

# Autobiography of Joyce Mutati

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A Journey of Resilience and Growth

# Introduction

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- Life is a journey filled with joys, sorrows, and profound moments.
- This autobiography shares the experiences that shaped me.
- From childhood to academic and personal growth, join me in traversing my life's tapestry.



# Early Life and Family Background

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- Born in Kitui county, Kenya.
- Parents: Father Mutati (farmer and teacher), Mother Rhodester (farmer).
- Bond with brother John: shared adventures and responsibilities
- Importance of education emphasized by family.
- Memorable family trips to the Nairobi National Reserve.

# Kiliku Primary School

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- Modest school environment; inspiring teachers.
- Passion for reading and writing fostered by Mrs. Musyoka.
- Participation in sports, debates and cultural events.
- Lead role in school play “The Lion King”

# Kyondoni Girls' High School

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- Transition to a rigorous academic environment.
- Influential teachers :Mr. Mutua (mathematics).
- Involvement in clubs, debates, and science competitions.
- Passion for volleyball; lessons in teamwork and discipline.
- Overcoming academic challenges; achieving a good grade.



# The Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic

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- Challenges of online learning and adaption.
- Economic strain on family ; importance of resilience and unity.
- Lessons in mental health, self-care, and staying connected.

# Dedan Kimathi University of Technology

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- **New phase:** Transition to Nyeri for higher education.
- **Contrast:** From rural background to a vibrant campus with advanced facilities.
- **Major Decision:** Pursue Computer Science due to passion for technology.
- **Influential Figure:** Mr Kagiri's mentorship in shaping academic path.
- **Diversity:** Encounter with students from varied backgrounds.
- **Achievements:** Success in the annual tech innovation competition with a geofencing integrated maternal health system project.

# Personal Growth and Challenges

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- Managed overwhelming demands of school university.
- Adapted to new social norms and educational environments and learned coping strategies.
- Learned the importance of perseverance , resilience, and support from loved ones



# Looking Ahead

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- **Accomplishments:** Final year at Dedan Kimathi University of Technology.
- **Future goals :**
  - Secure a position in a reputable company.
  - Pursue innovative projects and further studies.
  - Contribute to technological advancements and societal impact.
- **Gratitude:** Appreciation for family, mentors, and challenges faced.
  - Excited about the future and committed to making a positive impact.

# Extracurricular Activities and Hobbies

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- **Reading:** Passion for science and personal development; source of comfort and inspiration.
- **Volunteering:** Community service and environmental conservation, memorable tree-planting initiative in the village.
- **Impact :** Engaged in societal issues and fostered community unity.

# Achievements and Milestones

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- Community service award for volunteering efforts.
- Validation of commitment to social responsibility



# A Vision for the Future

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- Hope and ambition : Excited about the possibilities ahead.
- Long-term Goals: Contribute to advancements in Computer Science, Address real-world problems with technology and innovation.
- Community Service: Support education environmental conservation, and social justice.
- Relationships: Build and nurture connections with family , friends and peers.

Life is often filled with challenges , but it is also brimming with dreams and aspirations that drive us forward , providing motivation and purpose