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To whom it may concern:

Exams were just three weeks away. The pressure was on. I expected to see my 15-year-old seclude himself in his room and study. This year however, that did NOT happen. His only focus was gaming, while showing indifference to studying and attitude toward school! When I pressured him to study, he quite persuasively assured me that he knew his “stuff,” and convinced me not to worry. So naturally, I expected my convincing teen to know his work. But when I opened his Science binder to quiz him, I was stunned to discover that he did NOT know much of his “stuff” at all. In fact, when I saw his notes, I panicked! The gaming was shut down immediately, and the real battle was just beginning.

A week passed by. Just two weeks to exams, and my son was still displaying indifference to his studies. I couldn't deal with him... but I also couldn't let him fail! So, I called his school and received a list of qualified tutors, all of whom were overwhelmed with students with upcoming exams, save for Rahul at Sapphire Studies, who confirmed he was busy, but still made it a point to share his time with us. “It's all about scheduling” is what he confidently said.

After a lengthy and inspiring conversation, I connected with Rahul, albeit cautiously. He sounded so confident that he would help my son. However, could he really turn him around in such a short period of time? Was it worth the investment? Because of my time constraints, Rahul agreed to drive across the city to meet with us following day. For two hours he chatted, told stories and really spoke genuinely — from the heart, never judging. There was an immediate comfort level and trust. Rahul's strategies, combining common sense, positive attitude and humour, won us over.

My son's transformation began the next day. Using factual convictions and positive motivation, Rahul organized my son (from backpack to desk to proper lighting), and left him with a realistic, achievable plan covering the pre-exam weeks. In fact, my son HIMSELF shut down his gaming, and was inspired to focus on the studying ahead, just as Rahul had coached him to do. His exams results were a true testament of Rahul's excellent coaching. My son's efforts proved to be stellar — beyond anything I ever expected — a 92% on his Science exam!!!

In summary, Rahul is incredible! What he did a short period of time was amazing. He is not just a tutor. He is a caring mentor. He is a life skills coach. He teaches from the heart. He is a disciplinarian with his students' best interests at heart. His use of positive re-enforcement and factual discussion really motivate. Rahul used a common sense approach to teach my son learning skills, life skills, and much-needed organizational skills. When required, his quick responses and anecdotal speeches were not only motivational, but very entertaining – and in the end, it may not have been what my Son wanted to hear, but he was always so uplifting and kept his motivation high.

What a wonderful, rewarding and successful experience! We are forever grateful! And when all is said and done... Sapphire Studies gets results!!! It's a program that I highly recommend, if it's results that you're looking for.

Truly grateful,

Rose S.