

Sample Narrative #8

Title: The Playground Lesson

Recess is usually my best time of the day, unless Mark was out there with us. He was never short of a plan to make us miserable. One afternoon at recess, my friends and I were playing on the monkey bars. Sara was swinging across the bars joyfully, laughing as she moved forward and backward. Suddenly, Mark appeared. Mark ran up behind her and pushed her. Sara lost her grip and fell to the ground.

Sara started to cry as she held her knees. She looked hurt and very upset. Without even faking a sorry, Mark climbed onto the monkey bars and started playing like nothing happened. Sara sat on the ground crying while some of us tried to comfort her.

As Mark swung wildly on the bar, his hands slipped, and he fell off the monkey bars. He landed hard on the ground, hitting his bum, elbow and then his head. Immediately he started to bawl. This time, a teacher saw what happened and came running over. Ms. Sam looked at us, maybe wondering why we did not attempt to help Mark.

Ms. Sam rushed to Mark and called for help. Later, we found out that Mark had broken his hand in the fall. Sara was okay, but she was still shaken. Mark had to go to the hospital and also got in trouble for pushing Sara in the first place. For Mark, it was instant payback.

That day, everyone learned an important lesson. Being mean can cause people to get hurt, including yourself. Recess was not the same after that, but we all learned to be kinder and more careful.

