

# HIS BACKGROUND

HE IS MY STEE DAD WHO D. S WELPED RAISE ME SINCE I WAY Y VERES OLD HE NAS CAME ALL THE WAY WAY FROM BOSHTA NOT KNOWING ANYTHING WHEN HE FIRST COME TO AMERICA HE CAME TO AMERICA AT THE ACL OF IL-IY. HE WAS COME TO AMERICA BECAUSE OF A WAY THAT HE GAT WE DETWINTELY BO CAYOHT IN BETWEEN. HE SO NOW 35 YEARS OLD AND LIVING ID A HOUSE WITH HE GAT WE EMAILY AND



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## WHY IS HE MY INFLUENTIAL RELATIVE?

HE IS MY INFLUENTIAL RELATIVE BECAUSE HE HAS CAME TO THE U.S NOT KNOWING ANYTHING ABOUT THE LANGUAGE OR THE CULTURE. HE SLOWLY BEGAN LEARNING LITTLE BY LITTLE BY OTHERS HE'S BEEN AROUND. I CHOSE MY STEP-DAD BECAUSE HE MADE ME BELIEVE THAT YOU COULD DO ANYTHING IF YOU KEEP PUSHING YOURSELF TO DO IT.

#### ABOUT HIM

MY STEP-DAD WAS BORN ON SEPTEMBER 4, 1982 MY STEP-DAD HAS ALWAYS BEEN WORKING HARD HIS WHOLE LIFE, FROM WHEN HE FIRST CAME TO THE US AND LEARNING ENGLISH FROM SCRATCH TO WORKING AND TALKING TO MANY MANY PEOPLE IN ENGLISH. HE IS MOT ONLY WORKING HARD BUT LIVING IN A BEAUTIFUL CITY OF CHICAGO

## WHERE IS HE FROM?

MY STEP-DAD WAS ORIGINALLY FROM BOSNIA BUT HAS CAME TO THE U.S. BOSNIA IS A COUNTRY LOCATED SOUTH OF OF EUROPE AND EAST OF ITALY. HE HAS CAME TO THE U.S BECAUSE AT THE TIME THERE WAS A WAR GOING ON BECAUSE OF THE SERBS AND CROATS. THEY WERE LIVING THERE BUT WANTED TO ANNEX (AN EXTRA PART) THE BOSNIAN TERRITORY RESPECTIVELY. THERE WERE ALSO MANY OTHER FACTORS IN ADDITION TO ETHNIC TENSION TO THIS WAR. THE WAR IS WHAT HAS CAUSED HIM TO COME TO THE U.S AND LEARN A LANGUAGE THAT HE HAS NEVER KNOWN EXISTED.

# HOW LONG DID IT TAKE? WHY IS HE SO IMPORTANT TO ME?

MY STEP-DAD HAS BEEN LEARNING HIS WHOLE LIFE AND STILL IS. HE WANTED TO PROVE TO PEOPLE THAT HE COULD DO SOMETHING THAT EVERYONE ELSE COULD DO EXACTLY THE SAME WAY. HE IS MY BIGGEST INFLUENCE BECAUSE HE HAS PRETTY MUCH CAME TO THE U.S WITH NOTHING BUT FAMILY THAT NEEDED SOMEWHERE TO LIVE. HE OVERCAME THOSE PROBLEMS AND KEPT PUSHING HIMSELF TO BELIEVE THAT HE WILL BE THE SAME AS EVERYONE ELSE AND NOTHING DIFFERENT. YES HE HAS TAUGHT ME A LESSON TO ALWAYS PUSH AND BELIEVE THAT YOU COULD DO SOMETHING THAT PEOPLE SAY YOU CAN'T DO.

