

AMY'S DESPAIR

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The sun was shining,

the birds were singing. The humanity moved to Mars because the earth was a place which had been hard to live after the climate changes. At the beginning, it was hard to get used to living in this planet because of the landform of the planet and the differences between Earth and Mars. Insufficient number of structures were making this planet inhabitable for humanity but they didn't have any choice but to continue their civilization under these circumstances. That's why, they slowly got used to living in Mars. In those times, there was a child named Amy. She was so helpful that everyone loved her but she had a problem.

She was missing her previous home and planet Earth.

She knew that she had to accept her new home in Mars but this was quite hard for her as she was only a child who had been affected by the journey between planets. Therefore, she started thinking what to do. An idea came to her mind. If she helped people around her, she would distract herself from thinking about her previous life. After this decision, she began helping her friends and her relatives. The plan was working but she still couldn't be happy.

She was always spending her time for other people but no one realized how sad Amy was except for one child. That child was Jack. Jack was a little bit older than Amy. He changed his school and started the same school with Amy that year. One day while he was wandering around the school, he saw Amy helping her friends in a lonely and sadly manner. Jack wanted to speak with her because he was surprised that no other student was paying attention to her. He had already heard Amy's name during the rollcall and he easily guessed that she was the one making a paper plane. Jack wanted to start a conversation and said "Why do you look as if one of your relatives died? Are you okay?" Amy was surprised because he was the first person she had ever heard this question from. After a few moments later she managed to say "Yes, I am okay. Do you want me to do something?". He didn't expect such an answer. "No, I was curious about you, you look so tired and I think you should have a rest." he replied. She was surprised again and this time she was more curious than before. She said "I am sorry for my reply, I assumed that you will ask for help like other students.". "It doesn't matter." said Jack. While an asteroid was passing above them, they kept talking. "What about walking to the park after school?" he suggested. Firstly, Amy thought about refusing this offer because of her mission of helping others but she couldn't miss this opportunity so she nodded.

After the conversation, Amy couldn't stop thinking about their meeting during classes. It was finally time for their meeting. After they met, they started walking and Jack said "Did you know that you don't have to do those things?". "Yes, I know but I want to do goodness." replied Amy. "While you are doing goodness to others, you are doing badness to yourself. If you want to value other people, you should value yourself first." said Jack. She was shocked and she thought that he was a person she can trust. She said "I didn't think like that but it isn't the only reason. I am missing my previous planet and house, they were very valuable for me so I thought If I do lots of things and distract myself, I won't think about them.". Jack said "I understand. If I were you, I would try to improve my relationships more healthily and prioritize myself more than other people but don't think this is being selfish. They are very different things. Try to forget your old home with spending time with your relatives and friends."

After this meeting, Amy's thoughts changed. She started trying to get used to living in this planet and she started to appreciate herself. She became a very happy child with her new and old friends.