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Uncovering the Mysterious Student

There once was a student who nobody really noticed that much. He had blond hair and blue eyes, and was of an average build, that of neither a heavy set person, or someone that is skinny. His best characteristic was his intelligence, and his ability to think situations over thoroughly. Though at times he was very outspoken, more often that not, he was shy and withdrawn. This was not because he preferred not interacting with people, but he preferred being alone most of the time, and because of this introverted personality, he never tried to make new friends or participate in campus events. Most people saw him as an enigma, very mysterious and dark, but a few people knew he was a very good person.

He always wore the same type of clothes, with an occasional shirt with a smart remark. Of course, he would always think that the shirts he wore were hilarious, yet many people never receive the intended joke. Even though he hated going to school on the days he attended, and that each day was hard and tedious, he fervently pushed on so that he could fulfill his goals, and let nothing stand in his way. Not only did he attend school, but he had a part time job working as a computer systems engineer on the weekdays he did not attend school. He was very happy that he had the pleasure of working with such great people, and even when there were mornings that he wished he had stayed in bed, he was still glad that he had another day to make the world a little better.

Although his goal in life was set, he sometimes had hard choices in which direction to take to end up at that goal. He was majoring in computer science, and had contemplated

pursuing a minor. After much debate and planning within his own head, he decided to pursue a minor in physics, since he enjoys learning about the way things work, and loves to look at the beauty of nature. He struggles still with the fact that he wants to move out of the house, but cannot because of circumstances, like money, and resents the fact that he has to drive back and forth between home, work, and school.

Not everything about his personality is something that everybody loves. Many people tell him that he is too structure to have any fun, and that he is too negative. He does not think that though; in fact, he believes that he is not negative most of the time, but he does like to call things like they seem by him. His tastes are also different from what many people would consider normal. Though he does not usually wear them casually, many of his clothes have a punk or gothic influence, and though people sometimes stare or wonder, he enjoys the attention of doing something off the wall.

His biggest fear is not being liked, though he would say otherwise. With such harsh criticism that people liberally give out everyday, he wonders how anybody could feel good about themselves. One crowd will tell him he is too much like them, and the other crowd will turn him away also. It is hard for him to find a place to fit in, but at the end of the day, he realizes that the people who actually care matter more than the general crowd.

As with many things, one may not understand it until it is described to him or her. As in this case, an introverted boy is shown to be much more than silent and shy. Although once he was a mysterious stranger, a new perspective on the shy person can be gained. He proves to be a unique individual indeed.