

What lead the kids in Science Fiction to their success?

Have you thought about how to have good teamwork between you and your friends? I have. When a teacher wants us to do projects, I always don't stay with my best friends. In the story "Science Friction" the main characters were having the same problem. Amanda had class clown Benji, Ms. Perfect Ellen, and mysteriously silent George as team members. At first, they were just fighting about what kinds of projects that they would choose. They were fighting for five weeks, but at last they succeeded and got an A. At the end of the story, what did they learn that led them to success? Amanda, Benji, Ellen, and George did better on their project at the end because they helped each other, learned more about each other, and they forgave each other.

While at last, they talked a lot and played together, in my opinion, the thing that the group do differently at the end of the story that led to their success with the project was to help each other. For example, when Amanda's mom grounded Amanda because she found shriveled bread in her room, Ellen, Benji, and George volunteered to help Amanda clean her room. On P.211, Benji helped Amanda to find the last piece of the sandwiches. This helped Amanda clean her room faster, and to help get closer and closer to working together as a team.

Not only did helping each other lead to their success at the end of the story, but also they learned from each other. For example, on P.208, when Ellen was telling why she hid bread in Amanda's room, she said, "I didn't want your mom to think I didn't like her food, and I felt kind of funny about mentioning my allergy. I try so hard to fit in, but it's not easy sometimes. I'm not good at it like you are, I study so hard. But you're so good at science." Ellen let Amanda know that she was not a perfect girl. She worked so hard to climb to where she was now, but she loses to Amanda because Amanda was the science geek. Another example was when they choose mold as their project and George left. When he was back, he brought a display case that had mirrors in it to show both sides. That was so beautiful and so nice. It showed the other that George was a genius with his hands. At first, when they went into Amanda's room, they saw various piles of clothes, book, magazines, and other essentials, then plopped down on her bed. This showed that Amanda was a messy person. She couldn't have a organized area so her friends didn't care about her room's cleanliness, and they made it messier.

Not only did helping each other and learning more about each other lead to their success in the end, but also they forgave each other. For example, in the

beginning of the story, Ellen and were arguing for five weeks. Amanda thought that Ellen was “ Ms.Perfect”, so she didn’t listen to her. Their friendship was getting away. But in the sixth week, Ellen told the truth to Amanda and Amanda forgave her. This helps them work together. Another example was when Benji and George hid food in Amanda’s room. Amanda was a little bit angry, but she forgave them too. This led them to succeeded.

In conclusion, Amanda, benji, Ellen, and George did better on their project at the end because they helped each other, learned more about each other, and they forgave each other. In our life, we will face the same problems the kids in “Science Friction” did. Can we solve the problem easily? I can’t, but we need to learn more and more, or one day, we really will have these kinds of problems. We won’t be able to solve them. So, I learned a lot to lead me to success.