Long time ago Filipino children learn to read and count at home through the help of their parents especially their mothers. There was no formal schooling then. As we become civilized little by little, education becomes a need of the society. We all need to educate ourselves even by formal or informal schooling.

Many Filipinos learned to read in informal ways. Some of them were our great grandparents. They learned to read only because their mother or father taught them. During those days, they learned lessons in life as they used to hear stories from their parents. They learned to believe in God and prayed always. Basic and simple ways of teaching their children brought significant learning that many of them were very good in speaking and writing. Their characteristics are indeed remarkable for they used to be hardworking, honest, self-reliant, obedient, patient and humble. These characteristics are somehow missing in our present generations and might extend to future generations unless resolve today.

This time of pandemic, many families have been united for some months because of the quarantine time. This is a break for many working parents to spend times with their children. But the time was quite little and not enough to teach them the most important lessons in life. The pandemic leads to unusual way of delivering education to the learners. Families have a big part in education. Much of the learning process must be supported by family members. Many of the parents or guardians could find this way of learning as burdensome maybe because of lack of time, knowledge or even patience. But instead of complaining about this situation, maybe this might be a perfect time to be with your child. All things happen for a reason and this might be the moment to make up with them.
Parents or other family members can assist the young ones as much as they can. They may use stories that could help better teaching the lesson. Challenge your child to set goals, commit them to give their best in learning with you. Set routines that would help your child know how to utilize their time wisely, and prioritize things that matter most. Be an example in words and deeds especially in dealing with your child and make sure to keep your promises. Patience and love is the key to help your child learn more than anyone could do for them. It is most important to teach your child to pray always by themselves and with their family. Our faith in God will help everyone to conquer anything during this time of pandemic.

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