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Reading and Me

Pages turning, Mysteries brewing, what more could you want? Towers of books all over the room. I pick one up and then "Poof!" there is a new book in my hands. I guess reading is one of the greatest activities I am good at. ~~Does this~~ Did this ability to read come to me like fur ~~does with a~~ comes with a cat? Did I have to practice like a bird does to fly? Stick with me and you will see the reasons I am ~~good at read~~ at reading. ~~Wet W~~

Well lets start with ~~et~~ the first two questions. I guess that my ability to read these marvelous stories ~~with~~ came from both practice and being born with it. In first grade I knew how to read the "big words" that my friends and class-mates didn't have a clue how to read. The words would come so ~~easly~~ easily out ~~o~~ of my mouth that every one would be amazed.

In fourth grade this ability ~~helped~~ helped me to become a mentor for second graders. By the end of the year the boy that I worked with knew how to read almost the best out of everyone in his class. ~~Being~~ Being good at reading taught me ~~that~~ the skills of how to teach someone else to read. If I had the chance to teach that boy again I would jump right up ~~and~~ take it. ~~It~~

It takes ~~some~~ some skills to read but not ~~very many~~ much. First of all you have to know the language tha ~~the~~ the book is in.

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If you ~~dont~~ don't know the language you should learn it or get another book. Secondly you need to start at the right level of books. Don't pick a really hard book and try to read it. ~~Pi~~ Pick books that are easy to read and then work up ~~to the~~ to those hard books. Lastly do not rush through a book. Read books slowly so that you will understand the book and enjoy it better. Those are the skills that I have learned over the years, and they are why I am good at reading.

As you can ~~se~~ see some people, like me, can read just about any book ~~e~~ you can give us. Others have to work on skills and they have to start at really low levels of books and work up to hard ones. It took me some practice to read, but if I can do it then you can do it, too.

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One ~~off~~ thing im good at is talking on the phone. ~~I~~ talking on the phone is fun. I get to talk to my friends and not boys or my boy friend. Thats all I do at home! Its really fun and I spend hours doing it, I would call it a "Natural Talent". The good thing is that I don't get in trouble for it. Its not hard all you have to have is alot of friends some numbers and something to talk about. Its my favorite thing to do in my spair time. If me and my friends are laughing on the phone about something we'll make funny noises like snort while were lauging. I have a lot of fun on the phone we tell jokes and stories. The phone is my best friend. Its also takes patients and time to sit there and hold the phone but ive acomplished it by talking on the phone for hours and hours. Well now you know one of the things im good at.

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Wrestling

Do you have a special talent? I do and it happens to be wrestling, not the fake WWF Smackdown stuff, I'm talking about the real deal.

It takes a sharp mind and body to wrestle, you have to always believe you can and will defeat your opponent. Also, ~~If~~ if they are squeezing the life out of you you have to be tough to get out of there.

You must also be determined, so if you are down in a match you can keep cool under fire. You also need to be concentrating so you know exactly what to do when they put a move on you, or what to do when you put a move on them.

A wrestler never goes to his back either, because that's how you get pinned, by have your shoulders touching the mat for a certain amount of time. Wrestlers are constantly moving on the mat, always on their toes ready for anything.

Being a wrestler is tough, and hones your mind to think like a wrestler. It helps to have a mean streak, ~~but~~ you have to want to hurt ~~the~~ your opponent.

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You have to want to win so bad, that you will squeeze his eyes out for it.

That is what it takes to be a wrestler, it keeps you is top shape and is a great sport, that is my talent, and that is what I love to do.

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Bilding Legos

I'm really good at mocking legos. I have made different monsters, stations planes, cars. Bilding Legos is easy, just put a bunch of Legos to gether and TaDa! You got a giant ship that can smoshup stuff. Or a car that can drive up a wall. Or a sub that can shoot lasers and nukes. Bilding Legos can be fun but you got to know how to play whit them.