



THE OBEDIENT BOY





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obedience is better than sacrifice. When you are obedient, you will get a reward. When you are obedient, people would respect you. You would never regret it, but when you are disobedient, you will regret, people would not pay attention to you.

That reminds me of a boy. The name of this boy was Dogba. Dogba was very disobedient. Everybody was fed up with Dogba's mischievous acts.

One day Dogba woke up. He went to brush his teeth and took a bath. When he was about to go out his mother called him, "Dogba" she called.

He answered, "Yes mum"

He saw his mum holding a plate of melon to go and grind. The mother told him to go and grind the melon. Dogba collected it but refused to go. When he got outside he saw one of his friends holding a bucket of pepper to go and grind. He dropped his own plate of melon and went to play football with his friends.

Later in the afternoon when his mother came out, she saw the melon at the front of the door ungrained. She was very angry. When she got to where he was playing, she dragged him by his ear and brought him home.

There was another boy in this village. His name was Ola. Ola was a very obedient boy. Everybody in the village liked Ola. Ola was Dogba's best friend. Ola usually told his friend to be obedient.





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One day, Dogba's father's friend came to visit them. He asked someone to assist him to carry his load. Dogba's father now saw Dogba and Ola coming into the house so he told them to assist his friend to carry his load. Dogba gave an excuse and ran away. Ola assisted him and Dogba's father's friend gave Ola fifty naira, Ola thanked him and joyfully went to meet his friend and told him what had happened. Dogba was also a bit happy because he knew Ola was going to share the money with him too. They went to Ola's house to share the money.

One day, they were playing when Ola's father told Ola to help him get a sachet of water from the opposite shop. Dogba said to his friend,

"Why do you like to do what people always ask you to do, instead of just giving them an excuse"

"I can never do that" Ola replied.

Dogba was a bit sad, but he would not give up.

The next morning, Ola came to ask for his friend. When he got inside, he saw Dogba's mother preparing food. He greeted her and asked for Dogba. She told him that Dogba was still taking his bath. After ten minutes of waiting, he saw his friend coming out. They greeted each other. When they were about to go out and play, Dogba's mother called him to help her go and fetch water. As usual, he gave an excuse and ran away. Dogba's mother then pleaded with Ola to help her to fetch the water.

When Ola got to the stream he saw a shining object in the water. When he picked it, he discovered that it was gold! He was very happy.

He went to drop the bucket of water with Dogba's mother and headed home. He told his friend and his parents what happened; everybody praised Ola for being an obedient boy. Later his parents went to sell it in the city and the family became very rich.

Dogba regretted he was disobedient.

As you have seen, if Dogba had obeyed, he could have been the one to get the gold. He always gave irrelevant excuses whenever he was sent on errands. Ola was obedient right from the beginning and got the gold and now they are very rich



MORAL OF THE STORY:

OBEDIENCE BRINGS BLESSINGS AND REWARDS,
WHILE DISOBEDIENCE LEADS TO REGRET.

TAKEAWAY FROM THE STORY

TAKEAWAY FOR CLASS 1,2,3

Giving excuses can make you miss good opportunities.

TAKEAWAY FOR CLASS 4,5,6

Obedience builds respect and trust in the community.

TAKEAWAY FOR CLASS 7,8,9

Obedience reflects personal discipline and responsibility.



3 FUN FACTS :

1. Dogba's name sounds playful but he was always up to mischief!
2. Ola didn't go looking for treasure—his kindness brought it to him.
3. A simple act like fetching water changed an entire family's life.



QUIZ TIME!

QUIZ FOR CLASS 1,2,3

1. What was Dogba asked to grind?
2. Who found the gold?
3. Was Dogba an obedient boy?

QUIZ FOR CLASS 4,5,6

1. Why did Dogba miss out on finding the gold?
2. What did Ola receive when he helped Dogba's father's friend?
3. What lesson did Dogba learn in the end?

QUIZ FOR CLASS 7,8,9

1. How did Ola's consistent obedience impact his family?
2. What character trait best describes Ola?
3. How does the story highlight long-term effects of obedience and disobedience?





THANKS FOR READING!

THE END!

