

SILENT RESPONSE

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There was a boy named Arjun. He was not very good at studies because he spent all his time playing. There were four more boys in his class. They were very rich and good at studies too.

Arjun was not getting good marks in exams. His classmates started teasing him about his marks, “Arjun is not getting good marks in exams”.

One day, Arjun was very upset with his friends’ behaviour. His mother asked, “Arjun, what happened?” Then Arjun started crying and replied, “Mom, my friends tease me for not being good at studies and for not having costly toys like them.” Then Arjun’s mother asked, “How will you answer them?” Arjun told her “Now, I will tease them, so they will also feel bad.” His mother smiled and asked Arjun, “Then what will be the difference between you and all those boys?” Arjun immediately understood what his mother wanted to tell him and realized his thought was wrong. His mother said, “If you really want to tease them or defeat them, then study regularly and be determined to get good results in the final exams.”

He studied well with full dedication. Now, he was confident that he would do well in the exams. The final exam results came and Arjun gained first place in the class and he was very happy. In this way, Arjun gave a silent response to his friends and the message was that we should not think that anybody is smaller than us.

This story is about the value of self-confidence and dedication. If we are determined, self-confident and dedicate ourselves towards achieving something, then we surely can achieve that and succeed in life.

Values: *Determination Dedication*