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Two Dilemmas

Jack really wanted a drum set so that he could join his friends' band. He told Grandpa Eddy this, and Grandpa Eddy made him a deal. Grandpa Eddy had an old stone wall that he was going to have repaired. The workers were coming Saturday at noon, and Grandpa Eddy needed someone to move a pile of rocks from across the field to the broken wall. It would probably take Jack a whole day. Jack agreed to move them. Grandpa Eddy, in return, would buy Jack a drum set.

Unfortunately, Jack forgot about the rocks until Saturday morning. He woke up at 9 a.m., and it hit him. He wouldn't have enough time to move the stones. That would mean no drums and no band. Also, Grandpa Eddy would be furious if the rocks weren't ready for the workers. What could Jack do? He didn't have money to hire any help, and his best friends would all be at wrestling practice right now. He decided to go for a quick walk, which always helped him think.

He ran into his friend Carlos, who should have been at wrestling. Carlos explained that it was a weightlifting day for the team, but the weight room was flooded. A pipe in the ceiling had burst. Coach was furious that they wouldn't get their weightlifting in, but he had to let everyone leave. Carlos said that most of the wrestlers were back at school waiting for their rides until noon. That was when things were supposed to wrap up.

A light bulb went off in Jack's head. He raced to school. He found Coach and told him that he knew of a huge pile of rocks that needed to be moved. Thrilled, Coach gathered his wrestlers, and they all jogged over to Grandpa Eddy's field.

1. What deal did Jack make with Grandpa Eddy?

2. How did the wrestling dilemma benefit Jack?

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