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Word List

Voice: Female 1

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Fawn

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Conclusion

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Short Passage
Voice: Female 2

Nucleus Hero: Taylor Smith

When rowing on the water, Taylor Smith is calm, sure that she's headed in the right direction. She trusts that she will arrive safely. It's a lot like the trust Taylor has in life. No worries, just a certainty that she's in for a smooth ride. It's a confidence that comes from having a cochlear implant.

"With an implant, there are no limitations to what I can do. I'm able to reach for the stars as far as I can," Taylor says wholeheartedly.

Yet for Taylor, a junior National Rowing Club champion, the future hasn't always looked so smooth. Contracting meningitis at 17 months rocked the boat a bit. She was left profoundly deaf in both ears. Afterwards, she wore hearing aids and learned to lip-read. Life was quiet for Taylor. Then at four years old, she received an implant.

"I remember going into surgery feeling somewhat excited and scared of what lay ahead. When I came back six weeks later to get hooked up, I couldn't believe it. A whole new world had opened up to me. I finally could hear what I had always longed to hear most—my dad's voice."

Taylor was quick to learn that life would be affected forever by the implant. Twelve years later, she still has a unique appreciation for the implant, saying it has helped her achieve a great deal.

"It has shaped me as a person. I have accomplished so much that I never would have. I go to a public school. I'm on a rowing team competing for Nationals again this year. With an implant there are no limitations to what I, as a deaf person, can do."

Taylor wears an implant in one ear and a hearing aid in the other, and claims she can hear everything.

"I love having conversations and understanding people fully without having look at them. I love having clear and long talks on the phone, even on the cell phone. I love the fact that wearing the implant doesn't make me feel like an outsider or different in any way. I love the feeling that I'm fully living and learning about life."

For this rower, life is but a dream.

Conclusion

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