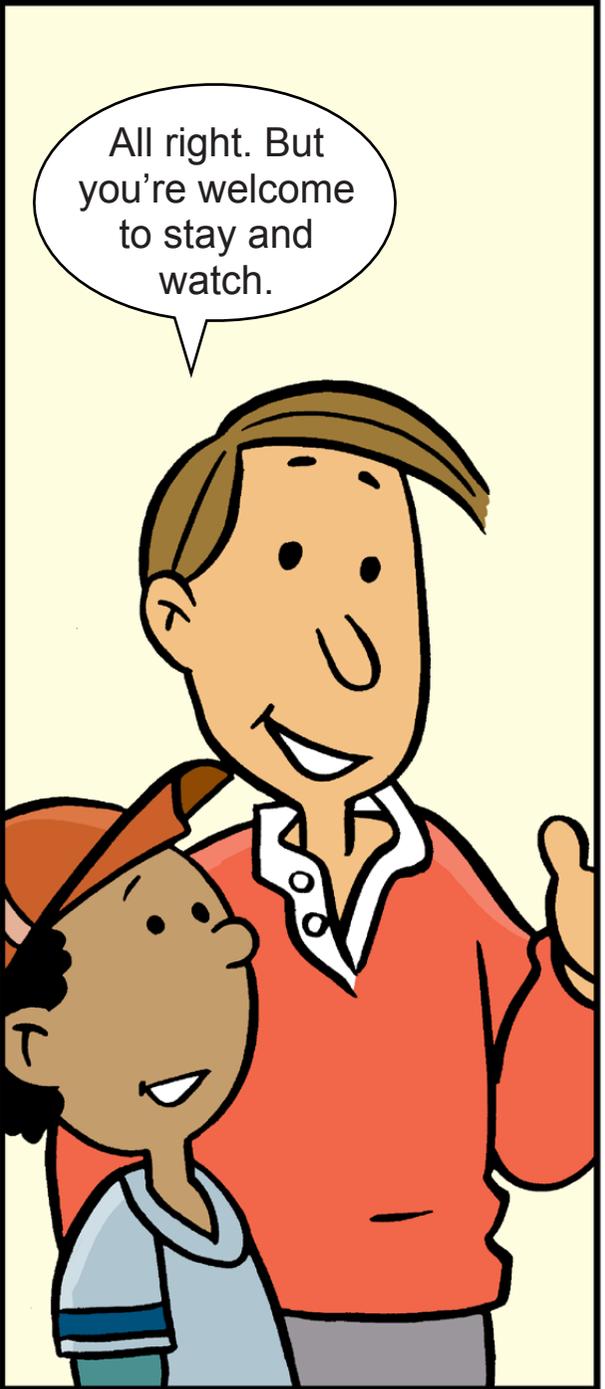


DON'T GIVE UP!



I have a headache. I don't think I'll be able to play today.



All right. But you're welcome to stay and watch.

That night.

Coach Bennet told me you didn't play today.

Uh, I had a headache.

Last Thursday you also missed practice.

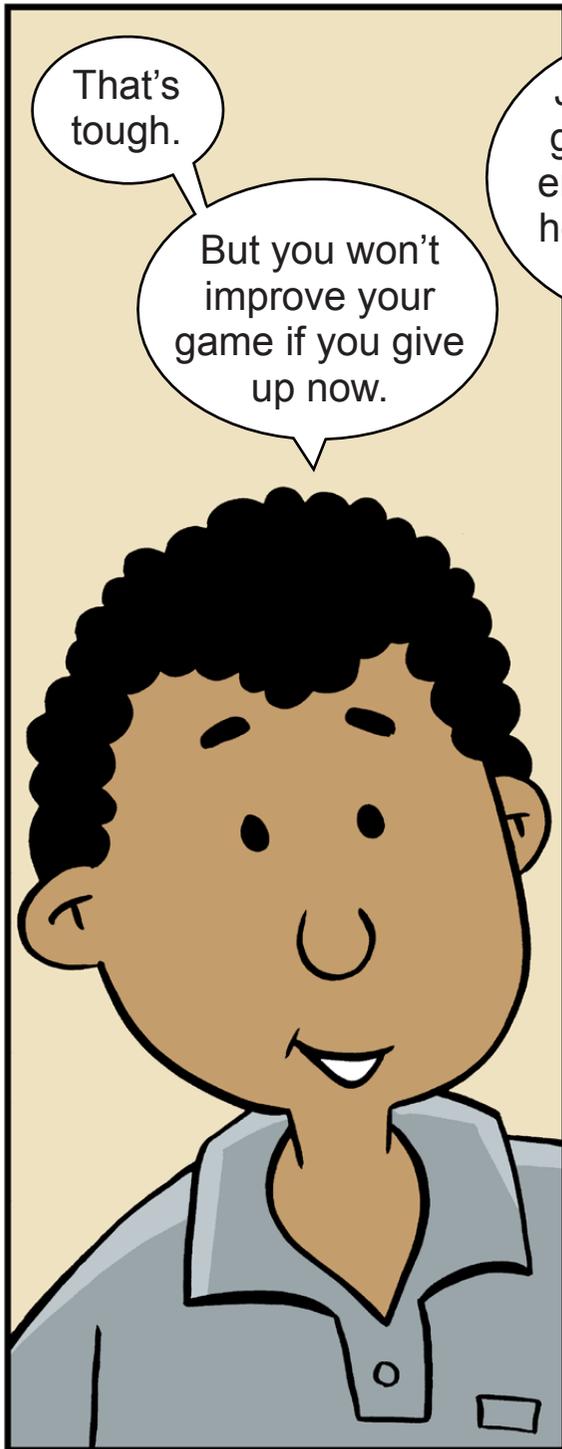


I thought you enjoyed playing baseball. Is something the matter?

I don't play well.

Even if I make it to first base, I never make it to home plate before being tagged out.







Monty Stratton played professional baseball as a pitcher during the 1930s. A serious accident caused him to lose the use of one of his legs, which initially stopped him from playing professional baseball. However, he didn't give up, and with his one wooden leg and one good leg, Monty Stratton continued playing baseball, and taught others to play the game, too.

The following Thursday.

Dad, I had fun at practice today!

I didn't make it to home base, but the coach said I'm doing well as a shortstop.

That's great! And I think Jesus inspired me with a good idea.

How about we do some batting practice on the weekends?

Thanks, Dad! I'd like that!

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