

Real World Skit

You and two assistants will act out this skit about pride and giving God credit. Bring props to add interest!

Student 1: Yay! I made an A on the spelling test! How did you do?

Student 2: *(looking sad)* Uh. Not so hot.

Student 1: Maybe you should study harder.

Student 2: *(looking annoyed)* Oh, like you, huh?

Student 1: *(looking proud)* Nah. I hardly ever have to study. Spelling just comes naturally to me.

Student 2: Well, you don't have to brag about it. *(frowns and moves off to the side)*

Student 1: Oh, you're just mad because I did better than you. *(sees Student 3)* Hey! How did you do on the spelling test? I got an A.

Student 3: *(walking up to Student 1)* Yeah. Me, too.

Student 1: I bet you didn't score as high as I did.

Student 3: Uh. 95.

Student 1: Hah! 98! I beat you.

Student 3: Well, we both did well—that's great. But we shouldn't brag about it though.

Student 1: Why not? I'm pretty proud of myself. Mrs. Barnes said I should be proud of myself.

Student 3: Yeah, but we can have the wrong kind of pride.

Student 1: What do you mean?

Student 3: We shouldn't take all the credit for what we do.

Student 1: How come? I'm the one who made the grade. I didn't cheat or anything.

Student 3: Oh, I know you didn't. But we can only do things because of God.

Student 1: I don't get what you're saying.

Student 3: It's God who helped us remember what we've learned so we could make good grades on our test. And didn't you say you did a super job in the gymnastics competition last week?

Student 1: Yeah. I sure did—tied for first!

Student 3: Well, God helped you do that, too. He helps us do everything.

Student 1: Huh. I guess you're right. Where did you hear all this?

Student 3: At church.

Student 1: Hmm. What else did they say about this pride thing?

Student 3: Um, let's see. . . . When we're good at things, it's because God made us that way. So we really should thank God for our abilities and for helping us do well.

Student 1: So that's why I shouldn't brag then? Because it's not just me, it's God who helps me?

Student 3: Right. If it weren't for God, we wouldn't even be here.

Student 1: Wow! I never thought about it that way before. I guess we have a lot to give God credit for then.

Student 3: We sure do! And when we give God the credit, it's a good way to tell others about him, too.

Student 1: Hey, I feel kinda bad about bragging a while ago. I think I hurt (Student 2's) feelings. (He/she) didn't get a good grade on the test.

Student 3: Well, maybe we should offer to help (him/her) study or something. We could quiz each other!

Student 1: Yeah! That's a great idea! Hey, *(calling name of Student 2)*. Want to study with us for the next test?

Student 2: *(walking over slowly)* Okay. But only if you promise to stop bragging.

Student 1: *(smiling)* I'm sorry about that. I promise—no more bragging. When we all do well on the next test, I'll thank God instead!