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When Ken goes to school every day, he gets worried he'd meet Uncle Carl on his way. If he meets him while he's starting his antique car, he'll end up trying to start up the engine with Carl. His car doesn't easily start and in pushing it, lots of young men need to take part.



For Uncle Carl, his car was like a treasure he does hold. Sometimes he'd say, me and my car both of us are old. When Uncle Carl gets into the car and holds the steering wheel tight. You feel like he came from a movie that's black and white.



One day Ken heard the mechanic Mark. Saying that the car goes on by a miracle. He doesn't know where the combustion lights get electricity from. And the oil box is rusty and so is the water cooler.



His car reminds me of the first car invented before in France, It had a steam engine and three wheels, what an incredible thing. Then came the German Mr. Benz. with a car that works with fuel. His invention was a revolution of course.



One of the big companies wanted to buy the antique car. But the reply was a big "no" from Uncle Carl. He refused all the money they gave at the end, And he angrily said, "how can I sell a friend?"



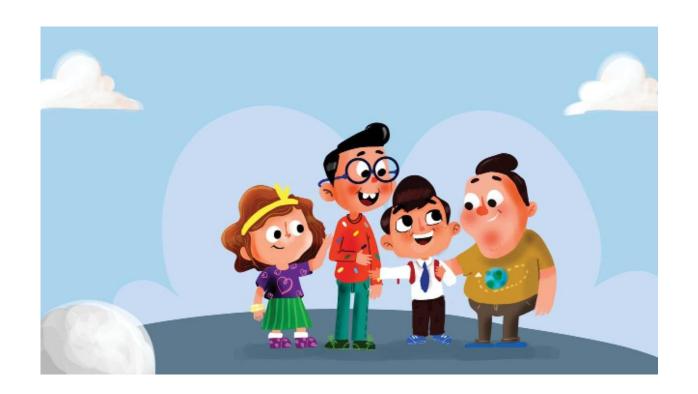
But I'm afraid, Uncle Carl might sell his car now. Because of a financial crisis so...



Ken was so sad when heard the news. And decided he'll help him with all that he can do. He told his father what happened to Carl. He apologized because he can't do anything about his car. They paid lots of money for the new furniture. And couldn't help them for sure.



Then he remembered their wealthy neighbor Mr. Blair. But for the current problem he didn't even care.



He asked his friends who liked the idea and wanted to help. They might do something for Uncle Carl that would keep his car.



The people's contribution was really great. They helped uncle Carl through his crisis and he thanked them for what they did.



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