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## LESSON ONE

### PERSEVERANCE

Many years ago I stepped into a bookstore in Cincinnati in search of some books that I wanted. While I was there, a poor little boy, not over twelve years of age, came in to ask whether they had geographies to sell.

"Plenty of them," was the salesman's reply.

"How much do they cost?"

"One dollar, my lad."

"I didn't know they cost so much."

He turned to go out and even opened the door, but closed it again and came back. "I have only sixty-two cents," he said. "Will you let me have the book and wait a little while for the rest of the money?"

How eagerly the lad looked for an answer, and how disappointed he seemed when the man refused him his request! The little fellow

looked up at me with a weak smile, and left the store. I followed him.

"And what now?" I asked.

"I shall try another place, sir."

"Do you mind if I go too and see how you succeed?"

"If you like," he said in surprise.

Four different stores I entered with him, and four times I saw the boy's face turn to disappointment.

"Are you going to try again?" I asked.

"Yes, sir. I shall try them all, or I shall not know whether I could get one."

We entered the fifth store and the little fellow walked straight up and told the gentleman just what he wanted and how much money he had.

"Do you want the book very much?" asked the bookseller.

"Yes, sir, very much."

"Why do you want it so much?"

"To study, sir. I cannot go to school, but when I have time I study at home All the

boys have geographies and they will be ahead of me if I do not get one. Besides, my father was a sailor, and I want to know about the places he used to go to."

"Does he go to those places now?"

"He is dead," replied the boy, softly. In a moment he added, "I'm going to be a sailor, too."

"Are you, my boy?" asked the gentleman, raising his eyebrows curiously.

"Yes, sir, if I live."

"Well, my lad, I'll tell you what I will do. I'll let you have the new geography and you may pay me the remainder of the money when you can, or I will let you have one that is not new for fifty cents."

"Are the leaves all in it and is it just like the others, only not new?"

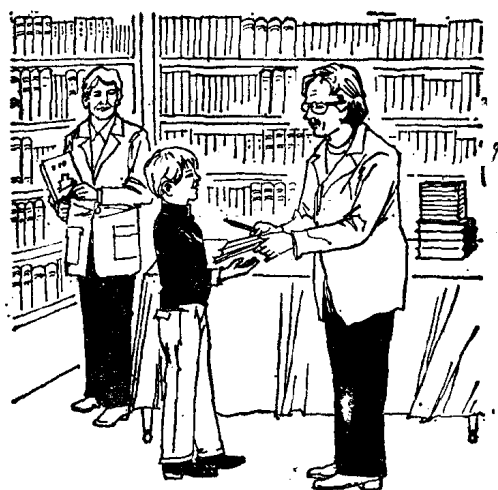
"Yes, it's as good as the new ones."

"It'll do just as well then, and I shall have twelve cents left to buy some other book. I'm glad they didn't let me have one at any of the other places."



At the boy's last remark the bookseller looked at him. What did the boy mean? I told him what I had seen and heard at the five other places. When the boy had bought the book, the bookseller gave him a nice new pencil and some clean white paper.

"A present, my lad, for your perseverance. Always have courage like that and you will make your mark," said the bookseller.



"Thank you, sir, it's very kind of you."

"What is your name, my lad?"

"William Hartley, sir."

"Do you want any more books?" I now

asked, earnestly regarding the boy's serious face.

"More than I can ever get," he replied.

I gave him two dollars. "The money will buy some for you," I said.

Tears of joy came into his eyes.

"May I buy what I want with it?"

"Yes, my lad, whatever you want."

"Then I'll buy a book for Mother," he said.  
"I thank you very much, and some day I hope I can repay you."

He asked my name and I gave it to him. Then I left him standing by the counter so happy that I almost envied him.

Many years later, I was going to Europe on one of the finest ships that ever ploughed the waters of the Atlantic. We had pleasant weather the greater part of the voyage, but toward the end there came a terrible storm and the ship would have sunk with all on board had it not been for the captain.

A great leak was filling the ship with water. The crew was made up of strong and

able men and the mates were experienced seamen of the first class. But after pumping for one whole night with the water still gaining upon them, the sailors gave up in despair.

The captain, who had been below, now came up. He saw how matters stood.

He ordered every man to his position. It was surprising to see those strong men bow before his strong will and hurry back to the pumps. The captain then started below to look for the leak. As he passed me I asked him whether there was any hope of saving the ship.

He looked at me. "Yes, sir," he said, "so long as one inch of this deck remains above water, there is hope. - Only when that fails shall I leave the ship, but not before that, nor shall any of my crew. Everything shall be done to save the ship, and if we fail, it will not be our fault." Then he turned to all of us passengers on board and said, "Every one of you, at the pumps!"

Three times during that day we gave up in despair. But the captain's courage, persever-

ance, and powerful will mastered every man on board, and we went to work again. "I will land you safe in Liverpool," he said, "if you will be men."

And in the end he did land us safe, but the ship sank soon after she reached Liverpool. The captain stood on the deck of the sinking ship receiving the thanks of the passengers as they hurried off the ship.



As I passed, he grasped my hand and said, "Sir, do you not recognize me?" I told him

that I did not.

“Do you remember the boy whom you followed when he had so much difficulty in getting a geography, some thirty years ago, in Cincinnati?”

“Why yes, I remember that boy very well. His name was William Hartley.”

“I am William Hartley,” said the captain. “God bless you!”

“And may God bless you too, Captain Hartley,” I said. “The perseverance that thirty years ago got you that geography has today saved our lives.”

### WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS

perseverance [ˌpɜːsɪˈvɪərəns] *n.* 毅力; 坚持; 不屈不挠

bookstore [ˈbʊkstɔː] (美) = bookshop *n.* 书店

Cincinnati [ˌsɪnsɪˈnæti] *n.* 辛辛那提(美国俄亥俄州一城市)

search [sɜːtʃ] *n., vt. & vi.* 搜寻; 寻找

in search of 寻找; 追求

geography *n.* 地理书

salesman [ˈseɪlzmən] *n.* 售货员, 店员

lad *n.* 少年; 小伙子

request [rɪˈkwest] *n. & vt.* 请求; 要求

store(美)=shop *n.* 商店

disappointment [ˌdɪsəˈpɔɪntmənt] *n.* 失望; 沮丧; 使人失望的人或事

bookseller ['bukˌselə] *n.* 书商

ahead of 在……前面; 优于; 胜过

sailor ['seɪlə] *n.* 海员, 水手; 水兵

add *vt.* 又说, 补充说

eyebrow ['aɪbraʊ] *n.* 眉毛

remainder [rɪˈmeɪndə] *n.* 剩余物; 其余的人; 余数

leaf (*pl.* leaves) *n.* (书刊等的) 一张(两面)

remark [rɪˈmɑːk] *n.* 话; 评论

*vt. & vi.* 说; 评论

make one's mark 成功; 出名

William Hartley ['wɪljəm ˈhɑːtli] 威廉·哈特利(男名)

earnestly [ˈɜːnistli] *adv.* 热心地; 认真地

regard *vt.* 看, 注视

whatever [wətˈevə] *adj. & pron.* 无论什么, 不管什么

repay [rɪˈpeɪ] *vt.* 偿还; 报答

counter ['kaʊntə] *n.* 柜台

envy ['envi] *n. & vt.* 羡慕; 忌妒

afterward(s) [ˈɑːftəwəd(z)] *adv.* 后来; 以后

voyage ['vɔɪdʒ] *n.* 航海; 航行

on board 在船(飞机、车)上

leak *n.* 漏洞, 漏隙

crew [kruː] *n.* 全体船员; 全体乘务员

mate *n.* (商船的)大副; 助手  
 experienced [iks'piəriənst] *adj.* 有经验的; 老练的  
 seaman *n.* 船员, 海员, 水手  
 pump *n.* 泵; 抽水机; 打气机(筒)  
     *vt.* 用泵抽水(打气)  
 despair [dis'peə] *n.* 绝望; 失望  
 will *n.* 意志; 决心; 愿望  
 so long as 只要  
 deck *n.* 甲板, 舱面  
 fail *vi.* 失败; 不及格  
 fault [fə:lt] *n.* 缺点; 错误; 过失  
 Liverpool ['livəpu:l] *n.* 利物浦(英国西部港市)  
 bless *vt.* 保佑; 降福

## NOTES TO THE TEXT

1. in search of some books 相当于 trying to find some books.

in search of 意思是 searching for (something or someone)。又如:

I looked everywhere in search of my glasses.  
 我到处寻找我的眼镜。

They went into the woods in search of the lost child. 他们到树林里去寻找失踪的孩子。

2. I shall try them all, or I shall not know whether I could get one. 我要到所有的书店都去试试看, 不然, 我

就不会知道能不能买到一本。

all 可以放在直接宾语或间接宾语之后，但这个宾语必须是宾格人称代词。又如：

I know them all. 他们我都认识。

A Happy New Year to you all. 祝你们大家新年快乐。

He sent us all presents. 他托人给我们大家都捎来了礼物。

or I shall not know whether I could get one 中的 could 可改为 can。用 could 说明买到书的可能性很小。在这里 could 和 can 都指将来时间，时间上没有差别。

3. ... I want to know about the places he used to go to. ……我想了解他过去常去的那些地方的情况。

know about something or someone 意思是 have information about something or someone(了解关于某事或某人的情况)。

You can't fool me, I know about your secret plan! 你骗不了我，我知道你的鬼把戏!

I don't know him, but I know a little about him. 我不认识他，但是我听说过他。

he used to go to 是定语从句(前面省略了 that)，修饰 places

4. if I live 只要我活着。(除非我死了。)

if 在这里的意思是 as (so) long as(只要)。



5. It'll do just as well then, and I shall have twelve cents left to buy some other book. 那也可以,而且我还可以剩下十二美分去买别的书。

It'll do just as well then = It'll do just as well as the new ones then

do 在这里的意思是 be fit or able to be used for a purpose(适合,可用,行,可以)。又如:

If you don't have a pen, a pencil will do. 你如果没有钢笔,铅笔也行。

The little bed will do for my little sister. 这张小床给我小妹妹睡就可以。

I shall have twelve cents left 中的 left 是过去分词,作宾语 twelve cents 的补足语。

6. At the boy's last remark the bookseller looked at him. 听到那男孩最后的那句话,卖书的人就看着他。

句中第一个介词 at 表示动作、感情的原因,意思是“因……而; 见(听)……而; 一……就”。又如:

I was frightened at the news. 我听到那个消息吓了一跳。

She was very pleased at her son's achievements. 她因儿子取得的成绩而非常高兴。

The baby stopped crying at the sight of his mother. 这婴儿一看到母亲就不哭了。

7. More than I can ever get. (= I want more books than I can ever get.) 我要的书多着呢(我买多少书