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## Hard Work and Perseverance

"Damn, its late!" That's me every morning, when I arise at 5 a.m., because I stayed up late working on projects, and have to get ready for work to go in at 5:30am. While throwing on random clothes, I shout to my wife "Have a splendid day!" After grabbing something to eat for my breakfast, I rush out of the house. It takes me 15 minutes to get to my work. After school, it takes me about an hour to arrive home due to traffic in the 202-East Bound, and I immediately get ready for soccer since I joined a game of soccer every day until the sun goes down. After a long exhausting afternoon of skirmishes, I go home and eat dinner with my family. Later on night, I get back to do my homework/projects. Is your day similar to mine? Does it help or hinder the direction you want to go in life?

Playing soccer is exhausting for me. Yet, is my daily routine. My friends and I always play at the park near my house. Even though I get tired, that doesn't mean that I will give up on my studies. After playing soccer for about 2 hours, I go home and enjoy family time. While driving home, I like to listen to the rock station. Arriving home, my family and I sit together, eat dinner and talk. Late at night, I enjoy some peaceful rest so that I will be ready to attend class and work the following day.

My short-term goal is to finish my studies; however, I know it will be difficult, stressful, and it will require much perseverance. I'm twenty-two years old, attending college classes. In addition to completing my studies, I am working to save money for my future, so that I might have somewhere nice to live. I have long-term goals as well. I want to become someone in life; to have a good career, perhaps as a web developer. I believe I would enjoy the job of creating web applications; however, it will take time, patience, dedication, and hard work to achieve these goals.

My life is like a street full of bumps. It can be rough, but I never give up, and I give it my best every day. I know that in the effort to achieve my goals, I will face challenges, but I am ready to face them head-on. Dedication is the most important quality I possess. Dedication plays a vital role in the need to put forth much effort to achieve any goal; undoubtedly, dedication is

the root of success. In my own life, this includes maintaining priorities, effective time management, and commitment.

My target community is the high school I am currently working at, Camelback High School. From my point of view, they have an issue with their web site for their athletic department; they have one but its way outdated. I believe this can prevent other parents or students know more about the sports that the school can provide. That being said, a way to solve this problem is to build them a web site with the current web technologies with no charge. In addition, I can involve the students in the photography and art classes to be part of the project. Finally, my personal participation is to get a team to develop this web project for the school.

The way I view the many aspects of my life is somewhat different from everyone else I know. Some days are terrible; others splendid. Even suffering so much fatigue after a soccer game, I am still there for my family and studies. I am committed to completing my homework every day and attending to every single class; my dedication to school is motivated by the fact that when I work hard, I am rewarded with good grades and family been happy. I lead a full and busy life. I am often tired. Yet, there is still time for everything I need to do to achieve my goals. It is just a matter of dedication, hard work and perseverance.