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# Samantha's Life: The Talent Show

## Chapter 1: The life of a popular girl

Hi, my name is Samantha Parker, and I am the most popular girl in the entire school. Take note that Laywigh middle school is a K-8 school, and I am only in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. I've been in this school since Kindergarten, and I've been popular every year. I mean being popular is my thing!

Today we have a talent show in our school, and let me tell you something, every year whenever our school has an event like this, that day is CRAZY! For example, Brian came into class after playing on his phone for 30 minutes today, and Mr. Henry told him to just have a seat! Mr. Henry is our reading teacher and he is so unpredictable. Since today was the day of the talent show, he said everyone needed to relax but then made us write an entire essay. Isn't that crazy?

My second period is history, the most boring class. The only reason is because Mr. Brown always gives big, long speeches about a topic and never gives us any hands-on activities. The one thing that I am excited for is the talent show in the gym which is right after History! I just have to remember to stay energetic and to look straight instead of at the people. Nobody knows, but I secretly have stage-fright.

## Chapter 2: Spotlight

All the shows so far are pretty boring and I am pretty sure the whole audience is super bored because I've seen them all yawn at least 10 times so far. Anyways, it's my turn right after Sidney Walkers. Last year Sidney got 2<sup>nd</sup> place but that does not mean she can beat me. All she did last time was do some lame gymnastics which were all so easy, and if she is doing that again, she is definitely not taking my 1<sup>st</sup> place trophy since I have a super cool gymnastic-dance with the coolest music ever.

Sidney gets onto stage and suddenly music turns on but this is not any normal music, it is the same music as mine! Not only this but she is doing cool steps that are not the same as mine but just as cool! Does this mean that in the first time in history, I am actually competing with someone just as cool as me! As soon as her performance is done there is a loud roar in the audience and the judges look so happy. This is not good at all.

My name is finally called and I go up on stage. My music turns on and I start my performance. Luckily everyone is still watching normally and the judges do not look bored; the only thing that concerns me is that Sidney is the color of a chili. She is so mad! I finally finished my performance and everyone gave me the exact same expressions as they gave Sidney.

I guess I was the last one because right after me the judges start whispering to each other. Just then Ms. Sheldon, 1 of the 5 judges stood up. She said, "First of all good job to everyone. Next we have our big winners. 3<sup>rd</sup> place is John Girah, 2<sup>nd</sup> place is Charlie Seth, and 1<sup>st</sup> place is Samantha Parker and Sidney

Walkers. They both did equally good and will have a tie-breaker in 20 minutes. Their challenge was to come up with a new competition in 20 minutes.”

### Chapter 3: The perfect Idea

Did she just say what I think she said! Sidney and I have a tie-breaker and in only 20 MINUTES! I’ve never tied with anyone in my entire life and coming up with another performance in 20 minutes is impossible! Whatever, I just have to think of something I already know, practice it once now, and this all has to happen fast.

Since I go to dance class I should be able to come up with a dance I know but I have to know and remember the entire dance and should not get confused with any other dance. If it is something I learned new, I have a better chance of remembering it.

That’s it! I can do the hip-hop dance that I finished learning a week ago. Even better, I have the music on my USB. I’ll just practice my steps without the music really quickly now and then do the real performance with the music since I only have 10 minutes left.

### Chapter 4: The Tiebreaker

It turns out that I have to go first this time and I am freaking out right now! I give my USB to the DJ and show him the song. The music starts as soon as I find my spot. Everyone seems to have liked this performance even better than my first

one. The clapping fills the gym as soon as I run off the stage to get my USB.

It is Sidney's turn and she looks so frightened because her face is as white as a cloud. Her music starts and she starts dancing. It sounds like everyone likes her dance just as much as mine, based on the reactions. Again, the clapping fills the gym.

The judges and students start whispering to each other about the winner. After 10 minutes the decision is made and the same judge, Ms. Sheldon, as before stands up and says, "Everybody settle down. Choosing the winner was very hard but Samantha beat Sidney by 1 point, so our grand 2014-2015 talent show winner is Samantha Parker. Everybody give Samantha a round of applause and Samantha, come get your trophy!"

Is this really the truth or am I dreaming! I actually won over Sidney! I feel so great! Even though I am so popular and I already knew I would win, this is an unforgettable accomplishment for me! Today is the best day I have had in years!

