The Bundle of Sticks

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An old farmer had several sons who argued all day long. One day he called them together and gave each of them a bundle of sticks tied together. "Break it," he said. One by one, each son tried, and none of them could.

Then he untied the bundle and gave each son a single stick. They all snapped them easily.

"You see," said the farmer, "alone you are weak, but together you are strong." The sons understood and stopped fighting.

Moral: United we stand, divided we fall.

Talk About It

1. Why could nobody break the bundle?
2. What did the sons learn?
3. How can your family or class work together better?

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