

## Foreign Language Virtual Learning

# What does it mean to be resilient?

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### 6th Grade Foreign Cultures Lesson: May 13, 2020

#### **Objective/Learning Target:**

I can write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.



Warm Up: What events in your life have made you a stronger person?

I have become a stronger and more resilient person from having two children. I have to maintain my equilibrium and calm in order to be a good parent to my children. As an individual, I didn't have to maintain emotional control. If I react too strongly to events that are usually out of my control, my children will pick up on my emotions such as anger, worry, or stress. Children usually pick up on the emotions of the adults around them and I want them to feel safe not stressed.



Watch the film, Everything is Incredible, again if necessary.





Now let's move to the <u>slideshow</u> to answer more in depth questions about Agustín's character and motivation.

The title of the film is taken from Agustin's statement, "The problem is that everything is incredible and people don't accept it."

What do you think Agustin means by this statement? Write a paragraph responding to the following questions: How does this statement relate to Agustin's life, his disability, and his efforts to build a helicopter and fly? Why might the filmmaker have chosen this statement as the film's title?



The great American novelist, Ernest Hemingway, once wrote, "The world breaks everyone and afterward many are strong at the broken places."

How might one's character strengthen after being broken by the world? Describe a real person, or fictional character from a book or film, who endured obstacles and became stronger. What strengths were gained? Do you notice any similarities between this character and Agustin? If so, what?



#### **Additional Resources**

William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer, The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind (New York: HarperCollins, 2009).

Available at Mid-Continent Public Library as ebook and audiobook.