

Learning English through Workplace Communication

Dear Andy,

Hi, my big bro. I received your letter recently. I know that you want to be part of the circus instead of continuing your studies to become a lawyer, and you really did it! All of our family members get a great shock, including me. So why you want to be part of the circus and give up your rare chance for being a lawyer? Well, my mind is in chaos now, maybe yours too. Let me talk about what I think about the circus and the related jobs.

First of all, I am convinced that taking jobs of any kind in the circus is risky, at least a bit risky. Are you sure that you can take part in the job that you like? A stunt man, a joker, an assistant, a janitor or a cleaner? No matter which job you have chosen, you have to work in danger. Maybe the lion keeper forgets to lock the cage or the lock is broken, and you're done for. Or maybe you get hit from the man who 'launched' from the cannon. You may sit in wheelchair or lay on bed. Do you want us to meet you with 'redness'? I doubt if we really like this 'special' meeting. Rethink your choice if you really know the consequences.

Apart from the dangers of taking a job in a circus, why don't you think about how the chance of being a lawyer is not commonplace. In my opinion, this chance is once-in-a-life-time, you have to cherish this chance that may change your upcoming life. As time goes by, you will lose more and more experience, right? It's hard for you to make up for lost time. As you keep delaying your schedule, you will gain less fame. The choice of being a lawyer is second to none. If I were you, I would pick to be a lawyer with no doubt. I won't even think about being part of the circus.

Oh, do you know what our parents think? When I told them what you think, they almost shout out very loudly, and yes, they shout out loudly. After an hour of talking, to be frank, they just tell me it is an unwise choice, with certainty, and I am in catch-22, I want to back you up but I can't go against our parents! Besides, they think the chance of being a lawyer is not persuasive. How can you just give up and chose to be a joker? You need to have the vision to predict the consequences!

Finally, it's up to your choice. I have your back. But I think you have to cherish the chance too. I prefer to see you in suit than in a funny outfit. Hope to see you soon, in 'one-piece'!

Love,
Chris Wong