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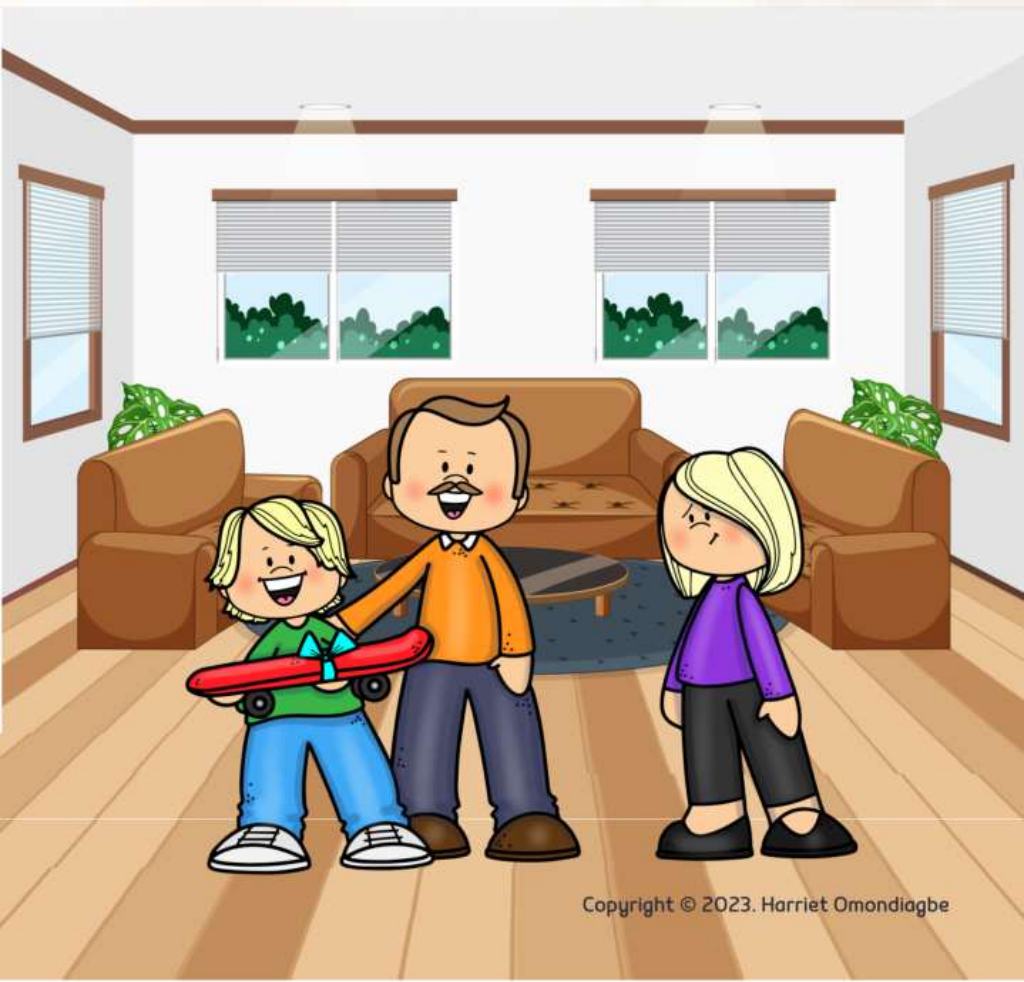
"Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves" (Philippians 2:3).

"Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord" (Colossians 3:20).

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"It was my 9th birthday. Dad bought a new skateboard for me. My old skateboard broke when I had an accident. I was excited about my gift but Mum was a bit worried.

"I will be more careful with my new skateboard", I said to Mum.



I went out to the front of our house to try my skateboard. Mum followed me.

“I just need to make sure you are alright, John. Please, be careful. One step at a time”, she called out.

But I was not listening. I thought to myself: *I don't have to be that careful.*



This grass is not very good for practicing my skateboard skills, I thought to myself.
“Mum, can we please go over to the park? I won’t be long, I promise”.
Mum agreed and we went to the park which was across our house.



I saw some children at the park on their skateboards too.

"I can definitely do better than those kids!", I thought.

After a few minutes on my skateboard, I wanted to do a flip trick to show off my skills to the other kids.

I pushed a bit harder, bent my knees and got ready to...



....c-r-a-s-h! I lost my balance.
I lay on the floor groaning in pain.
Mum rushed to my side and gently
helped me to relax on the ground.
Then, she called a taxi.



Mum carefully checked my arm.
“I think your arm might be badly hurt”,
she said.

*I wish I had been more careful.
I wish I focused on my practice rather
than showing off my skills to those kids.*

When the driver arrived, he took us to
the hospital.



“I’m sorry I wasn’t careful Mum”.

“That’s OK. Let’s focus on getting you to see the doctor”, she replied.

“Can I still practice riding my skateboard?”, I asked, worried that she might say no.

She thought for a while. “You won’t be practicing on your skateboard without your instructor next time”.

“But he doesn’t come often”, I protested.

“I know. We might have to ask him to come more often”.



When we got to the hospital, the doctor checked my arm. Then, she put my arm in a sling.

“You are not badly hurt but will have to rest for a few days to get better”, she explained.

I smiled and said, “thank you”.

I thought of my skateboard and all the fun I could have had at the park.

I can't wait to get out of this arm sling!



About the book.

When John gets a new skateboard for his 9th birthday, he becomes too confident and ignores Mum's plea to be careful. At the park, he wanted to show off his skateboard skills to the kids, but then

Find out how John missed out on what could have been a fun day at the park because of his pride.

The book, *Skateboard Pride*, will help kids to understand that it is better to have a humble attitude, rather than a proud attitude. "A man's pride will bring him low, but the humble in spirit will retain honor" (Proverbs 29:23).

Other books by the author.

1. Dear God, Your love is the best!
2. Jesus loves me and died for me - The true Easter story series, book 1
3. Jesus is alive - The true Easter story series, book 2
4. My emotions and God
5. I can praise God
6. ABCs of nighttime talk with God
7. Not disabled
8. Puppy troubles
9. Looking for Larry

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