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Proud Persistence

Directions: Read the passage carefully. Think about what lesson the character learned. Write about how you could apply that lesson in **your own home, school, or friendships**. Use **specific examples** and connect them directly to the text.

Marcus was nervous about presenting his science project in front of the class. He practiced at home, but when the day came, his hands shook as he stood at the front of the room. Halfway through, he forgot one of his points and paused awkwardly. Instead of laughing, his classmates encouraged him to keep going, and his teacher reminded him to take a deep breath. Marcus finished his presentation, and although it wasn't perfect, he felt proud that he didn't give up. Later, he realized that making mistakes is part of learning, and that support from others can make challenges easier to handle.

1. What lesson did Marcus learn in the passage?

2. How could this lesson help you at **home**? (Give one example.)

3. How could this lesson help you at **school**? (Give one example.)

4. How could this lesson help you in your **friendships**? (Give one example.)
