

First & Last Name

8th Grade Humanities
Class Name

I Am Independent

My friend was guarding me. I went through his legs, pulled back, then he fell as I shot a three and won the game. I'm going to explain how I got here and it all started with a bet.

“AJ AJ AJ GET OVER HERE YOU TROG!!” Rowan yelled.

“Alright, alright I’m coming! Chill out you maniac!” I yelled back. Rowan had a watch and a ring. He said if I beat him in a 1v1 I could have them. I said deal. We went out and the game finally started. He drove then did a step back three and made it his. a friend got the ball and he ran up, pulled up, scored a three then he did a spin shot a three and got fouled so he did a free throw and made it it was 10-0 when I notice the score I was sad and angry at myself but i was determined and resilient so I kept moving.

I blocked a shot, got the ball and it was my time to shine. I drove to the paint, scored a layup, then shot a pull up jumper and made the score ten to five. I decided that it was my time. They would not win. Then I went for a layup, got fouled and hurt my leg.

Rowan asked if I quit. I yelled, “NO NEVER!” and scored both free throws. It was ten to seven and I had the ball. I instantly shot a three with a quick release and scored. Now it's ten to ten. It's first to 13 so I need one three to win. I take the ball, go through my friend's legs, pull back, do a pull up jumper and hit the three and win. He got furious and screamed at me.

He claimed that I cheated and betrayed him, but I yelled back. “No I didn't.” After that, a battle for who was right emerged. Rowan tried to strike me but missed and I shoved him to the ground because he tried to back out of a deal. After that we joked around about it and became

cool with each other again. I got the ring and watch but I know he will try to vs me again for it. I know that.

Even if you feel like it's impossible to achieve something, don't give up. Life likes to kick you while you're down, but you need to get up and show that you create your own path. You're the boss of your life, no one else is, so take some risks, live life to the fullest no matter what happens.. Always pick yourself up and know that the world does what it does for a reason.