

## My pocket money

My pocket money depends on dad's mood, he often gives me 5 dinars a week but when I don't get good marks, it decreases but most of my friends get much more. Dad should know that I'm a teenager and what is given doesn't fill my necessities. Of course, when he goes to the supermarket, he is always able to find the money to buy everything at the supermarket, but can't find the 5 dinars to pay me and when he gives me the money, I have then to listen to a few stories like "When I was your age". Stories about when he was my age, he used to keep 1 dinars for 3 years. When I ask for more, he says you have to help your mom with the housework, But he knows how much homework we're given at school. And it's mom's job not mine, any help?????

By : Ramy Melliti

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I'm a fourteen-year-old school boy. I have nothing but problems I'm not in good terms with my parents because they don't give me enough pocket money. Even when I ask them for some more they always say "money doesn't grow on trees". I have tried to discuss our problem but we always end up fighting. I always feel embarrassed when I go out with my friends because all of them get much more than me. They don't understand that what I get is not enough even when I get better results and do well at school. I'm fed up with life and I always feel frustrated. The less money they give the more dog-headed I become. All I want is to have more allowance.

What should I do? It would be grateful if you help me.



By : Iheb Bouzayen

## Family relationships

I'm lucky to be born in such happy family. My mother is a lovely person. She is never too busy to care. She always encourages me when I need help and comforts me when I'm in trouble. However, she sometimes drives me crazy because she is obsessed with marks and not satisfied with my work. My father is comprehensive he never lets me down, he often gives me helpful advice and shows me how to behave in society. But my dad is sometimes authoritarian especially when he deprives me of my phone. thanks to my parents wonderful union both my sister and I are now easy-going teenagers able to think wisely and take decisions. "Family is where life begins and love never ends"

all in all I think having a strong family makes you deal with life better.

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**Advantages**

**Key**

Pocket money  
their attitudes towards money from home.

Disadvantages, generally, children learn

giving pocket money, creates the opportunity to teach them about spending thoughtfully, saving and even the consequences of squandering it or giving money away. It gives the children the responsibility and makes them experienced and helps them to begin learning about money managements. Pocket money also helps teach children about having to make choices saving up and waiting for things they want.

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however, the big amount of pocket money given to the child, may not explain to him the true value of money. It may make him addicted to buying useless things. Also, it can be a harm, that the child doesn't know to use, he may buy cigarettes, or glue to sniff.

besides, the kid may be bullied from others if he carries a huge amount of money with him.

All in all, the solution to have a perfect child, let him make some mistakes like spending all his savings, after that , he will know the importance of the money in our lives, and he will spend it wisely and smartly.

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**School violence** We must stop violence at school

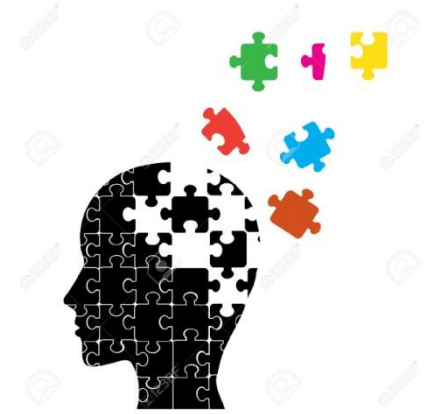
you mustn't be victims anymore!

each of you has right to have a normal school life : without bullying, every pupil should feel safe and not frightened in our school.

don't be scared and speak it loud, lots of children are getting bullied in schools which causes less self-confidence and many kids are lost because of school violence, they hate school they are scared and can't talk and you are not going to be one of them. school violence physically and mentally should stop from today if any one tries to bully someone, he will be punished strictly, we are all humans, we are all brothers and sisters and we have to love each other to build a successful society full of love and forgiveness not hate. Violence should be avoided, using it will not fix problems, it will make it worse, we just have to speak gently and politely. Respect each other and be honest, this is your right and you have to defend it no one will be a victim anymore.

**By : Shaima Jalel**

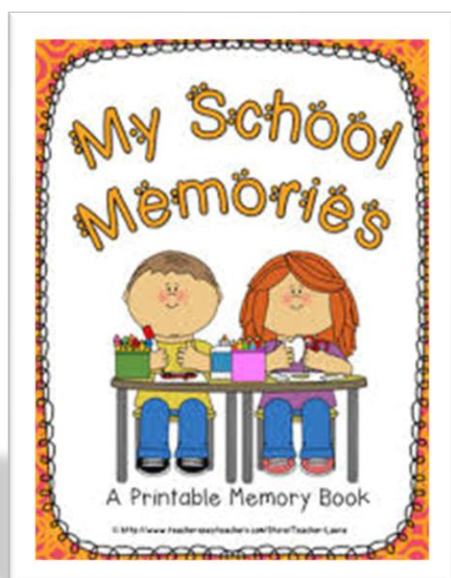




## School memories

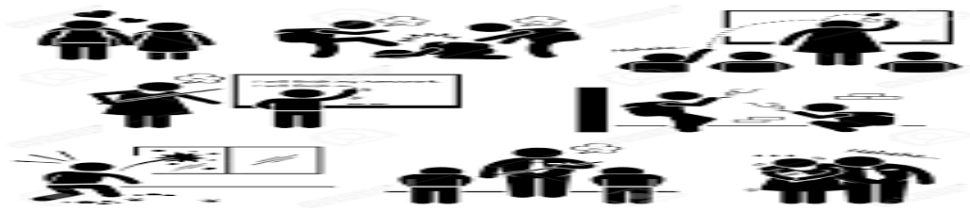
I'm feeling all nostalgic about my primary school, I have a lot of memories there. It's very hard to pick just one but the most memorable one was my first oral test .It was the scariest thing about primary school, I was very shy and the thought of standing in front of the whole class talking absolutely terrified me and I also remember that I couldn't answer the question that the teacher asked it took me like fifteen minutes to be courageous enough to answer. Everybody was a lot of pressure for me to handle but hopefully the teacher was understanding and I didn't fail the test.

Amazing that I can still remember such funny memories .Primary school will always be my first home where I learned how to be a real person.



By : Eya Hmidi

## How to solve our school problems



It's really awkward to hear that there are many kids going through hard times in their school life, they feel upset and lonely when their classmates tease them and tell them how weird they are.

But there isn't a smoke without fire, many reasons contribute to the violence we witness in our school. the lack of paternal supervision, we have both parents on work and the child is left To himself and depend on other kids. Imagine children teaching others how to behave! Besides, children become tempted by watching violence on TV or on Net and due to all this, children become lost and couldn't talk and react towards anything . So we must stop all this! No one can be the victim anymore! It's the time to teach pupils how to confront their problems, and how to be patient and courageous. Besides, we must organize campaigns about how to solve problems at school, and put rules and restrictions about misbehavior for example, pupils mustn't resort to violence to protect themselves or to have fun. Pupils should remember that everyone has the right to live a quiet school life, and they should be safe at school. Besides, students and school principals must respect each other and not tolerate aggressive behavior.

all in all, if students and school principals follow my advice they'll deal with each other away from conflicts.

**By : yasmine Sallaouti**

## Environmental problems



The earth is our responsibility. It's important to take care of where we live. Nowadays, pollution is a major problem of our times. The sea provides water which becomes rain and the rain gives us our water to drink.

But we pollute the sea and the water becomes poisonous. In a few years we are not going to have much water to drink. we have air pollution because of the smoke made by cars and factories. It has led to the destruction of the ozone layer and the global warming. Noise pollution is also getting worse because of the road works and traffic in our streets. Other environmental problems have been caused by a too rapid use of our natural resources. Forests help our planet to breathe. they use the carbon dioxide w produce and make the oxygen we need. But we cut them all down and the earth can't breathe very well.

Also, they forget that trees protect the crops and shelter the animals. The situation is particularly serious.

The earth creatures will have unpredictable ecological consequences. As the cause of so much damage man should try to put matters right, if it is not already too late. But, some people are trying to help the situation in different ways. To sum up, everyone must assume the responsibility of keeping our planet clean and safe. so act before it's too late.



# Environment

## Dangers and effects

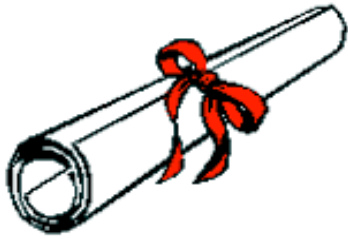


the environment is everything that surrounds us: plants, animals, buildings, air ... everything that affect us in anyway. And man is a part of the environment and has done more to upset the balance of nature during his short spam on earth than any other creatures.

nowadays, air is getting more and more poisoned by factory fumes and cars' smoke, Furthermore, the situation becomes worse and worse because of man's greed and ignorance, global warming , ozone depletion and acid rain. Domestic and industrial waste is causing a great damage to the earth. The situation is particularly serious in industrialized and overpopulated regions : people are getting dirtier than before, they throw rubbish wherever they want, they don't even use bins or bags. Man has also damaged sea life, we can start with oil tankers which sink in seas and oceans. They cause great harm to the marine world. Besides, boats travel the sea bottom and tear up the sea plants which provides oxygen and shelters.

The situation is getting out of our hands, time is running out. And we are all responsible for changing our polluted world into a better place that's why we must make an effort and find a practical solution to such environmental problems.





Hello, I am writing this letter to ask for some solutions to quit this stinking habit. Yeah, I am talking about smoking. I picked up this addiction in high school, I wanted to look cool like my friends and have a lot of lover girls and be important. But look at what happened to me! Now, I can't do all the stuff I used to. I used to go out with friends , swim on teams, run and play. Yet now, I can't do anything without feeling tired . Also, I have a very bad breath which make my friends run away.

My clothes have a nasty smell. I always feel exhausted, I don't have friends, girl friends or anybody to talk to.

I need help because I feel miserable!!!





Hi friends! I'm Josh and I'm 16 years old . the reason of this letter is that I can't quit smoking when I wanted to. I picked up this deadly habit from my dad. I just wanted to be like him because he really looked cool and glamorous when he took his capturing cigarette. I know that this filthy habit damages me and also kills me but it is difficult to rid myself of this addiction.

At the beginning, I thought that I can be famous at our school but now, I feel miserable! I can't walk or swim like I used to . I feel exhausted of my nasty smell. I get out of breath easily and I lost my energy which makes me older than my age and lets girls run away. I really need your help to give up my stinking addiction.



### Homework benefits

I know that you are very busy and that you don't like homework. But I am sorry to tell you that I completely disagree with you. In general, students are not excited about the homework. However, I know very well that children need time to relax and take their mind off work. But homework is not boring and is not a waste of time, homework shows the students the important life lessons, you have to know that there are benefits of not only doing homework because it teaches students about time management and how to solve problem. Self-study gives pupils and others chance to review the class material. On the other hand it gives parents a chance to see what their child is learning in school. Doing homework , will prepare students for the big end tests. It also provides students with the opportunity to practice at what it takes to be successful in school. Like they say : practice makes perfect. So I advise you not to be lazy and do all The homework that you are given,. Make sure it will help you understand the lessons and be a smart and bright student to make your teachers and parents proud of you.



## Internet shopping

Since the development of the internet, many things that were hard to get or to do, like information or communication with distant friends have become so simple and easily obtained just by using a computer. Among the many advantages of the internet gives us is online shopping, an activity that many have become used to. It allows people to examine many products without learning their how and also to compare the prices of as many shops as they want. Using internet shopping you will see how easily and quickly you buy the things you need saving a lot of time and trouble. Despite the success of purchasing through online ..... shopping stores, there are still some disadvantages that most complain about. If you are one of those shopping who want to touch, see and test the product personally online shopping, you are not able to do so, it also requires patience to wait for the item to arrive at your door step about step about 2 to 3 days or ever longer. All in all, internet shopping is continuously becoming more improving every single day.

## Holiday

The trip in London was so smooth and it was and it was fabulous to travel by air and fly effortlessly over mountains and deep valleys. first, I was busy preparing for the trip of a life time. I remember wherever I stepped on the plane. the flight attendant did her best to make me feel comfortable. She was hospitable, I sat at the window which offered me a breathtaking view of the world. You can't believe what's an extraordinary experience to travel far above the clouds.

I guess nothing can match the plane for speed and comfort. I arrived to London fresh and unscrambled. It's a great place to go on holidays . It has got many wonders and a lot of tourist attractions. I went sightseeing and enjoyed visiting many interesting places. I was really excited, I visited the fascinating Clock Big Ben. I also visited the famous bridge over the rivers Thames. Buckingham Palace, the residence of the queen is undoubtedly one of the most attractive building in London. Not far ,there is Nelson's column in Trafalgar Square, It is tall with a status of Lord Nelson on top of it .Going on vacation let me recharge my batteries by disconnecting me from my regular life. It's a very good stress removal. when I came back I felt animated and happy to be back in my day to do routine.

Happy Holidays!



## Smoking : ( Complaint)

### Daddy

Hi, the reason for sending this letter is that you don't want to quit this stinking habit which is smoking. What a blessing it is to have you as a father!

But I hate you when you smoke because that will most certainly damage you if not kill you. It can shorten your future life by 10 years this is why you need to fear you future life.

Why you are still lighting up? you really anger me!!!!

smoking is a hard habit to break because it is highly addictive and is difficult to rid yourself of this deadly addiction because the body and mind become quickly used to nicotine . Cigarette contains a lot of different chemical substances that are hazardous to your health because they destroy the body's immunity system. Many diseases are caused by tobacco : it attacks the respiratory apparatus and the nervous system.

It also affects your eyes and skin, if you look at yourself in a mirror you will see a man getting old before his time. Besides, the amount of money you spend on cigarettes is enough to make anyone quit. Tobacco makes troubles as pollution horribly affects our own home and the air we breathe.

So I want to help you with some suggestions to give up this stinging habit :

firstly, you must get rid of your ashtrays.

secondary, you should try to avoid situations that you associate while smoking and finally take walks and ride a bike.

Dad, keep trying because I don't want to leave you soon.

love, from your daughter Tassnim



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