不公正的比賽

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天氣:晴天

這段時間,小雲一直專心畫水彩畫,我跟杜賓犬看了她 的作品,都由衷的讚賞她的藝術天分。最後我們三人投票選 出一幅最好的作品去参加全校比赛,經過漫長的等待,今天 下午即將公布名次。

中午我去福利社買麵包吃,碰巧聽到小公主胸有成竹的 跟同伴說:「你們都知道我爸是校董,他認識評審群裡一半 以上的人,只要他出馬,第一名的獎牌就是我的↓」聽到這 句話我差點被麵包噎住。

這時廣播響起,叫大 家前往大禮堂集合觀 看頒獎典禮,當主持 人宣布第一名是小 公主時,我看到同 學們驚訝的表情. 因為很明顯的. 她的作品根本毫無 美感可言啊!我看 著台上小公主驕傲的 神情,而站我旁邊的



小雲臉上則滿是落寞…

解散後,我和小雲一起去找杜賓犬,我說出在福利社聽到的事,但他竟然不驚訝,他說:「今天早上我聽到我爸和校董講電話的內容,那時候我就知道小公主會贏了,因為校董用錢收買了多數的評審委員,包括我爸。」

我很生氣的說:「他們怎麼可以這樣?你也看到小公主 的畫根本不是小雲的對手,評審委員不是應該專業、公正 嗎?你為什麼都不抗議?你爸是校長怎麼能做這種事?」杜 賓犬不發一語,我生氣的大力推他。

一旁的小雲趕緊阻止我,她已經收起剛剛落寞的表情, 她對著我和杜賓犬說:「大人們雖然犯錯,但是我們不要學 習就是了。」說完後她露出一個燦爛的笑容,拿起手上一張 廣告紙說:「而且,你們看↓剛剛我在公布欄發現一個全國 性的水彩畫比賽,獎金多更多更多喔↓」

P.S.

良性的競爭,除了需要參賽者的運動 家風範,也要有公正的裁判。如果裁 判受到了利益的引誘而不公正,那比 賽也就失去了意義。

UNFAIR CONTEST

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Through this period, Hsiaoyun has been practicing her water coloring techniques. After seeing her work, Doberman and I both sincerely praised her artistic talents. Finally, the three of us picked the best work among us for the contest. After such a long wait, the winners will be announced this afternoon.

At noon, I went to the canteen to buy bread and heard Little Princess said confidently: "You all know my dad is the school manager. He knew over half of the judges. If he uses

his connection, the first place is as good as mine!" I almost choked on the bread

after hearing her

words.

Then an announcement was made for the award ceremony. When the host announced that Little Princess has won first place, I saw everyone's surprised reactions



because her work was not good at all! I saw Little Princess' proud expressions on the stage, and Hsiaoyun's disappointment as she stood next to me.

After the event, Hsiaoyun and I went to look for Doberman. I told them what I heard at the canteen, but Doberman wasn't surprised and said: "I heard my dad with the school manager on the phone this morning, and I know Little Princess would win because the school manager bribed most of the judges, including my dad."

I said angrily: "How can they do that? Little Princess' painting can't even compare to Hsiaoyun's work. Shouldn't judges be professional and fair? Why didn't you protest? Your father is the principal; how could he do that?" Doberman didn't say a word, so I pushed him.

Then, Hsiaoyun stopped us. Her disappointment was gone as she said: "Let's just not copy the errors that the adults have made." Then she smiled, held out an advertisement, and said: "Look! I just saw this ad for the national water coloring contest, and the prize money is so much higher! "

P.S.

Fair competition requires good sportsmanlike conduct and fair judges. If the judges are bribed and give unfair results, the whole competition becomes meaningless.