

If Kids Ruled the World

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Age 10

One day, when I woke up, I saw that I was not in my room anymore. I was in a really fancy room filled with many of my parents' expensive things. They were things that I was never allowed to touch. My jeans and my favorite t-shirt were on the foot of the bed. I got dressed quickly and went into the hallway. There I saw a row of many doors. I don't know where those doors led. I kept on walking and got to a very long stairway which stretched out of sight. I started going down the stairs. Those stairs seemed never ending.

When I finally reached the bottom of the stairs, I found a big door which opened to a sunny outdoor place. A big sign at the entryway reads "Kidsville". I soon learned that this was a special place where kids ruled the world. All kids could do whatever they wanted. There was NO school, and NO homework. There was free ice cream, and everybody played all day. The best part of all was that parents did not order the kids around. Instead, the kids ordered the parents around.

It felt wonderful until my friend got sick and there was no doctor to help her. She was so sick she turned green! We both got scared. The next day, there was not a lot of food left, so we ate leftover green beans (it was like eating worms). Kids were trying to drive cars, and everyone had to watch out or they might be hit. No one drove more than 12 feet without crashing. My friend's and my record was three feet! Then the worst thing happened. I broke my X-Box 360 and no kid could fix it. Suddenly, I heard a loud noise from the X-Box. I sat up with a start and realized that the noise came from my alarm clock. My whole adventure had been a dream!

As I was getting dressed, I started to think that it may be better to have parents take charge of some things. For example, it is good to have parents who can fix things and keep us safe. Parents help make sure that what kids eat is nutritious, so kids won't get fat and will be healthy. Parents can also make sure that kids learn in school, so when

kids grow up they will know how to really rule the world.

When I got downstairs, my mom had made my favorite breakfast and had put my homework into my backpack together with a midday snack. I gave her a big squeeze hug.