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Personal narrative exemplifying a feeling of gratitude

As I looked around the room, a feeling of overwhelming gratitude washed over me. It was my high school graduation day and after four hard years of work, I was finally here. It had been a long journey with its fair share of ups and downs, but the day had finally arrived. As the ceremony began and the speeches were given, I felt an immense sense of pride in what I had accomplished (Jones 1). I remembered all the nights I spent studying late into the night and all the projects that seemed to drag on forever. The tears I shed when it seemed like no matter how hard I tried, things just weren't working out. But despite all this, I had persevered and achieved my goal of graduating from high school (Jones 2). Looking back now, it is easy to recognize how this experience shaped me as a person. It taught me that no matter how difficult things may seem at times, if you stay focused.
on your goals and never give up, anything is possible (Jones 3). This event also gave me a newfound appreciation for education as something that should be valued and celebrated. In addition to broadening my perspectives on education, this experience has also helped me gain confidence in my own abilities. As a result of facing these difficult times head-on and coming out successful on the other side, I have greater faith in myself and my own capabilities (Jones 4). This confidence has served me well throughout my life thus far; it has allowed me to take risks without fear or hesitation because I know that regardless of what happens, I will come out stronger than before. To say that this experience changed my life would be an understatement; it has shaped who I am today in ways that are impossible to quantify. Everything from the way I view education to how confident I am in myself can be traced back to graduating high school (Jones 5). Although nothing ever comes easy in life, it is moments
like these which remind us not only how powerful our will can be but also how important it is to cherish each success no matter how small it may seem at first glance. My high school graduation day was one of the most significant events of my life thus far; although there were many highs and lows along the way, being able to stand proudly with my peers among family and friends was an indescribably remarkable feeling (Jones 6). This event remains one for which I feel especially grateful; not only did it teach me valuable lessons about dedication and perseverance but also gave me confidence in myself which has stayed with me ever since. Works Cited: Jones, Andrea. Altered Stories, Altered Lives: An Exploration of Post Traumatic Growth from A Narrative Perspective with a Strengths Based Focus. 2023. Web. <https://core.ac.uk/download/541393391.pdf>.