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Finishing the Movethon and Overcoming Fear of Losing

If you want to know about hard choices, doubt, and support then you have come to the right place. My experience was running in a thing called the movethon. Ji-li was a girl who wanted to do the Class Education Exhibition. But she was unsure if she would fit in. Ji-li struggles to decide what path she should take in the book called *Red Scarf Girl.* When I was at the movethon, I was wondering if I should keep running or just walk the rest of the way.

Ji-li doubted herself and was out of place. Teacher Zhang encouraged her to try. Ji-li decided to try to do her best because of the encouragement she got by Teacher Zhang. In the beginning of the chapter it was mainly about the class exhibition. In the middle of the chapter it was about Ji li having second thoughts about the class exhibition. “Teacher Zhang, I’m sure there’s someone in our class who can do a better job. You’d better find someone else” (197). From this quote I think Ji-li really does not want to do the class exhibition and wants someone else to do it.

At the end of the chapter Ji li went back to the class exhibition. (198) She will do the class exhibition only because Teacher Zhang said some words to encourage her. At the beginning of the book Ji-li doubted herself but now she does not. Ji-li tries to do the class exhibition no one is pushing her but herself.

The movethon is a running experience with different kids to run and I was doing it to get better at running. I was at the beginning of the movethon I started to run.

I was getting tired but I kept pushing myself. I was running and breathing really hard but I kept going and surpassed people. I was getting closer and closer to the finish line but I was getting slower and my legs were getting tired. I had to stop. Ji-li was encouraged by Teacher Zhang just like I was when I was running. I stopped and walked, people surpassed me, my friends encouraged me by saying keep going, you're almost there and good job, so I kept running.

I learned that it is okay not to get 1st place, you just have to try your best. Ji-li was worried about not being able to fit in the Class Education Exhibition and I was worried I would not be able to get 1st place. Ji-li and I both try our best and we are determined to get something done. But we do not do the same thing. This world can be harsh but we do learn that you have to try your best not be the best. It doesn’t matter if you're the best at running the best at the class education exhibition, it just matters that you try your best.