

## What Did You Think of "My Homework Ate My Homework"?

**Directions:** Read the fiction story "My Homework Ate My Homework" in the November/December 2009 issue of *Storyworks*. Then, on a separate piece of paper, copy these paragraphs over, filling in the blanks with details from the story and with your own ideas. When you are finished, you will have a well-crafted review of Patrick Jennings's story.

I just read "My Homework Ate My Homework" by Patrick Jennings. The \_\_\_\_\_  
**Choose an adjective to describe the story.**

story is about a girl named \_\_\_\_\_ who has a problem: \_\_\_\_\_. This happened  
**Name the main character. Describe her problem.**

because she \_\_\_\_\_. But rather than tell the truth about her situation and try to find a  
**Explain the cause of her problem.**

solution to her problem, she \_\_\_\_\_. She does this by \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Explain what she does instead. Give an example of her behavior.**

Unfortunately for Zaritza, her mom catches her in the act. Instead of fessing up to the deed, Zaritza  
 tries to blame the whole thing on \_\_\_\_\_. But Mom is smarter than Zaritza thinks she is.  
**Name who she tries to blame.**

She tells Zaritza that \_\_\_\_\_ and that it's important for Zaritza to \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Describe one thing she says. Provide another detail from their talk.**

Then, during their conversation, something extraordinary happens: \_\_\_\_\_, and Zaritza's  
**Describe what happens.**

problem is solved. But, even though she doesn't want to, she still has to \_\_\_\_\_. In the  
**Describe what she has to do.**

end, Zaritza learns an important lesson: \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Explain the lesson she learns.**

Overall, I thought this story was \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_. The situation  
**Give your opinion. Back up your opinion.**

reminded me of something that happened to me: \_\_\_\_\_. If I had to choose whether  
**Connect Zaritza's situation to something in your life.**

to recommend this story to my friends, I \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_.  
**would/would not Back up your opinion.**