



Bounce Back

Derrick is 16 years and has been playing football for as long as he can remember. It is something he loves to do, and he is very good at it. Derrick is so good in fact that during the summer between his sophomore and junior years he decides he doesn't need to practice with the team. He doesn't go to the weight room, and he doesn't stick to the recommended diet. So when it came time for practice to begin, he was out of shape and unprepared to succeed. This resulted in Derrick losing his coveted starting position. He is embarrassed and ashamed and thinking of quitting the team.

How does Derrick Bounce Back?

Jamila has been assigned a group project in English class and because she is such a good student, she is given the opportunity to pick her group partners. Jamila decides to bring her three best friends on to help despite knowing that they are not as dedicated to their school work as she is. It turns out that she should've been more careful because while they had a fun time hanging out, none of their group study sessions produced any work, and her partners never turned in their portion of the assignment. Jamila pulled an all-nighter the day before the project was due but ended up getting the first D of her academic career. Jamila is furious at her friends but doesn't want to lose them. She also has to figure out how to get her grade back up.

How does Jamila Bounce Back?

Jackson's mother is raising him and his three siblings on her own. She is a great mother, but financially, she can't keep up with all the current fashion trends. It is the summer before his freshman year in high school, and Jackson doesn't want to be known as the poor kid anymore, so he decides he's going to steal a pair of designer shoes from the mall but is caught and arrested. It is his first offense, so he gets off with community service, but all the teachers at his new school know about his record. Worse than that, his mother is the most disappointed because of the example Jackson set for his younger siblings. How can Jackson save his reputation and change the trajectory he has put himself on?

How does Jackson Bounce Back?

