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Interview with Mr. Snelling



What do you like about this country?

I like the people. They're very nice when you get to know them. The food is good but not too often. It's too heavy. The architecture and the cities are beautiful of course. And I like the nature a lot. I try to get out of the city as much as possible and see what's going on.

What are your favorite things to do in your free time?

Hiking, I like to read, I really love books, cultural stuff from time to time, concerts and cinema.

If you could travel right now anywhere, where would it be and why?

Zanzibar has been on my list for a long time. It's hot. People don't often go there. It seems like a cool place. Good beaches. I do like summer in general.

What do you miss the most about the US?

Amazon.com...because you never have to go to the shop or anything like that you just click on what you want and the next day it's at your house. No. Friends, family, things like that. I miss having a car sometimes.

What are some of your favorite places in Prague?

I live in Vršovice and that's been cool to get to know the restaurants, stuff like that, lots of parks all around there. I also like Vyšehrad. It's a really nice, usually, quite place.

Who is someone that inspires you and why?

I've always been inspired by visionaries, people who invent things, who do big things like the Google guys, Steve Jobs a little bit. So people that actually make changes in the world, have an idea and go for it.

Neon

He's in the clouds

And it's wrong, all wrong

*He's not supposed to be there
when I look up*

I thought he occupied the ground

*Only the hopeless and helpless
are allowed*

He's not

But I let him into my mind

He's buzzing like a neon sign

And it's wrong, all wrong

(Kira Grófová)

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One thing that makes you really happy?

Traveling is definitely something I enjoy. Peace and quiet actually makes me really happy. (my Senior Business class of course)

Where do you and your colleagues buy the suits?

I guess the last big trip was to ZARA. They were having a suits sale. And once or twice we've been together. It was before Graduation last year. We were like: "We just finished Maturita, it's been a rough week, let's get new suits." And we all had new suits for Graduation.

If you had to pick one song to describe yourself what would it be?

If I had to have a theme song like my entrance music it would be a song called: "Sweatpants" by Childish Gambino. And the main hook is like: "Don't be mad cause I'm doing me better than you doing you." And in reality it would be Led Zeppelin's songs. They were my favorite band in the high school.

What is your biggest accomplishment this year?

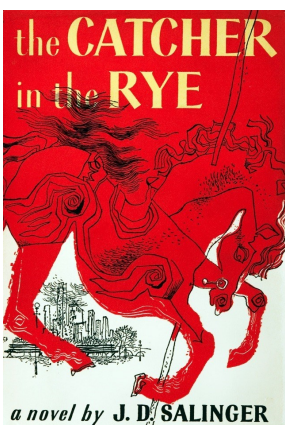
Business, I think. I focused more on the practical language for business and using it in practice. And that's been really cool to have my own class that I built up. (Radim Zacios, Kristýna Hánová)

The Catcher in the Rye

The Catcher in the Rye certainly wouldn't be everyone's cup of WHISKEY; however, I find it an exciting and compelling read, with a gallon of brutal reality poured in along with some humor, contrasting with moments of depression.

Despite being written in 1951, I think many teenagers would be able to relate to the various themes present in the book. It is a modern classic of the coming of age genre. I find the main character, 17-year-old Holden Caulfield, intriguing and as I read the book, it was fascinating to relate with him on many levels.

The whole story is almost a three-day flashback with occasional references to the present. One thing that sets The Catcher in the Rye apart from other similar novels, I think, is the frequent use of profanity - be warned! The heavy use of colloquialism is effective in making the reader relate to the characters better and make the characters seem realistic,



but on the other hand, if you're under fourteen, I would certainly not recommend the novel to you! It isn't only the language used that makes The Catcher in the Rye unsuitable for younger readers, but also the themes discussed, centered around the idea of morality.

I would like to end this review with a shout-out to my BOIS, Matěj Šulc and Magda. Thanks for talking about this book so often every Tuesday night. Go Green. (Sofia Špirková)

Crushed by a crush

Have you ever been in a situation, when you just couldn't stop thinking about someone? When you couldn't stop stalking them on social media, because all you wanted was to be in their presence? You kept thinking about the moments that you spent with this person and whenever you were with a really good friend all you could talk about was this person? And whenever someone told you that you can do anything with anyone... all you could possibly think about was doing everything with this person? Well, ladies and gentlemen... This, is what we call a crush.

Let me tell you my story of having a crush on someone, because I feel like whenever I have a crush on someone, it always ends up the worst possible way.

After a big amount of crushes I've had during this short life, you'd expect me to be prepared and to be able to avoid some sort of trouble right? But no, that's not me... I don't learn from my mistakes. I keep doing them over and over again and every time... it seems to be even worse than before.

Me and my best friend, Elis, have created a secret names for all of the crushes we have or had before. And the boy, who we'll be talking about now is called boy B on our list.

It all started at a party. I met him a pretty long time ago on a prom, after which we were texting for a long time. But then we somehow... lost contact. And I somehow lost interest in him. But everything started again few days

ago at a party. Elis and I went there and we had loads of fun laughing and drinking and doing loads of fun things. When the time to go to bed came we all started planning how we are going to sleep. Elis and her new boyfriend in his room, boy B and I in his sister's room and the rest downstairs on the couch. Well, we said yes, but we didn't know that his sister had a 90cm wide bed that we had to squeeze into. So we layed down on her bed and he put his hands around me. It was all really good, we talked, we laughed and we somehow cuddled. It was so amazing. I was waiting for him to kiss me, but it never came. We kept falling asleep and waking up all over. Until we finally fell asleep at around 5 am.

But I got up again at 6 am, when I heard boy A, aka Elis' boyfriend, making noises in the room that was just next to this one, getting ready for work. I thought that when we both wake up, he will just pretend that he was too drunk to know what he was doing and that he didn't even realize we were cuddling and that his... Teasing me, by touching me on many places, was just the stupidity of a drunk person. But no, he went on doing it even in the morning. Then we went downstairs and I layed down on the couch. Instead of sitting next to me, he layed down next to me and leant his head on my tights, brushing his hand lightly over it. I didn't know what to think.

And what was the thing that crushed me? Well, when Elis and I left we were talking about the actions from the previous night and I told her everything. But then... She told me that boy A,

Rozhovor s Jaroslavem Šilhavým – trenérem A týmu SK Slavia Praha



Rozhodla jsem se udělat rozhovor s trenérem A týmu SK Slavia Praha, Jaroslavem Šilhavým, najít nějaké spojitosti se střední školou. Tento rozhovor vznikl týden předtím, než se stala Slavia mistrem. Sami si můžete přečíst, co zajímavého jsem se dozvěděla.

Jaké vlastnosti by podle Vás měl mít úspěšný hráč, který vyniká nad ostatními?

Já bych vypíchl především, že musí mít fotbal rád od malička. Když si vzpomenu na svá mladá léta, my jsme tu „míčudu“ milovali a radovali jsme se. Když si promítnu sebe, fotbal jsem miloval. Samozřejmě první byl můj pocit, že se mi to líbí a že to dělám dobře, což byly branky, které jsem ještě za mlada dával. (smích) Následovala pochvala, která mě také posouvala výš a motivovala mě.

Bral jste jinak pochvalu od trenéra než od táty? Bylo to jiné?

Když jsem byl malý, tak to byla jedna osoba. Teď se to, ale všechno mění. Tato doba je dynamičtější, ale musím říct, že pořád je nejdůležitější mít fotbal rád a mít touhu něco dokázat.

Představme si, že je talentovaný 16letý hráč, který hraje v top klubu v České republice. Je možné, aby studoval gymnázium a vše stíhal v pohodě?

Já si myslím, že to lze. Dokonce mám kolem sebe kamarády, kteří vystudovali vysokou školu, ale v současné době to už tak lehké. To by hráč podepisující profesionální smlouvu musel myslet na to, že bude studovat a do kontraktu zahrnout to, že ho trenér uvolní atd. Podle mého názoru v profesionálním fotbale to není jednoduché, aby trenér uvolňoval hráče, aby šel do školy. Ale znám kluky kolem sebe, kteří to zvládají a klobouk dolů před nimi. Většinou jsou potom fotbalisté leniví, což je škoda.

Momentálně bojujete o titul, na hráče je určitě velký tlak. Myslím, že se dá porovnávat s tlakem ve škole – samozřejmě při těch největších testech – jak s hráči pracujete? Můžete doporučit nějaká cvičení?

Ano, velký tlak tady je a každý ho snáší jinak. Existuje spousta postupů od teambuildingu (např. my jsme byli na paintballu, naposledy jsme byli všichni na



večeři) po mentální kouči v kabině. Toto je hodně důležité. Každý potřebuje osobní přístup. Trenér hráče pozná a ví, kteří jsou více a méně nervóznější. Ale se zkouškou ve škole se to podle mě srovnat nedá, protože od tebe neočekává úspěch např. 15 000 fanoušků. Z toho můžeš vyvodit, že tlak na hráče vytváří média, hráč sám a mnoho dalších faktorů.

Máte Vy osobně nějaký způsob, jak se s tlakem vypořádat, protože na Vás je ten tlak také obrovský?

To je pravda, hráči vylezou na hřiště, zapomenou a vyběhají se z toho. Trenér to má složitější. Pomáhá mi, když si jdu zaběhat, zpotím se a přijdu na jiné myšlenky. Mám tři vnoučata, když přijdou, tak se to tady všechno rozsvítí. Ale když jsem přišel včera po zápase domů (remíza s Duklou Praha), tak to byla tma. Člověk si to pořád přetáčí v hlavě, ale dnes už je to v pohodě.

Jaký máte důvod k učení se angličtiny?

Já jsem začínal už mockrát. Ale protože jsem v České republice odmala, nic mě nedonutilo se angličtinu naučit pořádně. Na rozdíl od některým mých kolegů, kteří šli do zahraničí. Ti se museli učit, aby se dorozuměli. Žili v cizojazyčném prostředí a angličtinu se naučili. Naopak já jsem nikdy nikde nebyl. Ale v koutku duše si říkám, že by ještě nějaké angažmá ze zahraničí mohlo přijít, to je můj největší důvod.

Ve Slavii jsou hráči, kteří mají ambice hrát v zahraničí, máte nějaký program, který by jim mohl pomoci ve zdokonalení se v angličtině?

Český hráč má ambice se dostat do zahraničí, takže když nestíhá vysokou školu, tak minimálně se učit jazyk by mělo být automatické. Oficiálně klub pro hráče v tomto ohledu nic nedělá. Ale naopak ti hráči, kteří přijedou sem ze zahraničí, mají české lektory, kteří je učí česky. Ale je to menší procento, protože čeština je těžká. Většinou začnou a skončí. Ale když tady je hráč déle, například Deli (je to Afričan), umí už česky, ne úplně dokonale, ale domluví se.

A jejich agenti, nemají něco ohledně jazyků v programu? Protože agent má za úkol hráče podporovat a připravovat na zahraniční angažmá.

Agenti by měli hráči poskytovat veškerý servis, aby se tady začlenil. Když toto nefunguje, může to suplovat klub. Nebo například Flo, velice sympatický a inteligentní kluk, se s manželkou sami doučují. To je pozitivní.

Jak jsou na tom hráči z ciziny s angličtinou?

Většina, která tady je, tak umí anglicky. Z Afriky máme dva hráče, kteří umí anglicky, francouzsky i jejich jazykem. Mitchell umí i německy. A v neposlední řadě fotbalový jazyk je mezinárodní.

Děkuji Vám za Váš čas.

Hodně úspěchů.

(Josefína Saňáková)

told her that boy B has a girlfriend. That's the first thing that hurt. But then... There was the other thing and that happened two days after the party, when we woke up in the morning at my house and Elis opened instagram showing me a picture of boy B and a girl that he shared... And there was a caption #mornings right underneath.

Thanks boys. I don't know how you do it, but you always manage to hurt every single girl on Earth. The first thing that hurt was that he did this with me, even though he had a girlfriend. And the other one was that he did this to his poor girlfriend, which made me feel like piece of crap.

So thank you boys, for always being there to break us into pieces.

And what should you do about this? Well... You should forget him and move on. I know that's not what you want to hear, but... that's what you need to hear. Move on and keep yourself busy so you'd forget about him. I know this wasn't very helpful, but maybe... you can learn from my mistake, which is... Don't do anything with anyone, until you know them and know everything about them.

I hope that I helped you at least a little bit...

(Ema Janovská)