THE BEST ADVICE I EVER HAD

I received the following advice from Ralph Bunche, who was United Nations Undersecretary and Nobel Peace Prize Winner.

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Ralph Bunche

My mother and father were both successful business people. My father was a successful businessman, and my mother was a successful businesswoman.

My grandfather was one of the richest and most successful men in the world. He had everything he wanted in life.

He always taught me that success comes from hard work and dedication. He always said that things won't come easy, and that you have to work hard to achieve your goals.

One day, I was sitting with my grandfather and he gave me some advice that I will never forget.

He said, "Life is like a journey. You have to take it one step at a time. You can't expect everything to come easy. You have to work hard for what you want." He added, "Remember, success is not overnight. It takes hard work and dedication."

I will always remember his words. They have guided me through many difficult times in my life.

IDIOMS

(47) to do or to try

The doctor examined me and told me to take some rest.

(48) to hold on to

I held on to the railing as the boat sailed through the rough ocean.

HESTER

When the sun came up, the sky was clear and blue.

JIMMY'S DAILY TALK

An Afternoon before Easter

(Easter is a time for families to come together and reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. It is a time for us to remember the love and forgiveness that God has shown us through His Son.)

Mother: We'll have to wait until tomorrow to see how the weather turns out.

Mothers: Oh, I forgot that I should have written to my piano teacher. She gave me a set of piano pieces last Christmas, and I have to get them back to her.

Easter: Yes, you've got it. It is really one of the masterpieces, not very easy to learn.

Mary: I am thinking of giving the Crucifixion.

Mother: Of course, don't you remember our choir is going to sing Handel's "Crucifixion" next Sunday morning at the special service.

Mary: I'll sing the alto part. I've practised more than enough.

Mothers: Yes, I have got it. It is really one of the masterpieces, not very easy to learn.

Mary: I don't think we'll give any party this time. Why don't we just go up to the park to enjoy the fresh air and sunshine?

Mother: And possibly the rain.

Mary: No, I am not sure. I should go and see my piano teacher. She gave me a set of piano pieces last Christmas, and I have to get them back to her.

Mother: She may be able to have Easter dinner at home. I think some chocolate eggs and a set of handkerchiefs might do better.

(The door bell rings.)

Mary: It must be Jimmy. Jimmy, you answer the door, I'll fetch the clothes for him to change.