

Cooperation is a simple word that means to obey. If you don't do it, it can mean missing out on going to a friend's house. This is exactly what happened to me last Friday, when I chose NOT to obey. This turned out to be a terrible mistake.

Like I said, it was last Friday. The whole week my mom had been bugging me to clean my room. As I always, I told her I'd do it later, but it seemed as if later never came. I was putting it off, which I deeply regretted when later eventually did come.

During lunch, my friend invited me to her house after school. All we could talk about was how fun it was going to be, and all things we were going to do. Playing Monopoly, making cookies, flirting with the cute boy across the street. I was so excited that I was watching the clock the whole hour, for each and every class. I could hardly wait, because I knew it was going to be a blast. I'm sure my mom would let me; she always does. Or so I thought.

Finally, after all the anticipation, I was at my house packing my bag. I had just finished, when my mom entered the room. She eyed the clothes scattered across the floor, the clutter all over the desk, and my

unmade bed. Then she stared right into my eyes. My heart sank for I knew I wasn't going to house.

After I apologized for disobeying, my mom made call and tell her I couldn't come because I'd forgotten to clean my room. Then she forced me to clean my room for at least half an hour. I wasn't about to talk back though, I'd already gotten myself into enough trouble. I still angry though. I was supposed to be eating cookie dough right now, but instead I was hauling dirty clothes to the laundry room. All I could think about was why I hadn't just cooperated the first time.

Although I was still angry at my mom, I learned that its extremely important to cooperate. If you don't, you'll regret it, especially after you've suffered the consequences. I learned this the hard way, but after it was over, I considered it a gained experience. An experience I'll remember for the rest of my life.