

Prejudice Presents

Community Members

Nurse
Computer Engineer
Cheerleader
Soldier
Banker
Librarian
Professional Athlete
Science Teacher
Babysitter
Hip Hop Artist

Presents

Swiss Army Knife
Poster of the Night Sky (stars, moon, planets)
MP3 Player
Silk Suit
Subscription to Sports Illustrated
Book of Poems
Gift Certificate for a Manicure
First Aid Kit
Computer Game
Children's Book

Character Descriptions

Nurse: Ricardo left his home island of Puerto Rico to join the United States Military. He was trained as a field medic where he would jump from airplanes and provide medical care to soldiers in need. After the Army, Ricardo decided to enter nursing school. When he is not busy studying medicine, Ricardo spends his time hunting and fishing with friends in the nearby mountains.

Cheerleader: Every since Jameela was a little girl, she dreamt of being an astronaut. In high school, she studied hard and earned a full scholarship to college. Today, she studies astronomy and hopes to work for NASA. In her free time, Jameela loves to dance. She recently tried out for her college's cheerleading squad, hoping to dance off the stress of her studies!

Babysitter: Mario has always liked kids, so when a family in his neighborhood was looking for a part-time babysitter, he applied for the job. Mario spends mornings babysitting and afternoons working as an Assistant Coach for a high school soccer team. He is also in night school, studying for a degree in sports journalism.

Librarian: As an only child, Zev filled his days with reading. After studying Middle Eastern Literature in college, he landed a great job at the University's library. On the weekends, Zev volunteers with a reading program for children who have immigrated to this country. Every summer, the volunteers take the children camping, and this year Zev is in charge of gathering all the camping equipment.

Professional Athlete: When Anya was little, her mom worked at a restaurant near a golf course. After years of watching golfers, Anya taught herself to swing a club. One day, the owner noticed her practicing and encouraged her to take lessons. With his help, she developed into a top notch golfer and in time, was able to 'go pro.' Anya is married and has two young children. She splits her time between competing on the golf circuit and taking care of her family.

Banker: As a kid, Anita loved playing board games that involved money. In college, she studied business and now works downtown at an international bank. On the weekends, Anita blows off steam by going on long runs. She likes to run solo to the beat of her favorite music and hopes to someday compete in a marathon.

Computer Programmer: When someone was having a problem with their computer, they would call Beverly – she would always know what to do. As an adult, Beverly took a job as a computer programmer, and after several years, ended up running the computer company. As the President, Beverly regularly meets with business people from all over the world. Last year, Beverly was on the cover of *Software Magazine* as one of the “Top 10 Most Successful Women in Technology.”

Science Teacher: Mara teaches science at the local middle school and tries to make her classes exciting for students. Though she is a big fan of the sciences, her first love is computers. (She always used to beat her brother at computer games!) Voted “Most Popular Teacher” at her school, Mara uses technology, field trips, and wacky experiments to make science fun!

Soldier: Mei joined the Air Force in hopes of flying planes, but was so good at speaking both Mandarin and Cantonese that she became a translator. Today, she flies around the world and acts as the translator for high-level military meetings. Next month, Mei's twin sister is getting married back at home, and Mei will be the maid of honor. Even though Mei jokes about wearing her military uniform to the wedding, she really is looking forward to getting all dressed up!

Hip Hop Artist: André grew up on hip hop. He loved the way young people were able to tell powerful stories by combining words and rhythm. Inspired by poets like the great e.e. cummings, André started writing song lyrics in high school. Soon thereafter, he joined a band and is now writing songs for his third album.