Creating Your Own Future



A world so small . . .

Ke leon, ke tigre, e ku tatakut.

Come the lion, the tiger, I am not afraid.





My parents





The best gift . . .

Why are you studying so hard in school?

Who inspires you to work hard?



Where I am now . . .

WHAT IS, WHY and then HOW.

HOW do you get it?

We are born to the biosphere on Mother Earth.

The gift we receive is 3 billion heartbeats and 30,000 days.

Untitled, Jacob Steenwyk

How do you make every single day count?



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The Story of 3 Closed Doors = Opportunity







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I. KNOW WHO YOU ARE.

- Your deep driving desire
- Your passion
- Your purpose



You are what your deep driving desire is;
As your deep driving desire is, so is your will;
As your will is, so is your deed;
As your deed is, so is your destiny.

-The Upanishads

The Upanishads were written by sages of India between the eighth and fourth centuries BC.

There is one quality which one must possess to win, and that is definiteness of purpose, the knowledge of what one wants, and a burning desire to possess it.

Think and Grow Rich, Napoleon Hill

• A. Know your aspirations and strengths.



What are your aspirations?

What does a successful you look like?

•B. Know your limitations, your weaknesses. Overcome your hurdles.



Cultural Hurdles to ADVANTAGES

Be Shy Awareness Do not be assertive _____ Stay engaged and inspired – share ideas Sign of strength - belief in oneself Be very humble Please other people Non-issue; authenticity

SWOT Analysis

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Every adversity brings with it an equivalent advantage.

Napoleon Hill

What is a hurdle you were able to overcome?

II. FOCUS ON THE BIG PICTURE.

Embrace your entrepreneurial spirit. Be the best CEO of your life.

Vision / Mission Core Values Goals / Objectives Action Plans



The Big Picture

Proper perspective (hurdles to resilience, strength, preparation):

- stay the course & focus
- successes along the way
- be exhilarated by the journey
- forges a path, sheds light on every day.



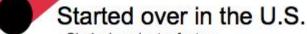
The big picture holds it together.

Career Path

Philippines

- Degree in Communications from University of Philippines
- Information Officer
- Published Articles
- Taught in College



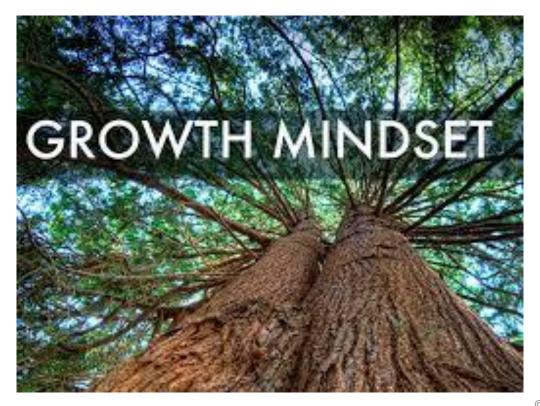


- Clerical work at a factory
- Typing numbers at a bank

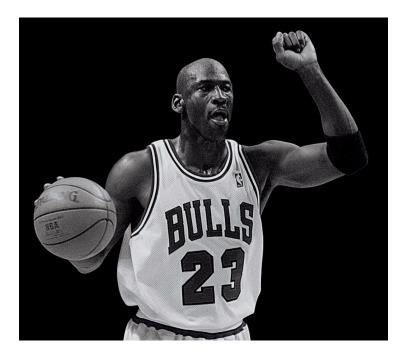
Do you take the time to look at your whole life and where it is going?

What does that perspective do to the problems of today?

III. NEVER STOP LEARNING. EMBRACE A . . .



Did you know that . . .



Cut from high school basketball team



Failed first photography class

Did you know that . . .



Fired as a writer for "having no imagination"

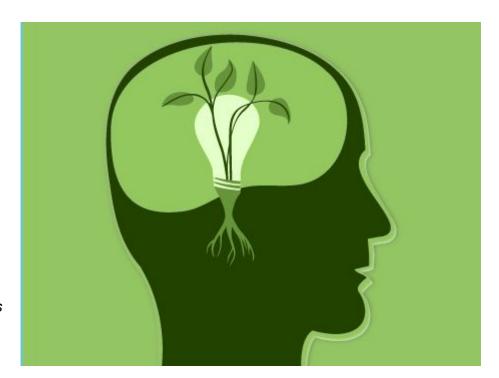


Revealed she was once homeless as a teenager

Growth Mindset

- Cultivate
- Different Thoughts & Actions
- Different Road

C. Dweck, Mindset The Psychology of Success



Cornerstone of growth mindset



Love of challenge + Belief in Efforts + Resiliency = Brightest Future

The Story Behind Forensis Group®

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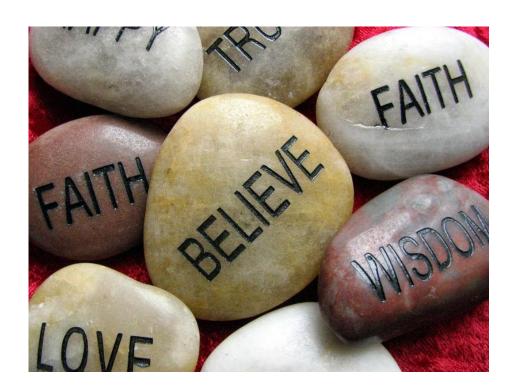
IV. SURROUND YOURSELF WITH INSPIRING PEOPLE. ELIMINATE TOXIC PEOPLE.

You are the average of the five people you spend the most time with.

As CEO: team = greatest asset



V. HAVE FAITH IN YOURSELF. BELIEVE IN YOUR PURPOSE.



Expand your mind and nurture your spirit always. Work on your centeredness as a unique and special individual. Be thankful.





Let your faith in life, belief in yourself, your purpose, love for your friends, family and mentors be the guiding principles in your life. Help others.







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The only way to predict your future is to create it.

Peter Drucker

Q&A Take aways