

My Sister Inspired Me To Play Basketball

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When I was little, I loved watching my sister play basketball. She was really good at it. I didn't really care for playing basketball as much though, she would teach me there plays, and she would practice with me on my shooting. I grew more interested in playing and started to like playing basketball.

Chelsea and I practiced a lot, I improved on how I shoot the ball, and how I dribbled. I asked my parents if they would sign me up to play basketball, they signed me up, I was good at shooting, and good on defense, Chelsea has really helped me to improve and

become a better player.

My second season of playing, I scored 18 points our first game in Princeton, that season we won a lot of games, but didn't win them all, at the end of that season I was awarded with the Most Valuable player award (MVP).

My third season of playing basketball, I played with sixth, seventh, and eighth graders, we played some really good games, we played games that were very close, we played Cannelton Bulldogs twice and lost both games by one point to them.

Unfortunately we didn't win a single game this year's season, next year, were going to walk into that gym and put work in as a team, and work together as a team, this season we went 0-15, next year's season I want to go 15-0, and not lose a game, I want to have an undefeated season.

ATVs Being Fun & Dangerous

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ATVs can be really fun to ride but can also be very deadly at the same time. People ride ATVs sometimes with gear or without gear they are riding in the woods on roads and in open grasses without the gear they need to be riding with. They can cause all kinds of deaths anywhere you are riding them. There are videos of dirt bike riders with no gear on doing backflips and other moves, they can crash instantly and be paralyzed or even come to death.

Now you have to have gear on to ride an ATV because so many people are being hurt when wearing no gear. New ORV Helmet Law Takes Effect July 1st in Indiana. A new law signed by Governor Eric Holcomb requiring children under the age of 18 to wear an approved helmet when riding any off-road vehicle (ORV) on public or private property in Indiana takes effect on July 1st. And it also applies to both ATVs and side-by-side ORVs. The law is keeping people safe and if you do crash it is going to make you have a better chance of not getting hurt.

A motocross freestyle rider "Bruce Cook" was attempting to do the world's first double front flip when Cook landed incorrectly. Cook was paralyzed from waist and down, even when he was still hurt being wheeled out of the arena on a stretcher, he says he thought about getting back on a bike. Cook says when he crashed right when he hit the ground he knew he broke his back.

When Bruce landed he was sliding down the landing mat and he said he was still conscious and he didn't know if that was good or bad he was still awake. He was slapping his legs because he couldn't feel them and he said he could feel his neck. His head was ok and then he realized he couldn't feel his waist and down. Then when he got to the hospital the doctors figured out he was paralyzed, after the surgery was done

he said he didn't want the last time riding a dirtbike to be crashing doing the double front flip.

ATVs are very dangerous but are also very fun to ride, people are riding them without gear and they are crashing and are getting very hurt and even may even die if the crash is to bad. Now if you are riding ATVs you have to be wearing gear, it is a law signed by Governor Eric Holcomb requiring children under the age of 18 to wear an approved helmet when riding any off-road vehicles. A motocross rider Bruce Cook was paralyzed after crashing his dirtbike attempting the world's first double front flip. Those are some things about ATVs being dangerous and fun.

The big game

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It was a Saturday morning it was a nice morning, the birds were chirping, getting ready for the big soccer game, the one that would make their team the best team in the world. So Will called Jack to see if he is coming to the game, Jack said "yes I can go". Then he asked Jack if he can call Adam and see if he can play. So Jack called Adam to see if he can play Adam said "yes" Jack said "OK". They had fifteen people on the team the players names were Will, Jack, Adam, Brigom, Domanick, Aiden, Logan, Hazoos, Tony, Jesse, Hayden, and Jackson, they thought they were the best team, their name was

Monkey Warriors, the team wanted something funny so they choose that, one the wanted something else, and something funny, and they came across a monkey to that's what brought it up. So on there way to the game they all had to ride a bus to the game when they got there they all did their stretches and a lap then when they

where done the game started. So Jack passes it to Will, Will crosses it to Adam, Adam dribbles down the field, crosses it to Hayden he shoots the ball and he scores!!! Now the other team has the ball with five minutes left on the clock, the man passes it to his teammate Will runs up and takes the ball and crosses it to Adam, Adam dribbles it down the field then crosses it back to Will, Will dribbles it then dribbles it then shoots it at the eighteen yard line and make at the last second.

Robotics is Thriving!

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What is the first thing that you think of when you hear robot. Many people think it is just things like Star Wars. Well robotics is much more than that but people believe such robots that have artificial intelligence only exist in Science Fiction. That is being proven wrong by many scientists who create robots like Sophia who is the best robot with artificial intelligence.

The type of robots that you will encounter most frequently are robots that do work that is too dangerous, boring, or just plain nasty. Most of the robots in the world are of this type. They can be found in auto, medical, manufacturing and space industries. In fact, there are over a million of these type of robots working for us today.

They are made a robot called Kuri. Kuri is characterized by personality, awareness, and mobility, the robot is said to 'add a spark of life to any home'. There are many more such as Aibo, Sophia, E2 DR, Aruba, Handle, Cargo Bot,

etc. As you can see there are many AI robots that came and are yet to come.

In my school they let us get involved with the VEXIQ for 2 years so far. We made it to the state competition in the school year of 2016-2017 at IUPUI. This year we also went to the state competition at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indy. In Vex, Stem, Autonomous, Driving, and keeping track on your changes and what you did in a notebook that is provided is all necessary for competition.

Today you can find most robots working for people in industries, factories, warehouses, and laboratories.

Robots are useful in many ways. For instance, it boosts economy because businesses need to be efficient to keep up with the industry competition.

Therefore, having robots helps business owners to be competitive, because robots can do jobs better and faster than humans can, an example would be a robot can build, assemble a car. Yet robots cannot perform every job; today robots roles include assisting research and industry. Finally, as the technology improves, there will be new ways to use robots which will bring new hopes and new potentials.

Extra Work

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Should kids really learn all this extra information at school such as algebra. I mean how many times are you really going to solve algebra questions at your job. I feel like learning all of these extra things are really pointless. Here are my reasons why.

Like I said before, are you really going to solve algebra problems all day at work. The only job I can really think of that requires

you to know these things is being a teacher. I still think that teachers should teach us the basics of math that we will use on a day to day basis. It's not necessary to know all of this algebra. All of this plugging in numbers and solving is just something you're never really going to do later in life on a day to day basis.

Another reason is that teacher should be teaching us things that will actually help us later in life such as credit and how businesses work. These life skills can help us later in life if we ever get into situations with credit or with a company. I know they teach us about our rights, but they never expand on teaching us our rights. I feel that they should

educate us more about our rights. Say you get pulled over by a police officer and he or she is doing something that is illegal or against your rights. If our teachers educated us more we would be able to identify what the officer is doing incorrectly. Then once we identify the problem we can tell the officer and make him stop or if it goes into court you can use this as a statement in court.

So these are my reasons why I feel that our teachers shouldn't teach us all of these extra things and actually educate us in things that will help us in our future lives. After all the children of today are the future of this country, so wouldn't you want to educate the future of America well.

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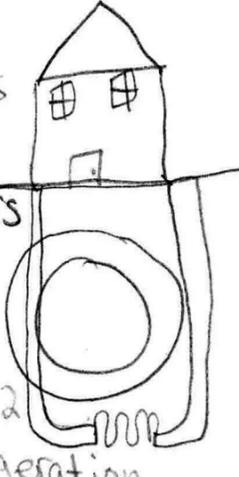
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