

# How does child labour affect children?



1. Raj\* works at a shop where they design and make jewellery. He started working when his father died. He was 10 years old. He used to spend all day at the workshop, sometimes into the night as well.

Making the jewellery is an intricate process. Raj often gets eye-strain, sore fingers, and sometimes gold flakes get in his eyes. His hands get cut and scratched, and occasionally the skin peels off.

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\* Name changed to protect identity



**3.** In addition to working, Raj also helps his mother out with chores at home.

Raj and his family were helped out by Shanta, a World Vision community volunteer. She encouraged Raj to return to school, and helped him access education materials and financial support to cover the school fees. Raj now goes to school in the morning and works in the afternoon from 2-8pm.

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5. Raj's mother works as a domestic maid. World Vision volunteer Shanta introduced his mother to a self-help group that helps women through a savings program. If the family needs money they can borrow it interest-free from the group.