

MD-Literature -Putzi-Primary

*Ty's Beautiful Day*

My story describes a beautiful day, a day that Ty fits in and wins!

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One February day Mrs. C. Smith's first grade classroom got a new kid named Ty. Everybody wondered who he was I did, too. Ty quickly became my friend. He is a very special kid. He loves to give hugs and kisses to all of his friends. When I compare Ty to my other friends, he is very unique. It is harder for him to follow rules in our classroom, sometimes I have a hard time understanding him when he talks and I don't think he can read or write very well.

Two of my teachers selected me to go on a field trip with Ty last May. I was chosen to be his buddy for the day. There were about 15 of us from Shipley's Choice Elementary School that all rode on the bus together. Our day long field trip was to The Special Olympics at Ridgeway Elementary School. The day was beautiful, sunny and warm. After a short opening ceremony, with lots of other schools, we broke up into teams. Ty and I got to be with some of our friends. All of us went to our first station, a throwing contest. Every person on our team got to throw the ball. We all tried really hard. During the rest of the morning, we all moved around to different outdoor areas. We got to compete in one more throwing contest, a jumping contest and a race. After the games, all of the kids from Shipley's had lunch together under a tree.

The last activity of the day was a closing ceremony. All of the schools came back together at the outdoor basketball court. We were told to sit with our buddy and our team. There were some speeches, then they began announcing the awards. As they began to announce the winners, I was feeling nervous. Then they said our names. Ty and I came in first place, we won our division! We were both very happy! We won a shiny gold medal and a fun goody bag.

Beauty to me, that day, was seeing Ty fit in. Beauty to me, that day, was seeing Ty accomplish all of the games. Ty was just like every body else that day. He could do all of the games on his own. Even though Ty doesn't play sports, he and I won first place together. Ty smiles every day but that day it was special. In school some people think he is different. But that day he really was different, he was a star!

Ty and I are really good friends and that was a beautiful day.

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