

My Past Self and My Present Self

When I was a child, I was very shy and didn't like talking to people. I always stayed close to my parents at family events because I felt less confident than other kids. At school, I almost never raised my hand because I was more afraid of making mistakes. I preferred to sit in the back of the classroom and listen quietly. I was also less organized; I often forgot my homework and lost my things.

As I grew older, I started changing little by little. I joined group projects, and I made new friends who helped me feel more comfortable expressing my ideas. Now I am more outgoing, and I enjoy talking to different people. I'm also more responsible, and I manage my time better. Today, one of the biggest differences is that I believe in myself much more. I try new activities, participate in class, and take on challenges without fear. I think my present self is the strongest, the calmest, and the happiest version of me so far.

1. Choose the correct answer:

- How did the writer feel during childhood?
 - a) Very confident
 - b) Nervous and shy
 - c) Excited to talk to people
 - d) Very organized

- What helped the writer become more comfortable?
 - a) Sitting alone
 - b) Making new friends
 - c) Avoiding projects
 - d) Speaking less

- Which characteristic describes the writer now?
 - a) Less responsible
 - b) More outgoing
 - c) More afraid of mistakes
 - d) Less organized

- "The strongest version of me" means the writer...
 - a) Is physically stronger
 - b) Feels better and braver than before
 - c) Became younger
 - d) Talks less

2. Answer true or false.

- The writer used to forget homework and lose things.
- The writer speaks less now than in the past.
- The writer believes that they are happier now than before.

3. Match the correct answer.

1. Shy
2. Outgoing
3. Responsible

- a) Talks easily with people
- b) Organized; takes care of duties
- c) Quiet or nervous around others