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Tai was very excited about Wan-ting's rapid progress and brilliant achievement. He said, "Generally, one would take five years of practicing in order to pass the level 9 exam. However, Wan-ting only spent one and half years of practicing as a first grader."

Such outstanding performance sounds amazing to others, but Wan-ting deserved every moment of her achievement from every second of effort she put in. She not only worked hard to earn such a great accomplishment, but she also had support from her parents and teachers, who industriously taught, accompanied and encouraged her. Indeed, this was a great accomplishment that everyone worked on.

On March 20 1994, when Su Wan-ting was a second grader, she participated in an abacus arithmetic exam held by the Children's Abacus Association and passed the beginner's level for the first time. Two months later, on May 15, Wan-ting participated in another abacus arithmetic exam held by the Tri-Association and passed the level 5 exam.

Su Wan-ting had again achieved something incredible. Further, she passed level 7 in an abacus arithmetic exam held by the Children's Abacus Association as a third grader on September 18 1994. With such a great achievement at such young age, this was not only setting an unprecedented record in Tai's history of teaching, but also broke records in the Tainan area. As only a third grader at that time, Su Wan-ting became famous and earned broad media coverage. On November 5 1995, when Wan-ting was a fourth grader, she passed "level 13," the highest record of the Advanced Level in Taiwan, in a special mental arithmetic exam held by the Children's Abacus Association.

She became the pride of Dong-guang Elementary School. On August 4 1996, her school organised the Third Annual Contest of Mental Arithmetic and attracted thousands of contestants to participate.

Su Wan-ting “skipped three levels” and became the champion of the Junior High Group. Moreover, she helped to retain the championship for her home team, Dong-guang Elementary School, exciting all of the teachers and students in Dong-guang. Still only a fourth grader, she had already set the super record of “level 10 in abacus arithmetic and level 14 in mental arithmetic.” From kindergarten to fourth grade, she had spent only five years achieving this accomplishment. For others, such tasks might take one to two decades to finish.

Three months later, on November 12 1996, as a fifth grader, Su Wan-ting participated in a special Advanced Level exam in mental arithmetic held by the Children’s Abacus Association in order to challenge the highest Advanced Level, level 15. On the day of the exam, she became the focal point of the whole audience and all of the judges. She finished 50 questions in two minutes, and got all of the answers correct. However, the judges decided that the part of the answer for the last question wasn’t marked clearly, so it couldn’t be considered correct. Although she didn’t pass level 15 because of this minor inaccuracy, she was still elevated to level 14 and also became the highest-level record keeper of the Advanced Level in Taiwan.

Tai was very happy about his student’s success. Regarding Wan-ting’s achievements: “Although Wan-ting was not very good at it at first, she studied hard and was willing to make progress every day. Besides, she had great support from her mother and family, and with their help she was able to achieve such great results.”

In order to maintain Wan-ting’s strength, Tai Chiang Ching continued to help her practise and participate in exams and competitions voluntarily without charging her a fee. Tai even said to his students and their parents, “With such outstanding performances, it is my pleasure to continue to groom Wan-ting.”

In order to encourage students to break through their own difficulties, the CMA established an incentive scholarship: “If students put in an excellent performance, they will receive a scholarship as a token of encouragement. If a student can pass one level of the mental arithmetic exam, 50% of the tuition fee could be waived; passing level 10 could get 100% of the tuition fee waived.”

In addition, if a student can pass level 10 of both the abacus and mental arithmetic exams, Tai will buy him or her a bicycle as a reward.”