

## 找‘道’

從前，有一個學生打籃球打得非常好。他叫王武努。他什麼運動都做得很好。每一次他的朋友告訴他 “武努，你打得太好了，只要有你參加，我們的校隊一定能打進決賽！” 他的老師們也說，“武努要好好打球，我們給你很容易的功課。” 可是武努不喜歡運動。每天他回家的時候，都走得很慢，他真的不是那麼喜歡打籃球。

有一天他在外邊打籃球，認識了幾個學生。這些學生只寫詩，不去上課，也不做功課。但是他們很高明。武努問他們，“你們這麼聰明為什麼不去上學？” 他們說，“你應該來跟我們一起去山頂。在那兒住了一位隱士叫老子。他教我們應該怎麼做才能活得很高興。”

所以王武努上山去找老子。認識老子以後，武努在山上住了很久。山上很安靜。老子教武努很多神奇的法術。老子說：“要找道你必須先把‘道’忘了。你出去打坐吧！” 有一天武努打坐打得很久以後，終於悟道了！

下山回家的時候，王武努覺得很高興也很難過。他現在想做什麼就可以做什麼，他知道怎麼呼風喚雨，也跑得非常快。他回來學校的時候，大家都很高興。因為武努住在山上的時候，他的籃球隊打得很不好。可是跟武努說話以後大家都覺得武努跟以前不一樣了。大家都說“我們學校的籃球隊一定打不到決賽了！” 王武努知道不應該把‘道’用來比賽，可是他也覺得他應該幫他的老隊友們。所以王武努打了他的最後一次的籃球賽。他在決賽時，打得又快又好。王武努的隊贏了。

贏了決賽以後，武努去跟老子住在山裡面。沒有人知道武努去了哪兒。可是很多人都說下雨的時候，他們可以聽到籃球掉在地上的聲音。

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隱士 yǐnshì /hermit  
安靜 ānjìng /quiet/peaceful  
神奇 shénqí /magical mystical  
法術 fǎshù /Buddhist techniques  
忘 wàng /to forget  
打坐 dǎzuò /to meditate  
啓發 qǐfā /enlighten  
哀愁 āichóu /sad/sorrowful  
贏 yíng /to beat/to win/to profit  
頂 dǐng /top  
聰明 cōngmíng /smart  
悟 wù /comprehend  
難過 nánguò /feel sorry  
呼風喚雨 hūfēnghuànyǔ: to summon wind and rain  
聲音 shēngyīn – sound

Long ago, there was a student who played basketball extremely well. He was called Wang Wunu. He could play every sport well. Everytime his friends would tell him, “Wunu, you play extremely well, if only you play, our school’s team will certainly arrive at the finals!” His teachers also said, “Wunu, you play very well, so we will give you easy homework.” But Wunu didn’t like sports. Every day when he would go home he would walk slowly, he really didn’t like basketball.

One day he was playing basketball outside and met a few other students. The students only wrote poetry, they don’t go to school or do homework. But they were very smart. Wunu asked them, “You are so smart, why don’t you go to class?” They said, “You should come with us and go to the mountain top. There lives a hermit named Laozi. He taught us how we should live our lives and be happy.”

So Wang Wunu climbed the mountain to look for Laozi. After meeting Laozi, Wunu spent a long time living at the top of the mountain. It was very peaceful. Laozi taught Wunu many mystical techniques. Laozi says: “To find Dao, you must first forget ‘Dao’. Now go and meditate!” One day after Wunu had been meditating for a long time, he was suddenly enlightened!

Returning home, Wang Wunu was happy and sorry to leave. Now he could do whatever he wanted, he knew how to summon wind and rain; he could also run extremely fast! When he got back to school, everyone was very happy. Because when Wunu was living in the mountains, his basketball team played poorly. But after talking with Wunu, everyone thought that he wasn’t the same Wunu as before. Everyone said, “Our basketball team certainly won’t make it to the finals!” Wang Wunu knew he shouldn’t use “Dao” in sports games, but he also felt like he should help his old team mates. So Wang Wunu played his best game of basketball. At the finals, he played both fast and well. Wang Wunu’s team won.

After winning the finals, Wunu went with Laozi to live in the mountains. Nobody knew where Wunu went. But many people say that when it rains, they can hear the sound of basketballs falling.

