

Human rights

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Abstract:

I am Yuki Arakawa, I am 16 years old.

First of all, I was told by my doctor that I have "Asperger Syndrome."

This means I can't do some kind of things even though I try hard.

For example, it is very hard for me to pile up building blocks or to read the time on an analog clock in spite of my very best.

So some people ignore me or make fun of me.

I go to school for doing better work.

By the way I'd like to tell you about horseback riding I love.

How do you think of horses?

Have you ever touched or ridden a horse?

I think there are few people touching horses every day in Japan.

I love horses, and they are very important friend for me.

Horses are cleverer than dogs or cats, and they get along well with people.

When I'm with horses, I can understand their feelings and I believe also they do.

When I am irritated, they become irritated.

When I treat them gently, they will be gentle.

For horse training feeding is not so important but to understand each other.

Physical contact is the best way for understanding each other.

Touching or cleaning them with a brush is also important.

When you hear the word "jockey," I think most of you imagine a person who is just good at riding a horse. Actually, Jockeys have to take an examination too.

It is very difficult for me to pass the entrance examination.

I suffer the wide learning range and many special kanji.

But when I think about the horse I love, I can study with my very best.

When I was a first grader, I used to get up at 4:00am every morning to take care of my favorite horses and return home at 7:00am and I finally go to school.

You may think it's very tough, but it's not a big work for my favorite horses.

The most important thing in my life now is making a good relationship with horses.

But I suppose it may change as I grow up.

I will look for what's the most important thing for me each time, and keep on making an effort and doing my best all the time.

I'm very happy when the people around me understand my efforts and encourage me.

Horses also have feelings of pleasure or sadness as same as people.

We can be best friends with horses even though they can't speak. In spite, we human beings often dislike each other or bully the weak.

I never do this.

I love horses!

And I love my friends and the people around me.

I'm sure these feelings are very valuable for me and I will never forget them.

Thank you for listening to my speech.

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Hello, everyone.

I am Yuki Arakawa, I am 17 years old.

I am active in the Japanese parents association for people with intellectual disabilities, Numazu branch.

First of all, I was told by my doctor that I have "Asperger Syndrome."

This means there are many things I can do but there are some things I can't do even though I try hard.

For example, it is very hard for me to pile up building blocks or to read the time on an analog clock even if I try hard.

Select the same two from among these blocks.

Pile up the blocks as in this photo.

Almost all people can make it easily.

... I can't.

What time is it?

I don't know which the correct time is.

Therefore, sometimes people look down on or ignore me.

I feel so sad.

Because of the Syndrome, I am sometimes ignored, labeled a fool and bullied.

I'm in my school be better at things I can and can't normally do.

I go to a school for the handicapped in Shizuoka prefecture.
Shizuoka is in the middle of Japan, near Mt. Fuji.
This is the picture of my school.
You can see a snowy mountain. This is Mount Fuji
Changing the subject, I'm going to tell you about horseback riding, which I love.
I've been learning horseback riding for 11 years at the foot of Mt. Fuji.
And these are my favorite horses.
The brown one is Skippio and the other is Love-Hawk
What kind of impression do you have of horses?
Have you ever touched a horse?
Do you have any experiences with horseback riding?
I think that there are few people in Japan who come in to contact with horses every day.
I love horses, and being with them is very important in my life.
Horses are cleverer than dogs or cats, and they get along well with human beings.
When I'm with horses, I can understand their feelings.
On the other hand, they can understand my feelings.
When I am irritated, they become irritated.
When I treat them gently, they will be gentle.
Usually horses are really well-behaved.
But when they are irritated, do not stand in front of them.
If you stand in this zone, I'm afraid they will bite you.
If you go up to them from behind, they may kick you.
Basically feeding is not necessary for horse training.
Understanding each other very well is the first priority for horse training.
To do so, physical contact is the most important thing.
Touching their bodies and cleaning them with a brush are very important.
When you hear the word "jockey," I think most of you imagine a person who is just good at riding a horse. Actually, Jockeys have to take an examination too.
It was very difficult for me to pass the entrance examination.
It's very hard for us because the learning range is so wide and we should learn many special kanji.
I would like you to introduce the special Kanji of some parts of the body of horse.
But when I think about the horse I love, I do my best and make a lot of effort.
When I was a first grader, I got up at 4:00am to take care of my favorite horses every morning. Then I returned home at 7:00am and I went to school.
You may think it's very tough, but for me it's very valuable work for my lovely horses.
The most important thing in my life now is making a good relationship with horses.
Skippio and Love-Hawk understand my feelings.
When I feel sad, they cheer me up.

I know sorrow exists in the world.

So I would like to give many many smiles to my family and friends.

I hope sadness will die in the world.

I hope this world will be filled with smiles.

But I suppose it may change as I grow up.

I will look for what's the most important thing for me each time, and keep on making an effort and doing my best all the time.

I'm very happy when people around me understand my efforts and encourage me, and don't laugh at me.

Horses also have feelings of pleasure or sadness the same as people do.

We can be best friends with horses even though they can't speak. In spite, we human beings often dislike each other or bully the weak.

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