

## THE CLASS CLOWN

Jose was the class clown. He said funny things. He played [ribbon/ steak/ tricks] on his friends. He made faces [if/ at/ we] the teacher behind her back. The [class/ pale/ tree] laughed at him when he did this. Jose [did/ how/ goes] not try to be mean. His [whole/ there/ tricks] never hurt anyone. He just liked [red/ as/ to] be funny. He liked for people [to/ in/ yet] pay attention to him.

What was [and/ of/ bad] was that Jose made bad grades. [No/ In/ He] did poorly in school. He did [not/ roll/ hand] listen to the teacher. Instead he thought [about/ back/ hold] funny things to do.

He drew pictures [be/ of/ you] the teacher. He drew her with missing [lemon/ teeth/ shot]. He drew her with a beard. [In/ To/ He] drew her with green hair, too. [His/ Tip/ Brat] friends laughed and laughed.

One [rack/ day/ call] the teacher gave Jose a note. "[Stabs/ Chance/ Please] take this to your parents," she [said/ risk/ needs]. "Okay," said Jose. He did not [along/ with/ seem] worried to his friends. He tried [to/ as/ was] clown around about it. He said [the/ blue/ ride] teacher was saying how smart he [beg/ was/ stop].

On the way home Jose read [bit/ the/ you] note. It said he had an "F" [we/ in/ cat] the class. It said he did [test/ show/ not] behave. Jose was shaking in his [know/ boots/ pets]. He was in big trouble!

He [lasts/ handed/ worked] the note to his father. His [father/ clowns/ lately] read it slowly. Then he [clear/ sighed/ feeds]. He sat down. He told Jose [put/ to/ sat] stop clowning in class. "It is [eight/ white/ fine] to have fun after school," said Father. "[Clap/ But/ Sock] in school you will listen to [inch/ the/ mark] teacher. If you do not do [better/ which/ could], I will punish you!"

Jose promised [sat/ we/ to] do better. He started listening in [kick/ class/ just]. He did not make fun of [she/ the/ pot] teacher. Soon he was making all "A's" [we/ so/ on] his work. Jose was very happy. Father [west/ was/ rent] proud of Jose. Jose learned when [as/ she/ to] have fun. He also learned when [for/ to/ see] be good.

Soon all of the [hot/ show/ boys] and girls were paying attention to Jose. [He/ Lot/ Do] was not a clown anymore. Now [do/ he/ off] was the smart kid of the [trunk/ class/ animal]. Jose liked the way his friends [wishes/ plane/ talked] about him. He did not have [to/ dog/ cop] be the class clown to win friends.