Worksheet 2

Being an Inspiration

Many people who have gone through the struggle with cancer have worked hard to make a difference afterward and become an inspiration to others. To be an inspirational figure is to live by example and to encourage others to do something: perhaps to be strong, to work hard, to help others, and maybe even to become inspirational themselves.

Visit **http://livestrong.org/get-help/learn-about-cancer/survivor-interviews/interviews-with-caregivers** and look for the inspirational story from cancer survivor Taylor Matthews. Think about how this story is a record of challenges and accomplishments. Taylor's story is a moving drama, but it can also serve as a concrete lesson for us.

In the space below (and on a separate sheet of paper, if necessary), write an essay about the qualities that the subject of the story portrayed in her fight against cancer. In the second part of the essay, compare these qualities to those of well-known heroes—real or fictional—and see how similar the qualities are.

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