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Choices



Decision-making is a process that involves several steps:

- Identify problem
- Gather information
- Find alternatives/other possibilities
- Evaluate alternatives
- Decide & implement
- Follow up

The story of the Prodigal Son relates an example of poor and good decision making. The following poor decisions were made by the son:

- a) He left the comforts of home.
- b) He asked for his inheritance before time.
- c) He spent his money foolishly.

In the end, the Prodigal Son decided to return to his father and to beg for forgiveness.

Individuals should evaluate decisions they make on a daily basis. People who make good decisions enjoy the benefits while those who make bad ones tend to regret them. It is very important to think about the decisions we make.

Read the notes above and watch the story of the prodigal son. Then answer the questions below correctly.

1. Write TWO steps involved in the process of decision making.

2. Why is it important to think carefully about the decisions we make?

3. Which statement is **NOT** true?

- (a) The prodigal son wanted to be forgiven.
- (b) He demanded to be called a son again.
- (c) He wanted to be a servant at his father's house.

4. Which animal did the prodigal son take care of?

pigs cows goats sheep

5. Number the sentences 1, 2, 3 and 4 to put the story events in the correct order.

_____ The younger son asked for his share of the inheritance/estate.

_____ The father sprinted across the field.

_____ The older son was angry.

_____ The younger son took a job feeding pigs.

6. Which of the following was **NOT** given to the younger son when he came home.

- (a) money

- (b) robe
- (c) ring
- (d) sandals

7. Why was the older son angry when his little brother came home?

8. What happened to the younger son's friends when his money was all gone?
