



“The Story of the Starfish”

While walking the beach, a man saw someone in the distance leaning down, picking something up and throwing it into the sea.

As he came closer, he saw thousands of starfish the tide had thrown onto the beach during the previous night’s storm. Unable to return to the ocean during low tide, the starfish were dying. He observed a young boy picking up the starfish, one by one, and throwing them back into the ocean.

After watching the seemingly futile effort, the man said, "There must be thousands of starfish on this beach. It would be impossible for you to save all of them. There are simply too many. What difference does it make for you to throw them back in?"

The young boy smiled as he picked up another starfish and tossed it back into the ocean. "It made a difference to that one," he replied.
