'll wake him up while you get us a cold drink," said Percy.

"Good idea!" agreed Samuel and off he went.



Lionel woke up, stretching and looking disorientated. Without thinking, he swung his arms side to side and knocked over the lava lamp...

CRRAASH!!!

It smashed into a million pieces as it hit the floor and the liquid from the lamp spilled out everywhere.



"Aarrgghh! My notes!" cried Samuel. He scrambled quickly to retrieve them and Percy joined him, but it was too late. The papers became soggy with the liquid. The ink had run making it difficult to read the notes. Only a couple of sheets were saved.

"Oh! I am so sorry," cried Lionel, genuinely upset.

Samuel was too furious to speak.



"I think it is best you go home Lionel," advised Percy, showing him the door. "Do not worry about the mess; we will take care of it". Lionel bent down to clean the mess but Percy stopped him. He finally left.



Percy and Samuel got together to clean up the mess.

"What will you do now?" he asked. "The exams are day after tomorrow."

"I'll just have to re-write my notes," shrugged Samuel, "What else can I do?"

"Let me help you with the notes," offered Percy.

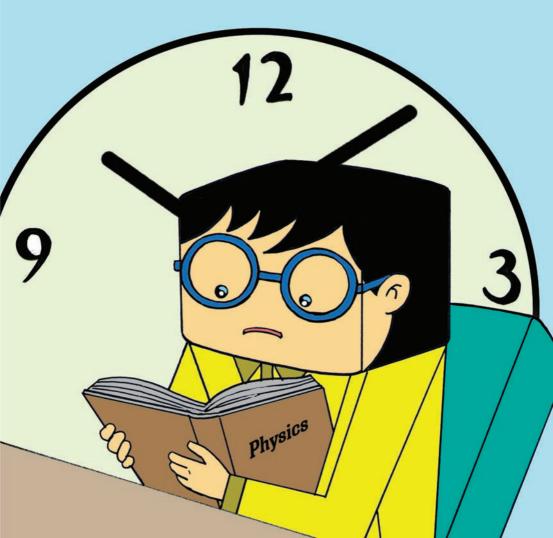
Samuel was grateful, but refused knowing Percy had to go home soon. "No thanks, I will manage. You mustn't be late getting home," he said.



After Percy had gone, Samuel thought hard about what to do next. Being an *analytical* orig, he knew that instead of crying over spilt milk, he must start working again without wasting any time.

He started writing things anew. He drew out a study timetable and worked out how to use his time efficiently.

This little orig studied all day and all night until exam day arrived.



As the clock struck 9.00, the pupils at Gako High school filled the assembly hall to sit for the Science exams. Percy waved Samuel over to sit at the desk next to his.

Samuel bumped into Lionel.

"I'm sorry about the other day," Lionel expressed his grief.

"It's okay," reassured Samuel, "I managed to re-write my notes and have studied non-stop since then. Are you ready for the exam?"

"Kind of," answered Lionel.



They wished each other 'Good Luck' and settled down in their seats. The moment exam started there was pin drop silence in the room as soon as the exams started.

In the evening when Samuel, Percy and Lionel got together in the dining hall, they started chatting about exams.

"I thought the questions were rather easy," claimed Lionel biting into his sandwich.

"Really?" exclaimed Samuel, looking worried. "I didn't."

"I struggled with one question," added Percy. "But overall, I think I did okay."

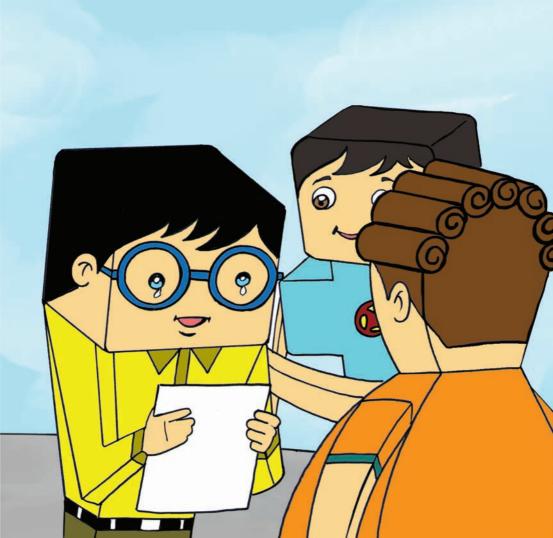
"I think we will all pass!" Percy said positively and everyone smiled.





Exams went on for a whole week. The results were out after two weeks. Each student was presented with an envelope with the report in it.

"Hooray, I've passed all the subjects," rejoiced Percy, opening his envelope first.
Samuel unfolded his paper. He was overwhelmed with his result and tears welled in his eyes.



"Oh dear, I'm so sorry," blurted out Lionel. It's all my fault...

"Oh no...no...I passed too!" interrupted Samuel. "It says I will be awarded for my outstanding achievements."

The little orig was overwhelmed with emotion because only he knew how hard he had worked, and his efforts had paid off.

The other two origs were happy for him and they hugged him.

It was Lionel's turn now. He opened his results and his smile suddenly turned into a frown. "What happened?" asked Percy. But Lionel left without saying anything. It was not until later on that day when Samuel and Percy found out Lionel had failed in three of the five papers.





Lionel wanted to be alone. He felt embarrassed and began to cry. Tears rolling down his cheeks, he recalled the whole encounter.

Being analytical, he realised that he had not put much effort into studying like Samuel who had worked with sincere commitment, even after losing his notes.

Suddenly, it dawned on him exactly what he
needed to do. He wiped his tears, made his way

home and picked up his pen and paper...!









Sincere Samuel



**Noble Noel** 



It's never too late to turn back! Let's see how Samuel's sincerity worked wonders for his friend Lionel.



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