## ♥Thankfulness♥

There are many qualities that people have, the qualities that I am thankful for are loyalty, self- awareness, courage ,and having integrity. One reason why I am loyal is because I always make amazing friends that are always near me whenever I need help. When I was younger, I did not have a lot of friends and was always left out. People disliked me because of how smart I was and never was rude to the teachers. But, there was this one girl who was very much like me. She had a good attitude and always gave respect. During school, I was partnered up with her for a project. It was very weird since I had barely anyone to talk with. She told me that others saw me as mean and rude. I simply told her that I was the total opposite, and she believed me! Soon enough, we became best friends and I have never left her side since.

Another quality I am thankful for is being self- aware. The reason why I am thankful for being that way is because when growing up in a school that has kids who create bad actions and seeing what it leads to, makes me realize that doing that is not a good idea. Like I said, growing up, I was very smart and had a better way of thinking than others. I noticed as a kid that everyone around me was a bad kid. I also noticed that they weren't aware of the consequences that would be done if they made a bad choice. But, even if they did it multiple times, they still weren't aware. So, I am thankful for being self-aware because it taught me what would happen if I did something bad. It also made me feel good about myself because I knew I was always doing the right thing and my teachers did not have to complain or call my parents.

Another quality that I am thankful for is being courageous. The reason why I am thankful for being courageous is because I always can stand up for myself and for others. My cousin would get bullied all of the time by the kids at her block. They were older than her and twice her size. I was also like that. I had my cousins pick on me most of the time, but never any other kids. My older cousin was tough. She was the one who taught me to be strong and fierce to anybody that tries to push me down. The kids at her block called her mean things, but she never told her parents. I was walking down the block she lived on and realized those kids came outside to bully her. They were about my age, since my cousin was around 3–5 years old. They picked on her. They have never seen me before so I simply told them to stop. They asked what I would do and seemed tough, but deep down, I knew they were not. I told them I will tell your parents and call my cousin. They ran off back to their house and left my cousin alone. After that, she had nothing to worry about and lived a happy life.

My last quality that I am thankful for is having integrity. I always told the truth when I was a kid and never lied about anything. That's one thing people liked about me. I snitched when something was not right. I didn't care what people said about me. In 2nd grade, there was a kid in my class who was always grumpy. He always lied in front of everyone's face and didn't care. I was the total opposite. Teacher's tried to seat me next to him and try to teach him on how to not be grumpy, but he was careless. No matter how hard anyone tried. He lied and never had a positive attitude. As I got older, I have had him in the same class all of the time all the way up to 5th grade. But, after sitting with him, I feel like I have teached him some things. He began pushing himself more to succeed and listened! This is why I am\] thankful for being self-aware, loyal, courageous and having integrity.