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New Year's Resolution

by Kelly Hashway

Erica scribbled her third New Year's resolution down on her homework sheet and smiled. "Done!"

"Really? That was quick," her mother said. "Can I hear what your resolution is?"

"I have three," Erica said. She held the paper up and read, "Do my homework right after school, don't wait until the last minute to finish my chores, and get an A in math."

"Wow," her mom said, sounding a little concerned.

"What?" Erica thought she'd done a great job coming up with resolutions. Why wasn't her mom happy?

"You know the point of a resolution is to change something in your life for the better and to stick to it."



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"Then maybe you should find a resolution that is achievable and something you can benefit from."

"Like what?"

"You'll come up with something," her mom said, as she started to fix dinner.

Erica sat at the table, staring at her list of resolutions. She really wanted to try to make these things happen. It would be nice to have more time in the evenings, so doing her

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“What is it?” her mother asked.

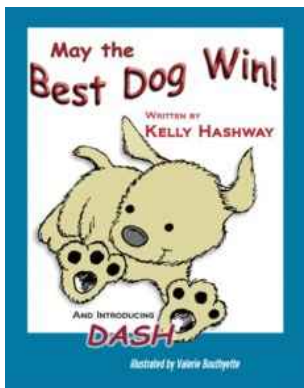
“I’ve got it. In order to do all these things, I need to stick to a schedule. So my New Year’s resolution should be to schedule my time after school so I can do my homework, get my chores done, study for math, and still have time to relax.”

Her mother smiled. “I think coming up with a schedule and sticking to it is a great resolution.”

“Me too,” Erica said, and she sat back down to start planning her schedule for the New Year.



About the Author



Kelly Hashway's picture book, *May the Best Dog Win*, is now available!

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- Why was Erica writing New Year's Resolutions?
 - She likes to write them every year.
 - All of her friends are writing resolutions.
 - She wanted to surprise her mother.
 - It was a homework assignment.
- Which sentence about Erica is probably true?
 - She likes to keep secrets.
 - She doesn't usually do her homework.
 - Math is a tough subject for her.
 - She enjoys doing chores at home.
- Complete the graphic organizer.

Erica's New Year's Resolutions	
When She First Wrote Them	Revised Resolution
a. _____	_____
	
b. _____	_____
c. _____	_____

- Erica's mother said New Years' Resolutions should be achievable. What does the word achievable mean?
 - requiring a lot of thought
 - requires luck
 - reasonable and possible to do
 - nearly impossible

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Read each sentence and choose the best definition for each underlined word.

1. _____ resolution

a. worried

2. _____ concerned

b. household jobs

3. _____

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4. _____

5. _____ chores

e. a choice that is reasonable and possible

6. _____ schedule

f. to spend time learning

7. _____ relax

g. pleased

8. _____ study

h. a list of times when things have to be done

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In the story, "New Year's Resolutions," Erica writes her New Year's Resolutions. When her mother is concerned that her resolutions are not achievable, she suggests to Erica that she come up with one resolution that she can really stick with.

In the space below, write your own New Year's Resolution. Also, explain why you chose the resolution and how it will help you.



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2. Whic



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3. Complete the graphic organizer.

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b. <u>Don't wait until the last minute to finish my chores.</u>	
c. <u>Get an A in math.</u>	

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1. c resolution

a. worried
2. a concerned

b. household jobs
3. g happy

c. a decision to do or not do something
4. e achievable

d. to do something enjoyable
5. b choi
6. h schedule

f. to spend time learning
7. d relax

g. pleased
8. f study

h. a list of times when things have to be done

