Amy's Dream Inayah Shabazz & Chelsea McShurley

Pre-Reading Questions:

- What **inspires** you to **achieve** your dream profession?
- What problems might you have to overcome to achieve your ideal profession?

When Amy was a young girl, she was **sick** for a long time. She had many doctors who tried to help her. Although she was sick for many years, Amy became **healthy** with the help of the doctors.



After seeing how the doctors helped her, Amy also wanted to help many other sick children when she got older. Amy knew that **becoming** a doctor would not be easy, but she was **determined** to reach her goal.

Amy went to school and always got good grades. This allowed her to **enroll** in a great university and enter **medical school**. Amy always worked hard. However, this sometimes **prevented** her from having fun with her friends.



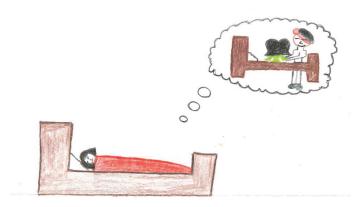
"Hey, Amy, we are going to the park. You should come with us," Amy's friend said.

"Sorry, I cannot. I have to do my homework," Amy sadly replied, looking at all of her homework.



"I do not know if I want to be a doctor anymore. This is too hard," Amy thought.

While studying that night, Amy fell asleep and dreamed about her childhood and when she was sick. In her dream, Amy remembered that the doctors always took care of her and always made sure she was comfortable. When Amy woke up, she **realized** why she really wanted to be a doctor. She wanted to help people and make them feel better.



"Wow! That was a crazy dream," Amy said, and she continued studying. This dream reminded Amy that she was inspired to help others because of the doctors from her childhood.

Studying was still difficult, but Amy no longer considered it a **burden**. After finishing medical school, Amy helped many children get



better. She still had fun with her family and loved being a doctor.



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