



Is homework important?



Jan: Sami, you've been spending so much time on your homework lately. **I think** it's too much.

Sami: Mom, **I understand** it might seem like a lot, but doing homework is really important. **It helps** me learn and understand the subjects better.

Jan: **I just don't get** why you need to bring work home. School should be enough.

Sami: Well, Mom, when **we do** homework, we can practice what we learned in class. **It reinforces** the lessons and **helps** us remember things for a longer time.

Jan: But **you need** time to relax, too. **I don't want** you stressed all the time.

Sami: **I get that**, Mom, and **I make sure I take** breaks. **Homework is not** about stress; **it's** about applying what **we learn**. For example, **I am working** on a science project right now, and **it's fascinating**. **I'm using** what I learned in class to create something cool.

Jan: A science project? **That sounds** interesting, but **isn't it** too much for you?

Sami: No, Mom. **It's challenging**, but it's fun. Plus, **it helps** me develop important skills like problem-solving and creativity. **It's** something **I enjoy** doing.

Jan: **I see** your point, but sometimes **I worry** **you're missing out** on other things.

Sami: **I balance** it, Mom. **I finish** my homework and still have time for my hobbies and spending time with friends. Doing homework teaches me time management, another useful skill for the future.

Jan: **I guess I never thought** about it that way. But what about all the grading? Sometimes teachers take forever to return the assignments.

Sami: **That's true**, but **it's not about** the grades, Mom. **It's about** the process of learning. **I'm also improving** my communication skills by discussing topics with classmates and asking questions when **I don't understand** something.

Jan: Hmm, **I suppose** there's more to it than I thought.

Sami: Exactly, Mom. Homework **is not just about** completing tasks; **it's about** personal growth, understanding the material, and becoming more independent. **It's** an essential part of our education, and **I believe** **it's worthwhile**.

Jan: Well, **you make** a good point, Sami. **I guess I need** to see homework in a new light.

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