“Do it today, during Mathematics lesson!”

I gulped. It was the first day of school and the first lesson was Mathematics. I knew I had to do it no matter what. If only I had not promised Jerry and Justin that I would do whatever they dared me to.

After the morning assembly, we quickly headed to our class and settled down. Our new Mathematics teacher came in. She was rather short and wore brown, baggy clothes.

“Just look at her! She looks like a lunch bag!” I whispered to Jerry who was sitting next to me.

We tried hard to stifle our giggles. Luckily she did not notice us.

“Hello class, I am your new Mathematics teacher, Mrs Sim and I will be teaching you till the end of the year.”

Immediately the whole class stood and said, “Good morning Mrs Sim.”

“Alright, we will start a new topic today. Please take out your text books.”

While Mrs Sim turned her back to the class, I took out a piece of paper and quickly folded it into an aeroplane. I turned to Jerry and Justin and winked at them. I was going to do what they dared me to. I aimed the paper plane, and threw.

It hit the back of Mrs Sim’s head.

She turned backed frowning, and scanned the classroom. When her eyes fell upon me, I stuck out my tongue and made funny faces at her. Instead of laughing, the pupils were all too shocked to respond. Even Justin and Jerry were dead silent. Mrs Sim started turning red. Little did I know, she was not as kind as she seemed.
She walked to my desk and beckoned me to follow her and I followed out of reflex. She told the monitress to keep the class quiet. Then she dragged me to the principal’s office. “Oh no! I should not have done that!”

Once the principal and I were alone, I blurted out what happened. I told him about the dare, and how I made funny faces at Mrs Sim. The principal was kind enough to just let me off with a warning on the condition that I apologised to Mrs Sim. I thanked him for his kindness and was told to go back to class. I went up to Mrs Sim and apologised profusely. She forgave me even though I had been disrespectful to her.

Nowadays, I am no longer friends with Jimmy and Justin. I was also never rude to teachers anymore.

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