**Brown students care deeply about their work and the world around them. Students find contentment, satisfaction, and meaning in daily interactions and major discoveries. Whether big or small, mundane or spectacular, tell us about something that brings you joy. (200-250 words)\***

"Pour the water from inside out... just gently..." my dad said.

I was enjoying an afternoon with my father, who had been working a bit too much for our family’s liking. That day, he was brewing his own coffee and decided to teach me how to make pour-over coffee.

He poured it effortlessly in a spiral direction similar to the Fibonacci spiral. Snickering at my trembling fingers that struggled to replicate his actions, he guided my hand, giving me a feel for the movement.

My dad explained, “This is my favorite coffee. It has notes of caramel and berry.” It was apparent why it was my dad’s favorite; I could drink it every day.

In the next few days, I ordered a pour-over coffee whenever I passed by coffee shops, requesting the same beans my dad used. But I was never able to get the same kick from the beans, which left me baffled. I eventually gave up.

When the next opportunity came along to have coffee with dad, I sat across from him with my very own mug of his brewed coffee. To my surprise, the very first sip to the very last was heavenly.

After much pondering, I realized it wasn’t the coffee I was after. It was the quality time I got with him that left me with a feeling of contentment. This is something I have always looked forward to since then, even though they come few and far in between.

Hi Brian:

I think this is a refined draft! Notes as per the above comments.

All the best.

Thalia