

A Harryetta-Story



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Harryetta looks earnestly at her friend Tim. She can see that he is worried and sad. She would like to help him be happier again. Harryetta thinks for a moment, then she has an idea and begins to speak:

„You know what? I heard the other day that children in Nepal have to walk a long way to get to school. Her friend is jolted out of his dark thoughts and looks at her in confusion: „Why are you telling me this?“

She pretends not to have heard the question and simply continues: „Just imagine: when they finally get there, it won't look like our school. The school is a very simple building and there aren't many classrooms. Sometimes there is only one for all the classes. But what I find really

terrible is that the children often don't get breakfast in the morning! Tim shakes his head: „How is that supposed to work? You can't go to school without breakfast! You can't learn if you're hungry.“

She nods in agreement and continues thoughtfully: „But it's still like that there. People are very poor. Parents have to work very hard to send their children to school. In Nepal, you even have to pay for school. But many parents really want their children to go to school and learn to count and write.

Her friend listens intently. Harryetta continues: „Because the people there are so poor. They can't always afford to pay the teachers. That's why the Montessori school helps the parents. They can then pay for the teachers and the school building. Of course,

they depend on donations. It's not like here, where the teachers are paid by the government.

Her friend thinks for a moment and then says, „I would help the children in Nepal right away. But my pocket money wouldn't be enough to pay a teacher.

Harryetta laughs and replies:

„Definitely not. But no one can do it alone. Look, if we're going to help the children and their school in Nepal, it's best if we do it together with others. Believe me, if everyone contributes what they can, then the teachers can be paid and the children can be helped because they can continue to go to school.

Her friend thinks about it and is excited: „That's a great idea. So how do we do it? How do we help the children in Nepal?“

Harryetta has a suggestion, too:
„How about we take what we can give to the children in Nepal and just send it there. And then we tell everyone we know about the school and how we can help. I'm sure there are many people who want to make others happy or help them. I'm sure we'll raise more than our allowance. We could also make a lot of stars and sell them. How happy some of our friends or neighbours will be because they won't have to make them themselves! They'll have a nice gift and the children in Nepal will get even more money. We will then send the donated money and the money from the stars to the school in Nepal. That's right, it's a great Christmas surprise!

Harryetta laughs happily: „Hey Tim, that reminds me of the song from Africa that we always sing together at school:

*Many little people in many
little places,
taking many small steps,
can change the face of the
world,
can only together survive.*

Now Tim grins at her: „Great, that’s what we’ll do! Let’s get started.“ Harryetta laughs happily and Tim joins in.

„Hooray, I did it. Now he’s not sad at all,“ Harryetta thinks to herself. Helping others is a great feeling. It’s hard at first, but when you have an idea and a friend by your side, it’s

easy. And then Harryetta and Tim just start...

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Like the two children in this story, we want to bring at least a little joy and confidence into the world. This is why we are supporting our friends at the Montessori School of Basudev Kafle in Nepal again this year. Poverty and misery prevail there. We hope that our contribution will bring a little joy to the people there, to the children as well as to the adults, and that a smile or two will creep onto the faces of the recipients.*

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