

## Breaking and Taking is a **By Diara Giri**

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Once upon a time up in the Himalayas Ganesha came home tired from chasing his friend Mushak. He screamed Maaaaaaaaaaaa! His mom (Durga) sighed "Ganeshaaaaa..... I am taking a bath!" Opps whispered Ganesha. Then Ganesha realized he was standing in front of a giant bowl of sweets. "I need those sweets" cried Ganesha. So Ganesha gathered all his strength and jumped! Yay said Ganesha I have enough sweets to save for two months! Ganesha began to eat the sweets but just then he saw a shadow, "Ma! I am not doing what you think I....." said Ganesha. "You are coming with me now" said Durga as she took him to a corner while pulling Ganesha's ear. When they reached the corner Durga just kept pulling Ganesha's ear and she asked him to stay in the corner for the rest of the day and also sleep there.

The next day Durga told Ganesha he won't be eating sweets for a whole month. Ganesha stomped out of the house. He felt sooooo angry he wanted revenge! Just then he saw that Shiva was brushing his hair and he had placed the Chandra on the seat where he likes to sit and watch the view. So he tiptoed sheepishly and stole Shiva's Chandra. Ganesha ran all the way up the huge mountain and standing on the top he broke Shiva's Chandra in half and wrote Ganesha all over it. Uh-oh! Ganesha said as he realized that Shiva was following him all along. Shiva didn't say anything, he just walked away disappointed.

Nobody talked to Ganesha when he got home. For many days no one talked to Ganesha. It took him a long time to realize that this was actually his punishment, that no one was talking to him, not even Mushak his best friend ever. Ganesha walked around with his head down. "What should I do?" Ganesha thought. He got an idea and quickly made an apology card for his parents. But still nothing changed. Then he sang a beautiful song around the neighborhood to ask for a second chance. Finally he realized that there was only one thing left to do. So he went up to his parents a little nervously and with joined hands he said "Ma, Baba, I apologize for doing something very bad and I will work very hard to regain your trust and become the son you can always rely on." Hearing this Shiva gave him a hug and Durga gave him a kiss and said, "Alright, we'll give it a try."

So Ganesha did just as he promised and lived happily ever after in the Himalayas.

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## All about Mount Everest

**By Tanvi Geera**

Here's to what you should know about the beautiful mountain, Mount Everest.

It is the highest point in the world. Everest is located at the border of Nepal & Tibet, an ancient Chinese country. Nepal is a small country, near India. The Everest is 29,035 ft. over the sea's summit. The first ever two people who successfully climbed Everest are Sir Edmund Hillary, and Sherpa Tenzing Norgay. Well, Sherpas are people who live near the mountain. They are excellent guides, and they are very intelligent too. They can help you throughout your climb, as well. They are very courteous too. Everest's Nepalese (the language that most Nepal people speak) is Sagarmatha, meaning "sky" & "head". There isn't much oxygen at the summit (meaning at the top) of Everest. That's because at higher altitudes, the air is thin than the actual air we humans breathe. In that case, you must bring several oxygen tanks and an oxygen mask to successfully climb the mountain. That is one of the reasons the higher base camps are called The Death Zone. Let's dive in to the diet. You can only eat small meals with high sugars, as you need to digest food faster. If you eat a big meal with no sugar, once you enter Base Camp 5 or 6, you will feel drowsy (tired), faint, and slowly die. The temperatures are at either -73° degrees Celsius, or -36° Fahrenheit. Be sure to keep warm.

In conclusion, these details about Everest are marvelous and remarkable. I hope someday you can climb Everest and be famous!