**Kofi Precious (09.09.2004)**

**Personality**

Precious says her best friend is Stacely, who lives in the same neighborhood as she does. Stacely is a good friend because she helps Precious with her homework if she is having difficulties with it. Precious also says Stacely has good manners and does not misbehave. In her free time Precious enjoys athletics; which she trains for both at Dzikwa and at school. She explains that she likes athletics so much because it trains and builds her muscles. Purple is her favorite color. And rice and chicken is the most delicious meal in her opinion.

When asked what her favorite memory is, Precious explains that it was when she attended a family members wedding, she remembers that the bridal party ( brides maids and grooms men) were dressed well, there was good food and everyone was happy and having a good time. Precious says that she feels sad when she thinks about the break-up of her parent’s marriage, and she feels that if they were still together things would be better. She feels happy when people do nice things for her like get her birthday presents.

She says that she likes some animals but not all, and her favorite is the cow. Precious explains that it is because it gives us leather for clothing and shoes, as well as delicious milk and meat. Her mother is her favorite person because she takes care of her and guides her on what to do. When she grows up she would like to become a teacher because she is good at school. Precious would like to be a good teacher that is patient and kind with her students.

**Family**

Precious is an only child. She describes her family as kind hearted people; that enjoy socializing with people. Her favorite activities with her family are watching Philippines and Indian movies and soap operas on T.V; because she likes to look at the way they dress and dance. She also enjoys doing housework together with her mother. At home Precious’ chores include sweeping the house, washing dishes and doing some laundry.

During the weekend Precious says she does school work, goes to church, watches T.V and spends time at Dzikwa: where she does training for traditional dance. Which she explains she started recently. She also says that she just likes to hang out with friends and have fun at Dzikwa.

The people that make Precious feel safest in her life are her mother, Mrs Chenera and Seppo, because they are the ones that always help her. When she is having problems she turns to her neighbors, her friend Praise and Praise’s mother Mrs. Udzembe, she explains that they are close to her and she sees them every day.

**School**

Precious says she enjoys school because getting an education will help her in the future. The subject she is having difficulties with at the moment is Maths, she says that averages, time and roman numerals are challenging. She also finds Content (social studies, science) difficult because they learn about bible stories and she does not have a bible. Her favorite subject is English, because she likes learning about proverbs and comparisons.

Mrs. Hove is her favorite teacher. Although she has retired, she used to help Precious with anything that bothered her, and Precious could really tell she cared about her. Her school day starts at 07:30 and ends between 14:00-16:00.

If there was one thing she could change about her school Precious says she would change the toilets because they are broken chambers, smelly and not enough taps. She would fix all this and make sure there was always toilet paper available in the toilet stalls. Precious would also replace the broken windows around the school.

During her free time at school Precious likes to eat her snacks with her friends, play soccer, maflawu (a ball game played in groups) and the brick game (organizing bricks). She says obviously athletics is her favorite sport at school, because she is good at it.

*Interview and write up:*

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