



The Three Grounded Deeds

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Has anyone seen a person doing a good deed without being asked? If this is a no, look into Mr. Merritt's and Mrs. Devnew's ninth grade classroom. They took the challenge to do an act of kindness every day for eleven days. Since I was grounded I wasn't able to do a lot, but I found stuff around the house I could do when I couldn't go outside. I started changing the world, or just my house, one grounded deed at a time.

I started out with just doing chores and that's all I thought I would do. Then I met a friend at the grocery store. When they went up to pay, they found out they didn't have enough money. She was so embarrassed and frustrated. I gave her my lunch money so she could pay the last 10 dollars and the Wal-Mart cashier paid the last dollar. Later in the week, I helped her with a project she was stuck on. I also made her little brother some cupcakes for his birthday when they couldn't buy them.



After that, I was out of good deeds to do, so I stayed home and finished the project by helping around the house. I washed the bathroom down, the sink and tub, too. Dad didn't like how I did it either way. I moved on and just did my sister's chores every once in a while. The dishes was where I found most of my deeds because of me being grounded, but it was kind of easy helping Dad and my sister out around the house.



I started doing these 'grounded' deeds not for myself, but to take a small step closer to changing the world. Oh, and a good grade. With the help of my teacher, Mrs. Devnew, it was easier to find out chores to do, also. I thought I would have to skip this project because of me being grounded. So, if you noticed random high school students helping out wherever its needed, its Mr. Merritt's and Mrs. Devnew's ninth grade class. We must've caught the do-gooder fever.