You Can Do It, Son!

Harry Fine lived in New York City. He was married and he had a wonderful wife and a sweet little baby boy. He even had a job at the bank. Harry was very thankful for what he had; he knew he was a lucky man.

Still, Harry was worried about what he didn't have, and that was money. Yes, Harry had a job. But his job at the bank was not an important one and Harry was paid very little.

Until the baby was born, Harry and his wife Becky managed[1] with the little money that was left after paying the rent[2]. But now with the small baby they needed a lot more.

Winter was coming, and how would they warm the house? They didn't have extra money to light a fire. Baby Josh was growing; he needed new clothes all the time. Becky sewed and knit[3] the baby's clothes herself, but she still had to buy the material[4]. And soon Josh would need shoes, too. Everything cost so much money!

If only Harry would get a better job at the bank!

[1] managed - הסתדרו
[2] rent - דמי שכירות
[3] knit - סרגה
[4] material - בד

"Harry," his wife Becky said again and again. "Why don't you speak to Mr. Cooper, your boss? Ask him to give you a more important job. You know you can do much more than you do now!"

But Harry didn't speak to Mr. Cooper; he was afraid. He was embarrassed[1] because of his poor clothing. He was scared Mr. Cooper would be angry at him for asking for a better job.

And so, Harry Fine was worried.

[1] embarrassed - התבייש