**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)**

If you told me that I would be teaching at 15, I would call you crazy. But thankfully, this small class of 8 sneaked their way into my life. It started with just 3-hour sessions once a week where tutoring at educare was simply a big math problem, finding X and solving for Y. But unbeknownst to me, I was the highlight of the week for my students, and eventually, they would also be mine.

Tutoring became more than just “teaching”. As Mario started to understand his divisions faster, Dina also started to ask me about periods and breast changes. I was big sister Shelby. Although tutoring was not a big sacrifice to be proud of or something to brag about, I will truthfully say that it’s one of my biggest accomplishments. The satisfaction of watching them go from confused faces to one of relief with understanding is far greater than any reward I’ve received. Through them, I learned that joy is not measured by objectives such as the size or reach of impact, but by the reactions of the receiving end.

Bringing them joy became my joy. My personal scrapbook became filled with trinkets and scribbles of my 8 students and photos that my dad sneakily captured of us. It's my  personal memorabilia of my students' growth, something I cherish more than the awards I’ve received.