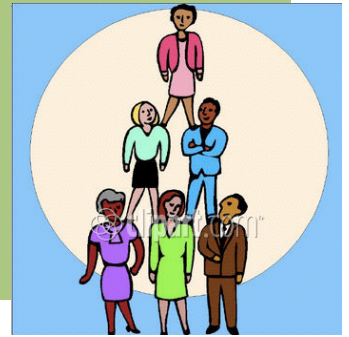


# You were absent for a day; it is not the end of the world:



## How to Survive Being Absent- By Arun Asundi

Being Absent is not a big deal. There are numerous ways to get back on track. Some of those ways are going to your peers, teachers and the homework board.

The first thing you should do if you are absent is to make a checklist of all of the classes that you missed. This will enable you to keep track of which classes you have gotten the work and assignments for and which classes you still need.

If you are absent, you want to get the assignments and notes as fast as you can. If you can, call your classmates and ask them for the assignments. If you can't call anyone, you should ask your classmates for the work in the morning on the day that you get back. Your first option should always be asking your peers. You need to ask them what happened in class and what the assignments were. Always go to several classmates, so if one person forgot to mention something, you can ask someone else. That way, you can get all of the homework and know all about the class.

In the student room, there is a homework board. All of the assignments should be on the homework board. That is one of the easiest ways to get homework. Sometimes however, using the homework board isn't always the most reliable resource. Only one person from the grade writes the assignment so they could have forgotten something.

Never, Never, NEVER in one million years, go to the teachers before you ask other students for the homework. You are just wasting the teacher's time. If you find out from your peers that there is a

test that you missed, you should go to the teachers to schedule a new time for you to take the test. Also, if you missed a project or a big event in class, you will want to go to the teachers and try to find a make-up to catch up.

Once you have gone through all of these steps, you should check in with your teachers one final time to make sure that you have made arrangements for all of the make up lessons. Once you have done that, it will be easy to get back to a normal schedule.

Missing days of school is not bad unless they are very crucial days like exams. Even then, it is not too horrible. You will just need to find a time to do everything.

## BONUS HINT

You should set a limit for yourself so you don't put off the extra work that you need to do. Usually, it works if you use the same number of days to catch up, as you were absent.

Example: If you are gone for two days, you should take two days to get back up to date with your work.



