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To young readers.*

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Let us brainstorm before we begin!

Should we have something in excess because we love it?

Should we get something we want by all means?

Write your answers here



Kadyn and Karla lived with their mother in their hive. Mother Bee owned the only Coffee shop and flower shed in the bee neighborhood. Karla helped Mother Bee. The coffee shop was part of the hive in which Mother Bee, Karla and Kadyn lived.



Kadyn was a diligent little bee. When he did his chores well, it always earned him some chocolate treats from his mother. These chocolate treats were Kadyn's favorite. Karla preferred strawberry flavored sweets. There was a sweet shop on their street. Mother Bee gave Kadyn and Karla treats often. Kadyn usually stuffed his mouth with the bars of chocolate, when given for chores well done. Mother Bee always told him to stop eating the chocolate treats in excess but he would not listen to her.



One day, Kadya was disobedient. He wanted to play his favorite game, but Mother Bee asked him to study for his mid terms. Mother Bee hid the chocolate bars in the store on top the hive. She did not want Kadya to treat himself to anymore.



Kadyn could not fly that high yet. He pleaded with Mother Bee, but she remained firm. "I am going to get some groceries. Read some books while I am gone.", she said to Kadyn. "Okay.", Kadyn said.



Kadyn's elder sister was in her room. She was doing a school assignment. She was able to fly to the store on top the hive. Kadyn instantly devised a plan.



"Hey, Karla!", he said when he walked into her room. Karla looked at him, ready to listen to what he had to say.

"Mum said we can study outside today. Can we go to the roof, please?", asked Kady.

"Mum said that?", Karla asked.



"Yes, she did.", Kadyn responded.

"Where is mum?", Karla asked.

"She went to the mall to get some groceries.", Kadyn responded.

"Alright, we can go to the roof. But you have to promise you will study.", Karla said. after thinking about it.

"Okay. I promise, Karla.", Kadyn said.



Mother Bee had only asked Karla to look after the Coffee shop and flower shed while she was away. She did not mention anything about studying outside. Karla could not confirm Kady's story. She was excited too because Mother Bee only permitted them to be outside occasionally.



Kadyn put some of his books in a backpack. When they were ready, Karla held his hand and helped him to the roof. She came back for their bags and study materials.



It was a warm morning. Kadyn and Karla looked for a quiet spot, where they could study. Karla chose the spot close to some rocks. Kadyn chose to stay close to the roof store. He had the store's key hidden in his bag. He did not tell Karla what he was up to.



Whenever Karla was not looking or flew down to attend to a customer, Kadyr sneaked to the store and took some chocolate treats. If Karla saw him moving, she asked why he was not studying. He gave excuses for leaving his spot and returned.



At dusk, Kadyn went to Karla's spot. She was still reading a book. He told her that he did not feel well. She got up to console him.

"Maybe we should return home. Mum will be back soon.", She said.

"Yes, please. My belly aches badly.", Kadyn said, holding his belly.



When they got home, she gave him some honey.

"This will make you feel better. Go get some rest while I will go to fix dinner?", said Karla who thought he might be tired or hungry.

While Karla was eager to do all she could to make him feel better, Kady still kept his visit to the store a secret.



Kadyn went to his room. He laid on the bed.

He was worried.

"Oh, I finished the box of chocolate bars which Mother had hidden.

Oh no! I am in so much pain. I also could not tell Karla what I had done. What will I tell Mum?", he sighed, still lost in thought.



Mother bee returned from the mall. Karla heard her coming in and went to see her.

"Welcome mum! I am fixing dinner. Kadya is quite ill.", Karla said.

"What happened to him? What did you have for lunch?", Mother Bee asked as she took the bag of groceries to the kitchen. She also checked what Karla was making for dinner.

"We did not have lunch today mum. We went to the roof to study. You were right, it was really quiet and refreshing!", Karla said.

"I was?", Mother Bee asked. She did not know what Karla was talking about.



"Yes, mum. You asked us to study outside today.", Karla said.

"I did not, Karla.", Mother Bee said.

"Oh, I see!", Mother Bee said, realizing what Kady had done.

"What is it, mum?", Karla said.

"Let us check on Kady. The food will be ready soon. Thanks, Karla.", Mother Bee said, walking to Kady's room.

"Glad to help. I will meet you there, mum.", Karla replied.



"Kadyn, how are you feeling?", Mother Bee asked.

"I do not feel too good, mum.", he responded.

"Is there something you want to tell me?", Mother Bee asked. Karla walked in.

"Like what, mum?", Kadyn asked.

"Let me give you a hint - the chocolate bars?", Mother Bee said.

Kadyn's eyes were wide with surprise.

"I am sorry, mum.", Kadyn said.

"You ate them all, didn't you?" Mother Bee asked.

"Yes, mum.", Kadyn said.



"What are you talking about?", Karla asked.

"Kadyn wanted the bars of chocolate I hid in the store this morning.", Mother Bee explained.

Karla was surprised. She just realized Kadyn had tricked her.

"If you wanted some chocolate bars, you could have just asked, you know. I was worried you were ill. I need to check the food. I hope you feel better, Kadyn.", she said and returned to the kitchen.



*Mother Bee shook her head and said,
"I hope you have learned your lesson Kady. Do not do things in excess."*



Kadyn felt better after a while. But he never did things in excess again. He was not going to forget that experience in a hurry.

The end

Questions

What will you do when you realize that you have been tricked? How will you feel?

Should we deceive people to get what we want?

What did you learn from Kadyn?

Answers

Shrewd Kadyn

New words

1. Ache: Unpleasant pain that lasts for some time.
2. Chore: Regular jobs such as keeping the environment (house, lawn) clean.
3. Devise: Intelligently planning something.
4. Diligent: Careful and hardworking.
5. Earn: To receive something you deserve.
6. Grocery: Food bought in stores.
7. Instantly: Immediately .
8. Mall: A large building that has a lot of stores (shops and restaurants).
9. Naughty: Not doing as one is told.
10. Promise: To tell someone that you will do something, so they believe you will.
11. Secret: A piece of information that one person or few people know that others do not.
12. Sneak: To go somewhere secretly.
13. Spot: A place.
14. Study: To learn about a subject.
15. Stuff: To eat a lot.
16. Treat: An item that is enjoyed.
17. Worry: To think about problems that make you unhappy.



About the book

Our focus is on one hive in this bee neighbourhood because there is always something happening in Kady's hive. Kady is a thrilling character like any of us. He always has something up his sleeves. It can be a little mischief or a great deal of awesomeness.

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