



"SOW in Love" Letter Writing Competition Outstanding Award



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Dear Past Self,



Slaving away, studying non-stop for your exams, that's tense! I know you're currently going through a rough patch and that's why I'm here to give you support!

Those vivid memories of feeling burnt out were harsh days. When expectations aren't met, you always end up thinking you're incapable and doubt yourself, but believe me, that's untrue! You deserve way more credit than you give yourself. As Jennae Cecelia once said, "Flowers grow back even after the harshest winters. You will, too"

You are as brave as a person can be. Embarking on such mentally challenging obstacles isn't a simple task but the hardships you have endured will never be in vain. Hence, stay true to yourself and be confident because the path you'll pave is going to break barriers!

Life is filled with unexpected twists and turns. It can't be avoided, can it? So embrace it with all your heart and enjoy the ride! You might feel overwhelmed but soon you'll be surprised by what you can achieve.

Thank you for never quitting. The struggles you face made me grow, shaping who I am and for that, I'll be forever grateful.



Xoxo
Your Future Self, Athena





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Dear Matilda,



How are you? What happened to you in the book Matilda inspired me a lot. Thank you for telling me the importance of loving learning. What I learnt from you also reminded me of a saying of wisdom which is ‘I have no special talent. I am only passionately curious.’

You are a gifted and hardworking self-learner. You use your intelligence to help others wisely, like saving Miss Honey from the bully. Unlike you, I’m lazy and timid. But your story lets me know if I study harder and develop a passion for learning, I will have the ability and courage to face difficulties and protect the people I cherish.

In order to increase my motivation in learning, I promise you I will read a book every week and always share interesting plots with you. Lastly, I wish your new life with Miss Honey is filled with joy every day, and that you continue to live with courage and kindness.

Thank you for giving me an important lesson in life. I will apply your wisdom to my life and remember the saying of wisdom, ‘I have no special talent. I am only passionately curious.’

Best wishes,
Iris





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Dear Auggie,

I am writing this letter to express my gratitude towards you. Your stunning story has truly inspired, motivated and strengthened me. To me, you are more than just a character in a novel. “You change the world by being yourself” is a quote that perfectly captures the influence you have had on me.

Auggie, despite your intrinsic battle with facial deformities, from following through your journey, I can clearly see your maturity in how you overcame everything and embraced your differences with the support from your family. Bravery, honesty, kindness and the value of remaining true to oneself are the four most valuable lessons I have learnt from you. You have shown me that true beauty is not in the way we look, but in the way we treat others and see the world. Yes, as you said, we should all receive at least one standing ovation in our lives.

Thank you, Auggie, for demonstrating the true meaning of strength, kindness, love and family. Your story has so far become my inspiration to be a better person, to always have faith in goodness, and to realise that the ordinary can sometimes be extraordinary.

With all my admiration,
Chi

