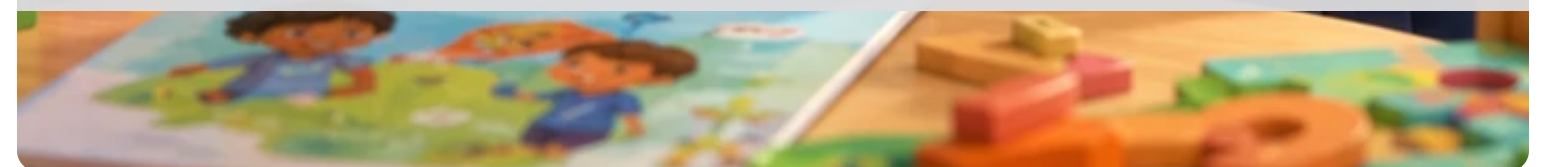




## The Choices We Make in Room 4B

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Miss Nora stands at the front of Room 4B with a bright smile, welcoming her eager students as the morning sun streams through the large windows. Aaisha and Inshaa neatly hang up their backpacks on their designated hooks, ready and excited for a wonderful day of learning.



During quiet reading time, Aaliya and Iyaa sit together on the cozy colorful rug, whispering loudly and distracting their classmates. Miss Nora gently steps in and asks them to spend five minutes helping organize the reading corner bookshelves, turning their distraction into a helpful task that restores focus.



When it is time for science, Izee and Layaaly eagerly raise their hands and wait patiently to be called on before sharing their ideas. Miss Nora praises their excellent manners, awarding their table a glittering golden star on the achievement chart.



As the class begins a delicate art project, Aikaa and Leem start racing around the room, accidentally spilling glitter and paint across the floor. To help them understand the impact of their energy, Miss Nora assigns them the special duty of being the cleanup captains for the afternoon.



Neesh and Shaarath work beautifully as a team, sharing their colored pencils and helping each other draw a magnificent castle. Their cooperative behavior inspires the surrounding students to share their supplies and collaborate peacefully.



During the math game, Eesha gets frustrated by a tough problem and throws her blocks onto the floor in anger. Miss Nora sits down with her, guiding her to take deep breaths, and together they pick up the blocks so Eesha can practice patience and try again.



While the teacher is writing on the whiteboard, Shaayan and Ely begin passing secret notes and giggling, missing out on the important instructions. Miss Nora asks them to step up to the board and co-teach the next simple step of the problem to the class, turning their distraction into active participation.



Shahada notices that a classmate has dropped their lunchbox and dropped their crackers all over the walkway. Without being asked, she kindly kneels down to help them gather their things, earning a warm smile and a big thank-you from her grateful peer.



At the end of the day, Miss Nora gathers everyone in a circle to reflect on the choices they made and how positive consequences helped them grow. The students realize that following the rules makes their classroom a happier, safer place for everyone to learn.



As the bell rings, the children proudly wave goodbye, filled with a sense of achievement and joy. They leave Room 4B not just as better students, but as kinder friends who are ready to do good in the world.