



O'level

Foundation

Week 24

The Write Tribe

PERSONAL RECOUNT



brother's valor. I learnt Uncle Lou had died in a bomb blast. There was nothing left of his body. My dad couldn't bring himself to tell Grandma. She would be devastated and the news may even kill her. She was already 87 years old. "Let her be happy for whatever remaining years she has with us. Why ruin her happiness?" my dad added.

I knew what I had to do even though it broke my heart.

As quick as lightning, I ran to grandmother, letter in hand. "What is it?" grandmother asked.

"A letter from Uncle Lou! Woohoo!" I feigned excitement. With shaky hands, she tore it open hastily. The big smile on her face turned upside down. "He can't make it." she stated. Tears filled her eyes. Seeing her disappointment, I couldn't hold my emotions. Noticing my tears, she quickly brightened up. "Never mind boy, we have much work to do. It's Chinese New Year. Brighten up. If not this year, he will come the next!" she chirped.

As I watched her energetically make enough cookies to feed the town, I gave a thumbs up to my Dad. Dad did the right thing. Every cloud has a silver lining.

Though this makes us sad, the lie gives happiness Grandma's life. I learnt that there's always something positive even in the most awful experiences.

At least, every Chinese New Year my grandmother has something to look forward to.



PERSONAL RECOUNT: Describe a memorable event

WRITING ORGANIZER - Recount

Orientation: - *Introduction – Setting the scene.*

Events: - *What happened – in chronological order.*

Conclusion: - *Personal Comment (Optional)*

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