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The alarm clock rings at 7:00 a.m. I test its warranty by slapping the snooze bar into oblivion, and finally decide to drag myself out of bed. Rolling out of bed, I begin to think about the jobs, favors, assignments, and other things that I must do during the day. I consider tying strings around my fingers to remind me of all the things I need to do. But then again, I do only have ten fingers.

I can barely keep my eyes open during a lecture on World War II. Then I make another mental note to pick up posterboard for an English project, due tomorrow. After all of the stress that I face throughout the day, there are sports practices, followed by drama club rehearsal, and then, to top it all off, homework! Then

it's off to bed, where I set that same alarm clock to go off the following morning.

These chores are faced by high school students every day. People commonly refer to this as academics.

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