

Dear John,

It is not easy to tell you this, but I still need to say it. I'm leaving you. Our relationship has been great, but I'm afraid it's over.

Leaving you truly breaks my heart because you're really a fun friend, and I am never bored when you're around. You have inspired me to connect with others and to communicate better. I can ask you anything, and you will probably help me find the answer. You've introduced me to so much—new music, new games, new knowledge, new friends, and so on.

In fact, things have been completely different since you came into my life. When I wake up, you're always there to help me go through my friends' updates on Instagram. Because of you, I check my LINE app throughout the day. When it doesn't show any new messages, I still refresh the screen, just in case I've missed something. All of this might sound romantic, but it is really difficult for me to focus on my schoolwork.

In addition, having you around is hurting my relationships with others. When my friends and I hang out, I turn to you for Instagram updates and ignore everyone else. My friends try to talk to me, but I am too busy paying attention to you. Then, when I'm at home, I always just play with you or respond to messages. Doing this late into the night means I seldom speak to anyone in my family! As a result, my parents are both angry and disappointed with me.

Please don't take any of this personally. You're truly awesome, and I'll miss you very much. But right now, I really need to focus on my studies and spend more time with my family and friends. Therefore, I am turning you off for the last time, goodbye.... Best wishes, Sally

KFC is a famous and popular chain of fast-food restaurants all over the world. Because of KFC's popularity, many people are familiar with the image of Harland Sanders, the man in the company's logo. However, most people do not know that he faced many difficulties on his journey to success.

When Harland Sanders was a young boy, his father passed away. This meant that Sanders had to help out his single mother in the kitchen. Over time, he developed a love of cooking. In his early life, he had a number of jobs. However, his love for cooking never faded. At the age of 40, he started to sell his special fried chicken at a gas station in Kentucky. In time, the delicious fried chicken, with its eleven herbs and spices, became very popular. Some customers even came to the station just for the food! The success of Sanders's fried chicken allowed him to open his first restaurant a few years later.

When Sanders was 65, something unexpected occurred. A new road was built, so people no longer passed by his restaurant. Because of this sudden change, Sanders's business began to struggle. Soon, he wasn't earning enough money to run the restaurant. This made Sanders take action. He decided to visit restaurants across North America to sell his fried chicken recipe. Unfortunately, his recipe was rejected over one thousand times, and he was often forced to sleep in his car.

Nevertheless, Sanders never stopped believing in himself and finally sold his recipe. Within several years, restaurants that used his recipe started to spread all over the country. These restaurants were known as "Kentucky Fried Chicken." A drawing of Sanders became part of the company's logo. The huge success let Sanders achieve fame and fortune. Thanks to his hard work, people all over the world still enjoy this unique and delicious fried chicken today.

Once upon a time, a wise old man lived on the bank of a river with his family. This man strolled to the river every morning to collect water in two jars. However, one of the jars that the man used was old and cracked. Therefore, as the man walked along the path back to his house, water leaked out of this flawed jar and dripped onto the ground.

The old jar itself was very ashamed of this and felt awful for not doing its job properly. So, one day, when the man was fetching water as usual, the old jar decided to share its feelings and to apologize for its terrible flaws.

“Kind sir,” it said in a voice which was heavy with emotion, “I’m so sorry that I always let water leak out. To be honest, I have no idea why you keep using me.”

The man looked at the jar, smiled, and replied, “Actually, you’re doing a wonderful job. Just look at the ground, and you will see how helpful you have been!”

The jar looked down and saw many beautiful flowers and vegetables which it was dripping water on.

“I was aware of your cracks all along, my friend,” the man explained, “so I decided to scatter seeds from time to time on your side of the path. You have watered them every day for the past few months and helped them grow very nicely indeed. Thanks to you, I’ve been able to decorate my home with many fresh, sweet-smelling flowers. I’ve also been able to give my family delicious carrots and cabbages to eat. All this has only been possible because of you and your cracks.”

Just like the cracked jar, some people are good at certain things and not at others. However, if we look at our shortcomings from a different point of view, we may find that flaws can sometimes be useful, too.