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Perseverance

Throughout my life, I have experienced many setbacks that have hindered my progress. They make me feel weak and insignificant, they hold me down, they stop me in my tracks. However, the one thing that I've learned from my setbacks is how to persevere them and how to push past them into a new light. The main way I've been able to cope with them is by realizing that when they happen, I have to be able to put them aside and look forward and push on. The problem is, this isn't always an easy task. Depending on the situation, the walls holding you back can involve sadness and guilt which make it more difficult to push them aside or break through them. When you're in this position it's important to realize what you can do or can't do. If you can't do anything, you have to remember that, and grasp the situation to know that what's happened has happened. The places in life which force me to persevere the most are home and school. With school, there are many times when I don't get the group or grade I was hoping for, and the first thing that comes to my mind is how it'll affect me in the future. But most of the time, I'm able to realize that there are more chances to fix my grade through future tests or projects, and I try to give myself the mindset to persevere through this one setback and be prepared for my chance to fix it. At home, the times I'm forced to persevere aren't as important or significant, but are still times in which I have to be able to persevere. These being choices to eat, places to go, things to do, etc. When things don't go my way, I have to be able to comprehend the fact that things can't always go my way and persevere through the thing I don't want to do, to be able to do what I want in future. I'm sure the ability to persevere will be able to help me throughout my whole life, and will be an important part of how I live my life.