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1. What are some of your personal biases?

- My best friend, during my 10th grade, was nominated in the student council as treasurer. I voted him as treasurer rather than his opponent or other candidates, even though I knew that his opponents were more qualified, deserving, and responsible for that position. I considered it my personal bias because I voted for someone I know, despite his lack of leadership and dutifulness. For me, being part of the student council or any organization must have competence, trustworthiness, and be well-trained. As usual, I always choose my friends and classmates because I do not want to disregard them. Seeing my friends having a goal makes me a supportive gal. For instance, during their campaign, I gave my Girl Scout subordinates the flyers to support their team. From my standpoint, it is significant to be on his side to boost his confidence and satisfaction. At the end of the result, he was elected as treasurer in the student council. With the help of our support and love for him, he proved that he was a capable leader to his underlings and student council officers.

2. How do these biases affect the way you deal with other people's views and opinions?

- Honestly, biases affect dealing with other people's views and opinions because having a mindset that insists on what you see, hear or believe may lead to negative thoughts and interactions. The impact of unfairness may be good or bad. In some cases, someone may benefit, while the other hand may not. Situationally, having an approach of favoritism is not good to handle in any situation because it can influence actions and decisions. In addition, I also acknowledge that I was not as foreseeable to experience difficulties from loss and was more likely to take possession of success than my peers.

But also, it is inevitable in a person to have bias decisions because it is hard to be constant. Furthermore, I am trying to eliminate that kind of behavior to stay positive in life. Positive mentality and right decisions foster positive and meaningful conduct.