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Title of your Paragraph Here

Introduction

Hook: write a catchy phrase

"You feel like you aren't being honest," said Dave. "Exactly," said Sam. "And you want.." said Dave. "You want to come out... and be honest."

Title and Author: Give the title and author of what you are writing about.

Sam the athlete by Stewart McLean

Background Information: Give some background info about the short story, poem, novel etc.

Sam wants to be an athlete but when he finds a team it is all girls.

Topic Sentence: This is the main idea of your entire paragraph. What will your paragraph prove: Make active voice.

Sam should continue to wear a skirt when he is playing field hockey.

Supporting Details: Give examples/quotes, support to prove your topic sentence

If sam wishes to wear a skirt who should stop him? The school continued to allow sam to wear the skirt even when they found out his was a boy. Though out history pants were for boys and dresses and skirts were for boys. But now, girls can wear pants too. So what does society have against boys wearing skirts and dresses. Sam is expressing his right to wear what he wants, it follows the dress code, we know since it was given to him by the coach. At least he was decent enough to shave his legs. Even if he gets bullied for it, it is only middle school. He can change in high school if he is desperate enough. Plus, skirts and dresses are very freeing, and easier to move in.

Closing Sentence: Sum up and state how you have proven your topic sentence

Sam has every right to wear a skirt. He enjoys it and that is what is important. No one has the right to stop him, everyone was accepting of his choice and wearing the skirt did not influence his ability to play field hockey.