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Toulmin System: Remembering Essay

Enthymeme: My sister soon taught me valuable lessons because she showed me that every person has talents and that we should appreciate the gifts of others.

Claim: My sister soon taught me a valuable lesson

Stated Reason: Because she showed me that every person has talents and that we should appreciate the gifts of others

Warrant: Learning to recognize and to appreciate the talents of others is a valuable lesson

Backing:

*Discuss why we agree that diversity makes the world more interesting and allows humans to work together to make the world more full and beautiful

Grounds:

*Describe my thoughts as an eight-year-old child

*Discuss my initial reactions to Kari's mental retardation: treated her poorly and was afraid of her

*Describe the day all my views changed

*Describe and explain the moment my preconceptions of Kari died

*Describe our "game"

*Conclusion/discuss the ultimate lesson: Kari has taught me more than any "normal" friend. She has taught me to appreciate the gifts in all types of people.