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Finally, Simon arrived at school, and the teacher yelled at him for being late. “If I had arrived early, the teacher wouldn’t be angry with me,” Simon thought sadly.

“Alright class,” said the teacher. “Put away your books. It’s time for the test.”

Simon panicked. “I didn’t know we had a test!” he said.

“I told you about the test yesterday,” said the teacher. “But you weren’t listening. If you had listened to me, then you would be ready for the test.”

Simon took the test, but because he hadn’t studied, he didn’t know any of the questions. He didn’t get any questions right. “If I had studied, then I would know the answers,” Simon thought sadly.

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When he got home, his mother asked him, "How was school?"

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