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LJWL MEMORIES

In Creative Writing Fiction with Breeann Kirby, we did a warm up assignment to briefly write about "Brobot" who was the main character in stories Professor Kirby would tell her son. We were told Brobot went on all kinds of adventures but at the end of each one fell into a pit of lava. As a tribute to Professor Kirby and for our last short story assignment, I decided to expand upon this short assignment and write a 2000+ word story with Brobot as the main character. It was funny, a little dark, subtly addressed social issues, and, of course, ended with Brobot falling in a pit of lava (classic Brobot!). It was probably the most fun I've had writing fiction and my favorite fiction piece I've written to date.

I chose to submit this story to the Sci-Fi Lampoon for potential publication by Professor Kirby's recommendation and encouragement. Three hours after submission it was promptly rejected with the opening line saying "It was a good story, sadly the humor didn't quite do it for us." I love the image of some editor reading a story of an inside joke that took a life of its own and being so confused and appalled that they rejected it in record time. To this day I've never heard of anyone being rejected for publication in under three hours and I'm honored that Brobot was the one to pull off this stunt.

WHAT'S NEXT

I should probably work somewhere after I graduate, still need to look into that... Travel would be great. I'm attempting to roadtrip the entire US and write a creative nonfiction book about it. I would only need about \$7500 to do it so if you're looking to sponsor this dream let's talk!

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

That's an interesting question. I don't really feel the need to hope for much. I know God has a good plan for my life so I'm just kinda along for the ride and excited to see what He has in store. I'm very content as of now (maybe check back in a few months and see where I'm at with that).