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Chen Yijie

“Chen Yijie has once again won the championship on the OnlinePractice in Xiamen area. The teacher will reward Chen.”

Yijie won first place on the Online Practice of CMA again. He was also praised by the CMA teacher, Chen Cai. He was very happy, and his parents were also proud of him.

Yijie was a kindergarten student. Actually, he was not good at calculating and lacked confidence compared to his peers. According to Chen Cai, when Yijie first attended CMA, he could not focus in the class. In the one and half hours of class, he wanted to leave the classroom four to five times. That made the teacher worry if he had any learning disability.

After the teacher started to teach the “Understand Abacus Mental Arithmetic, Image and Numbers, Formula of Abacus Mental Arithmetic,” he started to instruct Yijie to do the “Online Practice.” They first started from the simpler part of “15 questions” and practised the image of first, second, and third digits. They then continued on “Advanced 10 questions,” and then level 13, 12, and 11, and so on.

At first, Yijie was not willing to do the homework in “Online Practice.” His calculation speed was slow too. Later Yijie’s mother noticed he had a classmate whose skills in abacus mental arithmetic were already at level 3. Mrs. Chen then asked that child’s mother for ways to help her child improve his skills in abacus mental arithmetic. The mother replied, “My children would start to practise online after school”. Yijie’s mother then talked about it with her husband. Mr. Chen then started to accompany Yijie to practise online every day. At first, Yijie needed his father to urge him to practise online. After one to two weeks, Yijie then could practise online voluntarily.

Yijie's parents were so surprised that he was "addicted" to online practice every day. Yijie even got up early at 5 or 6 o'clock in the morning to monitor his practicing results online. After half a year, he earned first place in the Xiamen area for three times.

Yijie's parents remembered Yijie could not pay attention to the class and even couldn't solve a simple math question before. He also didn't like to go to school. Now they were amazed that Yijie can do mental arithmetic. They collected all the award certificates Yijie earned and put them on the wall.

Since Yijie was encouraged and had found the sense of achievement that he had never experienced, he was willing to make extra effort to practice. Thus his performance always surpassed other classmates.

When Yijie didn't like to study and was not good at calculation before, Yijie's father didn't like to bring him out. After Yijie had great improvement in abacus mental arithmetic, his father often happily brought him to join gatherings and asked him to demonstrate the calculation to surprise everyone.

Wu Jianhui

Wu Jianhui's mother said, "At first, Jianhui didn't even know how to do simple arithmetic, but after attending CMA for three months for about 20 classes, his skill in basic calculation has improved and was three times better than other classmates."

Mrs. Wu remembered when Jianhui was attending the third year in kindergarten, he had difficulties in learning simple arithmetic. Mrs. Wu also tried to help him, however, Jianhui still couldn't succeed in learning it. Mrs. Wu was then really frustrated and worried about Jianhui, since his other classmates could learn the simple arithmetic without any problem.