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Have you ever been to a Dragon Boat competition? As a child I remember that I had always been fascinated by the competitors all working together, moving in sync with one another, and to a child, it looked like such a beautiful dance. This is the beauty of group competitions, I suppose. As a bystander I get to watch people of different ages, looks, skin color, move together as if they shared one mind. As a competitor, I learned over the years, the beauty lies in each of us trusting one another, sacrificing ourselves to create something bigger than just ourselves.

Life is all about being around other people, other things. We can never have exactly everything that we want. Life situations and circumstances always have a way of being disappointing, and even if everything was perfect, not a single person will be, and we need to learn to live with one another's shortcomings. Sports and group competitions help train us in this way. We toss away our selfish desires in order to obtain something greater: fame, glory, happiness, and striving for a better future.

