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The Importance of Respect

After seeing the 3-frame cartoons, I have a lot of sympathy for the cat's reaction. I guess he must have done something embarrassing, and realizing people around him notice the thing he makes such as releasing gas, et cetera. The cartoons remind me of one thing similar to this situation. One day when I was waiting for an elevator on campus, there were crowds in line. Suddenly, I heard of an argument came from the people in front of me. One obese girl was asked to leave the elevator by a boy due to the overload alarm of the elevator. "You should walk more instead of taking the elevator for your health" says the boy. Some people next to them were laughing. When I overheard those words from the boy, I noticed the girl's response. She tried to explain the reason she took the elevator. "The class I attend is in the tenth floor and I have a knee injury" says the girl. However, the boy just continuously teased the girl with mean words. Finally, the girl ran away crying. And the boy seemed very proud to what he did. At that time I was very angry to the boy's attitude because I knew the girl's emotion is hurt severely. I think the boy just like to play a joke on anyone. Maybe he doesn't mean to say those words, but he never knows how terrible damage will make on someone because of those words. For him, that day was just a common day, but for the girl, the day was definitely a nightmare in her life. I strongly believe that if the boy still keeps this attitude, he will definitely learn a harsh lesson. After all, the one who never respect other people cannot go any further.

The author of the cartoons gives us a very good example to inform us that we should respect others when we want to respect us by the use of fun cartoons. I think this characteristic almost disappears in our sociality. Everyone just likes to see celebrities doing something embarrassing or silly in order to tease them. That is the reason why those gossip media like Apple Daily become so popular in Taiwan right now. If we want to be treated respectfully, we'd better learn how to treat others respectfully first.

In conclusion, I think sometimes I did the same thing as the boy did before I saw the incident. But after that, I really realize this is wrong thing. I hope whoever reads my article can be influenced by it and learn how to respect others. And one day the incident happened to the girl will not happen again.