

**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT  
PRIMARY SECTION  
STD III  
STORY NO. 7**

**NEVER GIVE UP**

One day a group of frogs was travelling through the woods. Two of them fell into a deep pit. When the other frogs crowded around the pit and saw how deep it was, they told the two frogs that there was no hope left for them.

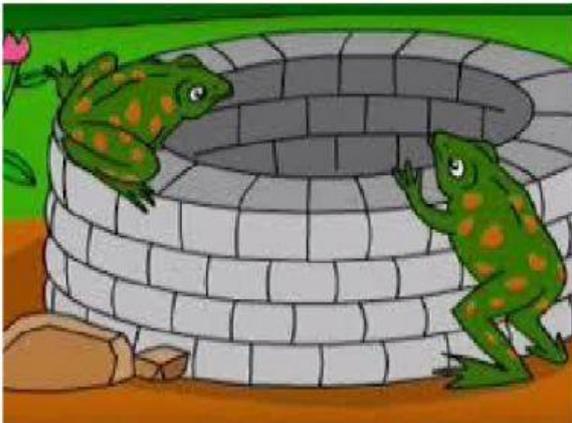
However, the two frogs decided to ignore what the others were saying. They proceeded to try and jump out of the pit. Despite their efforts, the group of frogs at the top of the pit were still saying, "Just give up! You would never make it out."

Eventually, one of the frogs took heed to what the others were saying and he gave up, falling to his death. The other frog continued to jump so hard as he could and said to himself, "I will not give up, let me keep trying!"

Again, the crowd of frogs yelled at him, "Stop jumping and just give up!"

He jumped even harder and finally made it out. When he got out, the other frogs asked him, "Did you not hear us?" The frog explained to them that he was deaf. He thought they were encouraging him the entire time.

**Moral: Keep trying and never give up!**



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**CONTROL YOUR ANGER**

There was once a young boy named Tom who had problem controlling his temper. When he became angry, he would just say anything that came to his mind and hurt people. One day his father decided to teach him a lesson. He gave him a bag of nails and hammer and said, "Every time you get angry, hammer one nail in the fence". At the end of the week, Tom had hammered so many nails that he had emptied half the bag. Over the weeks, the number of nails he hammered into the fence reduced and gradually his temper was much in control. Then came a day when he didn't lose his temper at all. His father asked him to remove one nail each day that he manages not to lose his temper.

Finally, on the day Tom was removing the last nail, his father said, "You have done well Tom. But do you see the holes in the fence? It is never going to be the same even after repainting. Likewise, when you say mean things in anger, you will leave a scar in the person's mind as the nails did to the fence."

Tom was ashamed of himself. He realised his mistake and from that day onwards he learned to control his anger.

**Moral: Anger is a dangerous weapon; the wound heals but the scar remains.**

