

Dear Willy,

What is the purpose of **HOMEWORK**?

*Anna*

Dear Anna,

Think of **HOMEWORK** as practice, practice and more practice. Just as becoming a skilled basketball player takes practice, it also takes practice to become a skilled thinker.

There are many benefits to doing and completing homework. It provides you the opportunity to reinforce what you've learned in class and it gives you additional time to complete assignments. Doing homework also allows you to process and apply the concepts or skills being taught at school. The rewards for the additional practice are higher test scores, better grades and the satisfaction of improving yourself.

Homework also gives you the chance to learn organizational skills. These skills involve planning the time, place and materials needed to complete your homework. Learning these skills will lead to self-discipline and future achievement in school and work.

Remember the three Ps . . . Practice! Practice! Practice!

