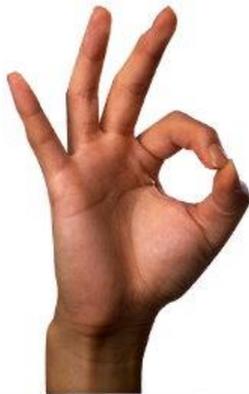


# 英語人的生活諺語



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## Words about life — by Raymond Yeung

- A cheerful heart is a good medicine. A downcast spirit dries up the bones.
- A cheerful wife is the joy of life.
- A crow is never whiter by washing herself often.
- A difference, to be a difference, must make a difference.
- A different world cannot be built by indifferent people.
- A friend to everybody is a friend to nobody.
- A good leader inspires others confidence in him. A great leader inspires them with confidence in themselves.

- A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.
- A joy that is shared is made double.
- A leopard cannot change its spots.
- A man cannot leave a better legacy to the world than a well-educated family.
- A man doesn't learn to understand anything unless he loves it.
- A mother is not a person to lean on, but a person to make leaning unnecessary.
- A successful marriage is one where the wife is the boss and she doesn't know it; one in which the husband knows when to remember and the wife knows what to forget; one

composed of three complete volumes: the Prayer Book, the Cheque Book and the Cook Book.

- A thing of beauty is a joy forever.
- A well-educated man should know something of everything and everything of something.
- A word of appreciation often can accomplish what nothing else could accomplish.
- Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.
- Abundance, like want, ruins many.
- Accept reality as it is.
- Accept the challenge, so that you may feel the exhilaration of victory.

- Accidents happen even in the best-regulated families.
- Action is more effective than words.
- Action is the proper fruit of knowledge.
- Actions speak louder than words.
- Adversity is the midwife of genius.
- Aim at the sun, and you may not reach it; but your arrow will fly higher than if you aim at an object on a level with yourself.
- All glory comes from daring to begin.
- Forgive and forget.
- All great discoveries are made by mistakes.
- All is well that ends well.
- All men are mortal.

- All serious daring starts from within.
- Always demanding the best of oneself, living with honor, devoting one's talents and gifts to the benefit of others — these are the measures of success that endure when material things have passed away.
- Always do right. This will gratify some people, and astonish the rest.
- An idea is something that won't work unless you do it.
- An idea won't work unless you do it.
- An open door may tempt a saint.
- An optimist laughs to forget. A pessimist forgets to laugh.

- And the trouble is: if you don't risk anything, you risk even more.
- Anger punishes itself.
- Anyone who stops learning is old, whether this happens at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps on learning not only remains young, but becomes constantly valuable regardless of physical capacity.
- As a well-spent day brings happy sleep, so life well-used brings happy death.
- As is the man so is his work.
- As the wind blows, you must set your sail.
- Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to

you.

- Assume a virtue though you have it not.
- Attempt the impossible in order to improve your work.
- Be always as merry as ever you can, for no man delights in a sorrowful man.
- Be glad of life because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars.
- Be life long or short, its completeness depends on what it was made for.
- Be still and have thy will.
- Before everything else, getting ready is the secret of success.

- Best things in life are either illegal or immoral.
- Better a glorious death than a shameful life.
- Better be alone than in ill company.
- Better late than never.
- Better master one than engage with ten.
- Better say nothing than say nothing to purpose.
- Better to ask the way than go astray.
- Better to do well than to say well.
- Better to wear out than to rust out.
- Better unborn than unbred.
- Birth is much but breeding is more.
- Brevity is the soul of wit.
- Burn not your house to rid it of the mouse.

- Business is the salt of life.
- Business makes a man as well as tries him.
- By reading we enrich the mind. By saying we polish it.
- Care and diligence bring luck.
- Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through the experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, vision cleared, ambition inspired and success achieved.
- Children must have at least one person who believes in them. It could be a counselor, a teacher, a preacher, a friend. It could be you. You never know when a little love and support

will plant a small seed of hope.

- Complacency is the enemy of study.
- Confidence in yourself is the first step on the road to success.
- Constant vigilance makes fatigue, then negligence.
- Content is better than riches.
- Continual cheerfulness is a sign of wisdom.
- Learn all there is to learn, and then choose your own path.
- Courage is resistance to fear, master of fear and not absence of fear.
- Death is the grand leveler.
- Desire has no rest.

- Determine your future now by taking hold of any opportunity.
- Devils make little faults great.
- Difficulties mastered are opportunities won.
- Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.
- Do everyday something no one else will be silly enough to do.
- Do in haste and repent in leisure.
- Do not follow where the usual path may lead.  
Go and leave a tail.
- Do not give what is hold to dogs — they will

only turn and attack you. Do not throw your pearls in front of pigs – they will only trample them underfoot.

- Do not pray for easy lives, pray to be stronger men ! Do not pray for tasks equal to your power, pray for power equal to your tasks.
- Do not say go, but go!
- Do not wait for extraordinary circumstances to do good actions. Try to use ordinary circumstances.
- Do slowly. Look sternly.
- Do well and have well.
- Do well and let people say what they will.
- Do what is right. Come what may.

- Do wrong once and you will never hear the end of it.
- Do you love life? Then waste no time; for time is the stuff that life is made for.
- Do your work with your whole heart and you will succeed — there is so little competition!
- Doing good to others is not a duty. It is a joy, for it increases your health and happiness.
- Don't be afraid to take big step. You can't cross a chasm in two small jumps.
- Don't claim to know what you don't know.
- Don't cry for the moon.
- Don't do things halfway — or else you find

yourself dropping more than picking up. —

Louis Armstrong

- Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant.
- Don't keep all your eggs in one basket.
- Don't kill dream. Execute it.
- Don't make a mountain out of a mole-hill.
- Don't play with sharp tools.
- Don't put the cart before the horse.
- Don't quarrel with your bread and butter.
- Don't sell the bear's skin before you catch the bear.
- Don't swap horses when crossing a stream.
- Don't throw away the baby with the bath

water

- Don't trouble troubles until troubles trouble you.
- Don't wait for the best because it has been taken.
- Don't worry about tomorrow. Today is the day that counts.
- Doubt is the key of knowledge.
- Dream great dreams and make them come true.
- Drive the nail that will go.
- Drive your business. Don't let it drive you.
- Dumb dogs are dangerous.
- Dying is as natural as living.

- Each citizen should play his part in the community according to his individual gifts.
- Each one of us works for a small change in the world around us.
- Eagles fly alone; but sheep flock together.
- Early start makes easy stages.
- East or west, home is best.
- Easy come; easy go.
- Eat to live, but not live to eat.
- Education is not something to prepare you for life; it is a continuous part of life.
- Education is the knowledge of how to use the whole of life.
- Enough is enough.

- Every cloud has a silver lining.
- Every day of your life is a leaf in your history.
- Every failure teaches a man something if he will learn.
- Every great man, every successful man, no matter what the field of endeavor, has known the magic that lies in these words: every adversity has the seed of an equivalent or greater benefit.
- Every horse thinks his sack heaviest.
- Every job is a self-portrait of the person who did it. Autograph your work with excellence.
- Every law has a loophole.
- Every little deed counts. Every word has

power. We can, everyone, do our share to redeem the world.

- Every little helps.
- Every man a little beyond himself is a fool.
- Every man has his faults.
- Every man has his price.
- Every man has his talent.
- Every man has his weak side.
- Every man is for himself.
- Every man is his own enemy.
- Every man is mad on some point.
- Every man is the architect of his fortune.
- Every man must carry his own cross.
- Every man should make up his mind if he

expects to succeed: he must give an honest return for every man's dollar.

- Every man's work, whether it be literature or music or pictures or architecture or anything else, is always a portrait of himself.
- Every noble work is at first impossible.
- Every one has special talents. It is our duty to find ours and use them well.
- Every person has a choice: he can love the world's beauty and be happy, or he can hate its ugliness and be miserable.
- Every pleasure has a pain.
- Every solution breeds problems.
- Every thing comes to him who waits.

- Every thing has a time and that time must be watched.
- Every tide has an ebb.
- Every worthwhile accomplishment, big or little, has its stages of drudgery and triumph, a beginning, a struggle and a victory.
- Everything can go wrong. Not yet? Thank God and indulge.
- Example is not the main thing in influencing others. It is the only thing.
- Excellence costs a great deal.
- Excellence is never an accident.
- Experience shows that success is due less to ability than to zeal. The winner is he who gives

himself to his work — body and soul.

- Extremity of right is wrong.
- Failure is only postponed success as long as courage “coaches” ambition. The habit of persistence is the habit of victory.
- Failure is only the opportunity to begin again, more intelligently.
- Faint heart never wins fair lady.
- Fair words make me look to my purse.
- Familiarity breeds contempt.
- Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them and try to follow where they lead.

- Fear less, hope more; eat less, chew more; whine less, breathe more; talk less, say more; hate less and love more; and all good things are yours.
- First thing first.
- Focus on contribution that you can make.
- Follow your heart.
- For a lost thing, care nothing.
- Fortune is fickle.
- Fortune is good to him who makes good use of her.
- Freedom is not a luxury that we can indulge in when at last we have security and prosperity and enlightenment; it is, rather, antecedent to

all of these, for without it we can have neither security nor prosperity nor enlightenment.

- Genius is the ability to put into effect what is in your mind.
- Give life meaning through your commitments.
- Go get things done.
- Go in through the narrow gate, because the gate to hell is wide and the road that leads to it is easy, and there are many who travel it. But the gate to life is narrow and the way that leads to it is hard, and there are few people who find it.
- Go while the going is good.
- God gives opportunities; success depends

upon the use of them.

- Good actions ennoble us and we are the sons of our own deeds.
- Good and quickly seldom meet.
- Good counsel never comes too late.
- Good for good is natural; good for evil is stupid.
- Good health is best wealth.
- Good ware makes quick market.
- Good wits jump.
- Good work is seldom an accident. It's done by people who care.
- Good workmen are seldom rich.
- Goodness is not tied to greatness.

- Gossiping and lying go hand in hand.
- Grasp all, lose all.
- Gratitude is the sign of noble souls.
- Great boasters, little doers.
- Great design requires great consideration.
- Great dreams make great men.
- Great honors are great burdens.
- Great strokes make not great music.
- Great work is performed not by strength but by perseverance.
- Greatness is a two-faced coin and its reverse is humility. The closer you are to humility, the closer you are to true greatness.
- Greatness is not standing above our fellows

and ordering them around — it is standing with them and helping them to be all they can be.

- Grin and bear it.
- Growth is the only evidence of life.
- Happiness in this world, when it comes, comes incidentally. Make it the object of pursuit, and it leads us on a wild-goose chase, and is never attained. Follow some other objects, and very possibly we may find that we have caught happiness without dreaming of it.
- Happiness is inward, and not outward; and so it does not depend on what we have, but on

what we are.

- Happiness is like a butterfly, which, when pursued, is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you.
- Happiness is never a goal to be pursued. It is always the unexpected surprise of a life lived in service to others.
- Happiness lies not in the mere possession of money; it lies in the joy of achievement, in the thrill of creative effort.
- Happiness will never come if it is a goal in itself. Happiness is a by-product of a commitment of worthy causes.

- Happy are those who are humble; they will receive what God has promised!
- Have patience. All things are difficult before they become easy.
- He makes no mistakes makes nothing.
- Histories make men wise; poems witty; mathematics subtle; natural philosophy deep; moral grave; logic and rhetoric able to contend.
- Honesty is the best policy.
- Hope for the best; but prepare for the worst.
- I am going to go anywhere, anywhere, anywhere — so long as it is forward.
- I am only one, but still I am one; I cannot do

everything, but still I can do something; and because I cannot do everything I will not refuse to do something I can do.

- I believe that any man's life will be filled with constant and unexpected encouragement, if he makes up his mind to do his level best each day, and as nearly as possible reach the high-water mark of pure and useful living. Washington
- I believe that serving and being served are reciprocal and that one cannot really be had without the other.
- I cannot afford to waste my time on making money.

- I cannot give you the formula for success, but I can give you the formula for failure, which is — try to please everybody.
- I care not what others think of what I do, but I care very much about what I think of what I do — that is character!
- I don't know if I should care for a man who made life easy; I should want someone who made it interesting.
- I have observed that only plants in nature which are strongest survive and reproduce themselves. It seems to me that hardiness is the chief essential for success.
- I have one life and it is short enough: why

waste it on things that I don't want most?

- I never fight ... except against difficulties.
- I think, therefore I am.
- I will strive to raise my own body and soul into all the higher powers of duty and happiness, not in rivalry or contention with others but for the help and delight and honor of others and for the joy and peace of my own life.
- Ideas won't work — something has to be done about them.
- Idleness travels very slowly and poverty soon overtakes her.
- If a thing is worth doing, it is worth doing well.

- If everything looks well, you are overlooking something.
- If excellence is to prevail in our lives, mediocrity must be shunned at every cost.
- If God shuts one door, He opens another.
- If it works, don't fix it.
- If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavor to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours.
- If our freedom means ease alone, if it means shirking the hard disciplines of learning, if it means evading the rigors and rewards of creating activity, if it means more expenditure

on advertising than education, if it means in the schools the steady cult of the trivial and the mediocre, if it means — worst of all — indifference, or even contempt for all but athletic excellence, we may keep for a time the forms of free society, but its spirit will be dead.

- If you are really thankful, what do you do? You share.
- If you can dream it, you can do it.
- If you cannot have the best, make the best of what you have.
- If you don't like the answer, don't ask the question.

- If you listen to yourself speaking, you will speak less.
- If you really love something, set it free. If it comes back to you, it was meant to be.
- If you want a place in the sun, you're got to put up with a few blisters.
- If you want the honey, don't kick the beehive.
- If you want your life to be meaningful, go out and do something about it.
- In a hierarchy, every employee tends to rise to a level of his incompetence.
- In fair weather, prepare for the foul.
- In gratitude for your own good fortune, you must render in return some sacrifice of your

life for another life.

- In prosperity, caution; in adversity, patience.
- In uplifting, get underneath.
- Innocent is no protection.
- Intelligent people see the future clearer.
- It doesn't matter if you try and try and try again, and fail. It does matter if you try and fail, and fail to try again.
- It is a foolish sheep that makes the wolf his confessor.
- It is ability, not disability that counts.
- It is by surmounting difficulties, not by sinking under them, that we discover our fortitude.
- It is disgraceful to stumble against the same

stone twice.

- It is equal failing to trust everybody and to trust nobody.
- It is good to learn at another's cost.
- It is in vain to cast your nets in a river where there are no fish.
- It is kind of fun to do the impossible.
- It is never too late to be what you might have been.
- It is never too old to learn.
- It is no sin to sell dear, but a sin to give ill measure.
- It is no use crying spilt milk.
- It is no use pumping a dry well.

- It is not good to wake up a sleeping lion.
- It is not how long, but how well we live.
- It is not how much we have — but how much we enjoy — that makes happiness.
- It is not the brains that matter most, but that which guide them — character, the heart, generous qualities, progressive ideas.
- It is not the suffering, but the cause, that makes a martyr.
- It is only as we develop others that we permanently succeed.
- It is right to be contented with what we have, but never with what we are.
- It is the creative potential itself in human

beings that is the image of God.

- It is the link from the present to the past that gives us a spirit to address the future.
- It takes all sorts to make the world.
- It was the best of time; it was the worst of time. It was the age of wisdom; it was the age of foolishness. It was the epoch of belief; it was the epoch of incredulity. It was the season of light; it was the season of darkness. It was the spring of hope; it was the winter of despair. We had everything before us; we had nothing before us.
- It will be all the same a hundred years later.
- It's not whether you get knocked down. It's

whether you get up again.

- It's slow and steady that win the race.
- Joy is not in things. It is in us.
- Judge not from appearances.
- Just say "yes" or "no" — anything else you say comes from the Evil One.
- Keep your face to sunshine and you will not see the shadow.
- Know the true value of time; snatch, seize, and enjoy every moment of it.
- Knowing is not enough; we must apply.  
Willing is not enough; we must do.
- Knowledge advances step by step and not by leaps.

- Knowledge is power.
- Knowledge is power, but only wisdom is liberty.
- Knowledge makes humble; ignorance makes complacent.
- Labor is the source of all wealth and all culture.
- Laugh, and the world laugh with you. Weep, and you weep alone.
- Law is a bottomless pit.
- Lawsuits consume time, and money, and rest, and friends.
- Leadership is in action, not in position.
- Leadership is not magnetic personality. It is

not “making friends and influencing people” — that is flattery. Leadership is lifting a person's vision to higher sights, the raising of a person's performance to a higher standard, the building of personality beyond its normal limitations.

- Learn to creep before you leap.
- Learn wisdom by the follies of the others.
- Leave “well” alone.
- Let all that you do be done in love.
- Let bygones be bygones.
- Let no man imagine that he has no influence.

Whoever he may be, and wherever he may be placed, the man who thinks becomes a light

and a power.

- Let sleeping dog lies.
- Let us realize that the privilege to work is a gift, that power to work is a blessing, that love of work is success.
- Let your light shines before men that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.
- Life goes on whether you use it or not. But if you use it, you give life a meaning.
- Life is a daring adventure or nothing.
- Life is a sort of splendid torch which I've got hold for the moment, and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it

on to future generations.

- Life is half spent before we know what it is.
- Life is made up of little things.
- Life is not all roses.
- Life is not easy for any of us. We must work and above all we must believe in ourselves.

We must believe that each one of us is able to do something well, and that, when we discover what this something is, we must work until we succeed.

- Life is not in having and getting, but in being and becoming.
- Life is nothing but growth.
- Life is nothing, if not daring.

- Life is ten percent what you make it and ninety percent how you make it.
- Life is the best thing I've got.
- Life shrinks or expands in proportion to courage.
- Lions are not terrified by cats.
- Little intermeddling makes good friends.
- Little strokes fell great oaks.
- Living in the past has one thing in its favour — it's cheaper. The past is valuable as a guidepost, but dangerous if used as hitching post.
- Lock the stable before you lose the horse.
- Look at the bright side.

- Look before you leap.
- Look inside yourself to find strengths.
- Lost time is never found again.
- Love and you shall be loved.
- Love grows by service.
- Love is a verb. It needs action.
- Love is force. It is not a result; it is not a cause.  
It is not a product; it produces.
- Love is not something you feel. It's something you do.
- Love is patient; love is kind. It does not envy; it does not boast; it is not proud.
- Love is the reward of love.
- Love is touchstone of virtue.

- Love is without reasons.
- Love life and life will love you back. Love people and they will love you back.
- Love lives in cottages as well as in courts.
- Love makes life beautiful.
- Love never fails.
- Make each day useful and cheerful and prove that you know the worth of time by employing it well. Then youth will be happy, old age without regret and life a beautiful success.
- Make much of what you have.
- Make no little plans, they have no magic to stir men's blood... Make big plans, aim high in

hope and work, remembering the noble,  
logical diagram... will be a living thing,  
asserting itself with ever growing insistence.

- Make things simple and interesting.
- Make yourself necessary to somebody.
- Man is a bubble.
- Man proposes; God disposes.
- Many dishes, many diseases.
- Material possessions will rust away, wear away or depreciate — but your inner resources — character — must never depreciate. In seeking success you must seek fulfillment. Ask yourself not only what you want to be, but also who you want to be.

- Medicines are not meant to live on.
- Might overcomes right.
- Misfortune might be a blessing in disguise.
- Money can't buy love, but it sure gets you a great bargaining position.
- Money is a terrible master but an excellent servant.
- Money may be the husk of many things, but not the kernel. It brings you food, but not appetite; medicine, but not health; acquaintances, but not friends; servants, but not loyalty; days of joy, but not peace of happiness.
- Money may not be everything. But it is a great

consolation until you have everything.

- Money spent on brain is never spent in vain.
- More haste, less speed.
- Most of all will never do great things, but we can do small things in a great way.
- Music is a moral law. It gives a soul to the universe, wings to the minds, flight to the imagination, a charm to sadness, gayety and life to everything. It is the essence of order and leads to all that is good, just and beautiful.
- Nature does not demand that we be perfect. It only requires that we grow.
- Nature is relentless – She doesn't care what

you care.

- Never argue with a fool; people will not know the difference.
- Never ask your boss whether you need to do it.
- Never be afraid to take on a really tough problem. When you solve it, the benefits will be much greater.
- Never bray at an ass.
- Never cast your pearls before swine.
- Never challenge a fool to do wrong.
- Never do things by halves.
- Never explain, never retract, never apologize — get the things done and let

them howl!

- Never fish in troubled water.
- Never hang a man twice for one offence.
- Never is a long word
- Never look a gift horse in the mouth.
- Never look down to test the ground before taking your step; only he who keeps his eye fixed on the far horizon will find his right road.
- Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today. By then there may be a law against it.
- Never say die.
- Never take a hammer to break an egg when you can do it with the back of your knife.
- Never think yourself above your business.

- Never too late to learn.
- Never too late to mend.
- Never too late to turn.
- Never trouble others what you should do yourself.
- Never write what you dare not to sign.
- New wine in old bottles.
- Night is the mother of counsel.
- Nightingale will not sing in a cage.
- Ninety-nine percent of the failures come from people who have the habit of making excuses.
- No autumn fruits without spring blossoms.
- No bee, no honey; no work, no money.
- No fish without bones. No woman without a

temper.

- No flying without wings.
- No garden without its weeds.
- No good building without a good foundation.
- No man can make a good coat with bad cloth.
- No man can serve two masters.
- No man ever became thoroughly bad at once.
- No man is able of himself to do all things.
- No man is born wise.
- No man is his craft's master the first day.
- No man is indispensable.
- No man is wise at all times.
- No one can call back yesterday.
- No one likes to bell the cat.

- No pain, no gain.
- Not possession, but use, is the only riches.
- Not to advance is to go back.
- Not to be grateful is not to be happy.
- Not to get ahead of others - but to get ahead of ourselves.
- Nothing comes from nothing – If you want something, you must do something.
- Nothing great in the world has been accomplished without passion.
- Nothing great will ever be achieved without great men, and men are great only if they are determined to be so.
- Nothing is certain but death.

- Nothing is got without pains but poverty.
- Nothing is invented and perfected at the same time.
- Nothing is more powerful than an individual acting out of his conscience.
- Nothing is more worth than this day.
- Of all God's gifts to man, laughter is one of the most subtle and is one of the most precious. It has neither nationality nor religion. As an equalizer, it has no equal. Even science which can do so many things can't teach us to laugh. Mirth is from God, dullness from the devil. When we laugh, we agree with God that all is good.

- One good fore-wit is worth two after-wits.
- One hundred times a day I remind myself that my personal and professional life depends on the fruit of the work of other men, living and dead. I should make every effort to give in the same measure in which I have received and am receiving.
- One machine can do the work of fifty ordinary people. No machine can do the work of one extraordinary person.
- One man's fault is another man's lesson.
- One man's food may be another man's poison.
- One wrong move makes you lose the game.

- One's words reflect one's thinking.
- Only the brave get it.
- Only who attempt the absurd will achieve the impossible.
- Open confession is good for the soul.
- Open not your door when the devil knocks.
- Opinion rules the world.
- Opportunities are usually disguised as hard work, so most people don't recognize them.
- Other person's things look better.
- Other times, other manners.
- Our aim is not to get ahead of others, but to get ahead of ourselves.
- Our first duty is not to hate ourselves;

because to advance we must have faith in ourselves first and then in God. He who has no faith in himself can never have faith in God.

- Our greatest glory consists not in never failing — but in raising every time we fall.
- Our greatest strength comes not from what we possess, but from what we believe; not from what we have, but from what we are.
- Outstanding people have one thing in common: an absolute sense of mission.
- Patience is the necessary ingredient of genius.
- Pen and ink is wit's plough.
- Pension never enriches a young man.

- People can be divided into three groups:  
those who make things happen, those who  
watch things happen and those who wonder  
what happened.
- Perceived defects are like good beliefs: we  
never know them until they come.
- Perfection is attained by slow progress; she  
requires the hand of time.
- Perfection is not attained at the point at  
which nothing can be added, but at the point  
nothing can be taken away.
- Persevere and never fear.
- Pleasant hours fly fast.
- Pleasure comes through toil.

- Plough deep while others sleep. Any you shall have corn to sell and keep.
- Poets are born but orators are made.
- Poison is poison even though it comes in a golden cup.
- Possession is nine points of law.
- Poverty breeds strife.
- Poverty is not a sufficient cause for disgrace.  
But poverty without resolution to help oneself is a disgrace.
- Practice makes perfect.
- Practice what you preach.
- Praise not the work but let thy work praise you.

- Pray to God, but keep rowing to the shore.
- Prevention is better than cure.
- Procrastination is the thief of time.
- Promise is debt.
- Promise little. But do much.
- Promises are like piecrust, made to be broken.
- Punctuality is the soul of business.
- Put your feet down when you mean to stand.
- Quality comes before quantity.
- Quality is never an accident. It is always the result of intelligent effort.
- Quality is the key to success.
- Quality without quantity is nothing.
- Question the way things are. Imagine the way

things could be.

- Quietude is the crown of life.
- Quitters never win. Winners never quit.
- Rank does not confer privilege or give power.

It imposes responsibility.

- Reading enriches mind.
- Reading is to the mind, as what exercise to the body.
- Reading makes a full man, conference a ready man, and writing an exact man.
- Real knowledge, like everything else of the highest value, is not to be obtained easily. It must be worked for, studied for, thought for and, more than all, it must be prayed for.

- Real riches are the riches possessed inside.
- Reason is the guide of life.
- Reckless youth makes a rueful age.
- Reputation is often got without merit and lost without fault.
- Respect yourself, or no one else will respect you.
- Riches are mental, not material.
- Rome was not built in a day.
- Say it from my heart.
- Self-confidence and self-reliance are the mainstay of a strong character.
- Self-help is the best help.
- Self-preservation is the first law of nature.

- Set a fool on a horseback and he will ride to the devil.
- Silence is wisdom, when speaking is folly.
- Simple life.
- Simplify your life.
- Simplicity is the baggage enough for the journey of life.
- Six essential qualities that are key to success: sincerity, integrity, humility, courtesy, wisdom and charity.
- Skill and confidence are an unconquered enemy.
- Sloth turns the edge of wit.
- Slow and steady wins the race.

- Small sorrows speak; great ones are silent.
- Smile. Tomorrow may be worse.
- So got, so gone.
- Soft fire makes sweet malt.
- Some are wise and some are otherwise.
- Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested.
- Some men see things as they are and say  
    “Why?” I dream things that never were and  
say “Why not?”
- Sometimes, to gain is to lose.
- Soon learnt, soon forgotten.
- Soon ripe, soon rotten.

- Sow nothing; reap nothing.
- Sow with the hand and not with the whole sack.
- Speak less.
- Speech is silver; silence is gold.
- Speech shows what a man is.
- Spend not all you have. Believe not all you hear.
- Step by step the ladder is ascended.
- Strike the iron while it is hot.
- Studies serve for delight, for ornament, and for ability. Their chief use for delight, is in privateness and retiring; for ornament, is in discourse; and for ability, is in the judgment

and disposition of business.

- Study what you wish to be.
- Success in business hinges mostly on the ability to get the important things done.
- Success in life should be determined by contributions, not accumulation.
- Success is a peace of mind which is a direct result of self satisfaction in knowing that you did your best to become the best you are capable of being.
- Success is discovering your best talents, skills and abilities, and applying them where they will make the most effective contribution to you fellow men.

- Success is never final. Failure is never fatal.  
Courage is the only thing.
- Success is not arriving at the summit of a mountain as a final destination. It is a continuing upward spiral of progress. It is perpetual growth.
- Success is to be measured not by wealth, power, or fame, but by the ratio between what a man is and what he might be.
- Success lies in doing not what others consider to be great, but what you consider to be right.
- Success lies not in being the best, but in doing the best.
- Success never be measured by bank

balances — money measures only prosperity.

Success is a matter of character.

- Successful folks don't just entertain thoughts — they put them to work.
- Swallows and sparrows do not know the ambition of swans.
- Swift gratitude is sweetest.
- Take chance! All life is a chance. The man goes furthest is generally the one who is willing to do and dare.
- Take heed will surely speed.
- Take things as they come.
- Take time when time comes. Don't let time steal away.

- Talk less – Go and get things done and let them howl !
- Talking mends no holes.
- Teaching others teaches yourself.
- Technical knowledge is important but it accounts for less than 20% of one's success. More than 80% is due to the development of one's personal qualities, such as initiative, concentration, decision, adaptability, organizing ability, observation, industry and leadership.
- Temperance is the best physic.
- The bait hides the hook.
- The best fish swim near the bottom.

- The best horse needs breaking; the aptest child needs teaching.
- The best way to succeed in this world is to act on the advice you gave to others.
- The biggest things are always the easiest to do because there is no competition.
- The challenge of life is to appreciate everything and attach yourself to nothing.
- The cunning fox has a bag of excuses.
- The darkest hour is that before dawn.
- The dream is not the destination but the journey.
- The failure to be perfect does not mean you are not at a success; it is giving your best that

helps you to understand the joy of receiving.

- The first step to virtue is to abstain from vice.
- The future belongs to those who believe the beauty of their dreams.
- The golden rule is: He who has the gold makes the rules.
- The good Lord has been good to me and I am trying to return the favor. I just want to do as much good in the world as I can.
- The great aim of education is not knowledge, but action.
- The heart sees better than the eyes.
- The highest reward for man's toil is not what he gets for it; but what he becomes by it.

- The key to life is service to others.
- The ladder of success is best climbed by stepping on the rungs of opportunity.
- The mind is the man.
- The miracle of the power that elevate the few is to be found in their industry, application, perseverance under the promptings of a brave, determined spirit.
- The monument of a great man is not of granite or marble or bronze. It consists of his goodness, his deeds, his love and his compassion.
- The more haste, the less speed.
- The more noble, the more humble.

- The more noise a man or a motor makes; the less power there is available.
- The most important things in life are not things.
- The most powerful weapon on earth is human soul on fire.
- The most practical thing in the world is common sense.
- The objective is not to pass, but to surpass.
- The only people who fail are those who never try.
- The only way to accept an insult is to ignore it. If you can't ignore it, laugh at it. If you can't laugh at it, it is probably deserved.

- The only way to achieve true success is to express yourself completely in service to society.
- The path to glory is always rugged.
- The people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look for circumstances they want, and if they cannot find them, make them.
- The possibility of failure ought not deter you from doing it.
- The price of greatness is responsibility.
- The probability that we may fail in the struggle ought not to deter us from the support of a course we believe to be just.

- The right word may be effective, but no word was ever as effective as a rightly timed pause.
- The rotten apples injure their neighbors.
- The rung of a ladder was never meant to rest upon, but only to hold a man's foot long enough to put the other somewhat higher.
- The same knife cuts bread and fingers.
- The secret of joy is contained in one word — excellence. To know how to do something well is to enjoy it.
- The secret of success in life is for a man to be ready for his opportunity when it comes.
- The secret of wealth is SAVE and INVEST.
- The secret to success is constancy to purpose.

- The shortest answer is doing.
- The sting is in the tail.
- The structure of human betterment cannot be built upon foundations of materialism or business, but upon the bedrock of individual character in free men and women.
- The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well, and doing well whatever you do, without a thought of fame.
- The time is right to do what is right.
- The time to be happy is now. The place to be happy is here. The way to be happy is to make others so.
- The ultimate measure of man is not where he

stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

- The use of money is all the advantage there is in having it.
- The used key is always bright.
- The value of life lies not in the length of days, but in the use we make of them; a man may live long, yet get little from life.
- The way I see it: if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain.
- The way to be safe is never to be secure.
- The winners in life think constantly in terms of I can, I will and I am. Losers, on the other hand,

concentrate their waking thoughts on what they should have, or would have done, or what they don't do.

- The wise man is a good listener.
- The wise man knows he knows nothing; the fool thinks he knows everything.
- The world is as large as the range of one's interests. A narrow-minded man has a narrow outlook. The walls of his world shut out the broader horizon of affairs. Prejudice can maintain walls that no invention can remove.
- The worship most acceptable to God comes from a thankful and cheerful heart.

- There are in nature no rewards or punishments. There are just causes and consequences. ... Nature imitates herself. A grain thrown into good ground brings forth fruit; a principle thrown into a good mind brings forth action. Everything is created and conducted by the same Master: the root, the branch, the fruits — the principles, the consequences.
- There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work and learning from failures.

- There are two kinds of people in the world: those who are always ready to do something, and those who go ahead and do it.
- There is a wild, splendid, intoxicating joy that follows work well done.
- There is enough in the world for everyone's need, but not enough for everyone's greed.
- There is no duty we underrate so much as the duty of being happy.
- There is no failure except in no longer trying. There is no defeat except from within; no really insurmountable barrier save our own inherent weakness of purpose.

- There is no golden rule in doing things - just follow your heart.
- There is no safety in numbers, or in anything else.
- There is no security in the world – there is only opportunity.
- There is no security on earth. There is only opportunity.
- There is no way to happiness. Happiness is the way.
- There isn't any formula or method of love. You learn to love by loving.
- They are able because they think they are. They can because they think they can.

- Things are not always what they seem.
- Things becomes too bad when you want them too good.
- Things done cannot be undone.
- Things may not be what they seem.
- Things past cannot be recalled.
- Things unreasonable are seldom durable.
- Think much; speak little.
- Think well of yourself and proclaim this fact to the world — not in loud words, but in great deeds.
- Those believe money can do everything are frequently prepared to do everything for money.

- Those seek to please everybody please nobody.
- Those who eat best and drink best often do worst.
- Those whose work and pleasure are one are fortune's children.
- Though thy enemy seems a mouse, yet watch him like a lion.
- Thoughts are free.
- Three things make us happy: the seeing eyes, the hearing ears and the responsive heart.
- Time cures all things.
- Time flies.

- Time is not measured by the years that we live; but by the deeds what we do.
- Time is the most precious gift in our possession, for it is the most irrevocable.
- Time is: too slow for those who wait, too swift for those who fear, too long for those who grieve, too short for those who rejoice. But for those who love, time is eternity.
- Time marches on.
- Time past cannot be called back.
- Time stays long enough for anyone who will use it.
- Time tames the greatest grief.
- Time tries all.

- Time tries truth.
- Time waits for no man.
- Time wasted is existence; time used is life.
- Time works wonders.
- To accomplish great things, we must not only act but also dream, not only plan but also believe.
- To be successful, you don't have to do extraordinary work. Just do the ordinary work extraordinarily well.
- To convert ideas and good intentions into something real and positive requires time and perseverance.

- To do anything in this world worth doing, we must not stand back shivering and thinking of the cold and danger. We must jump in and scramble through as well as we can.
- To forgive heals the wound. To forget heals the scar.
- To help myself live without fault, I made a list of what I considered the thirteen virtues. These virtues were: (1) temperance, (2) self-control, (3) silence, (4) order, (5) firmness of mind, (6) saving, (7) industry, (8) honesty, (9) justice, (10) cleanliness, (11) morality and (12) humbleness.

- To keep young, every day read a poem, hear a choice piece of music, view a fine painting, and if possible, do a good action. Man's highest merit always is, as much as possible, to rule external circumstances, and as little as possible to let himself be ruled by them.
- To make money immortal, invest it in man.
- To me, success is not something to be measured in power or fortune or fame. I believe a life of service to others is a successful life.
- To measure a man, measure his heart.
- To please every one is to please no one.

- To read without reflection is like eating without digesting.
- To succeed in life one must have determination and must be prepared to suffer during the process. If one isn't prepared to suffer during adversities, I don't really see how he can be successful.
- Too many of us hear without heeding, read without responding, confess without changing, profess without practicing, worship without witnessing, and seek without sharing.
- Too many people today know the price of everything and the value of nothing.

- True love is giving, not taking.
- Trust in God and keep your gun powder dry.
- Undertake no more than you can perform.
- Use life to provide something that outlasts it.
- We are judged by what we finish, not what we start.
- We are what we do. Excellence is not an act but a habit.
- We cannot change yesterday: that is quite clear; or begin on tomorrow, until it is here. So all that remains, both for you and me is to make today as sweet as can be.
- We fail most frequently when we seek a goal by someone's path. We stumble most, trying

to walk the other fellow's way. We get best results when we do the best we can. "Making the most of what you have" is not the worst definition of success.

- We fought hard. We gave our best. We did what was right. And we made a difference.
- We must not be afraid of dreaming the seemingly impossible if we want the seemingly impossible to become a reality.
- We only live once, but if we work it right, once is enough.
- We work to become, not to acquire.

- We, whoever we are, must have a daily goal in our lives, no matter how small or great, to make that day mean something.
- Wealth is the product of man's capacity to think.
- What can't be cured must be endured.
- What greater loss than loss of time?
- What I must do is all that concerns me, not what people think.
- What is gone is gone.
- What is lost is lost.
- What is time? The shadow on the dial, the striking of the clock, the running of the sand — day and night, summer and winter,

months, years, centuries — these are but arbitrary and outward signs, the measure of time, not time itself. Time is the life of the soul.

- What would life be if we had no courage to attempt everything?
- What you focus burns!
- What you possess in this world will go to someone else when you die. But what you are will be yours forever.
- Whatever other gifts you have, if you are to succeed, you must have hearts, and hearts that can feel.
- Whatever you do, do with all your might.

- When a man forgets himself, he usually does something everybody else remembers.
- When a man has put a limit on what he will do, he has put a limit on what he can do.
- When everybody is somebody, then nobody is anybody.
- When everything seems to be going against you, remember the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.
- When fortune knocks, open the door.
- When gun speaks, it is too late to argue.
- When in doubt, play trump.
- When in Rome, do as the Romans do.

- When it is not necessary to do it, it is necessary not to do it.
- When one sheep leads the way, the rest follow.
- When people are serving, life is no longer meaningless.
- When someone does something good, applaud ! You will make two people happy.
- When sorrow is asleep, wake it not.
- When the cat is away, the mice will play.
- When the fox preaches, take care of your geese.
- When the well is full, it will run over.

- When there is a trouble, delegate the trouble.

Where there is a problem, spread the problem.

- When things go wrong is when I go strong.

- When two ride a horse, one must sit behind.

- When wealth is lost, nothing is lost; when health is lost, something is lost; when character is lost, all is lost.

- When you consider everything we have is a gift from God, it's amazing how little gratitude we show. Giving to others is such a small way to say thank you.

- When you get to the end of a rope, tie a knot and hang on.

- When you go to buy, use your eyes, not your ears.
- Where the heart is willing, it will find a thousand ways. Where it is unwilling it will find a thousand excuses.
- Where there is a will, there is a way.
- Whether the pitcher strikes the stone or the stone strikes the pitcher, it is bad for the pitcher.
- Who likes not his business, his business likes not him.
- Whoever wants to be first must place himself last of all and be the servant of all.

- Win new friends but keep the old. The first are silver but the latter are gold.
- Wink at small faults.
- Winter comes. Can spring be far behind?
- Wisdom is knowing what to do next. Virtue is doing it.
- Wisdom to the mind is as what health to the body.
- Work hard. Hard work is the best investment a man can make.
- Work in haste longer.
- Work is not man's punishment. It is reward and strength, his glory and his pleasure.

- Work is the true elixir of life. The busiest man is the happiest man. Excellence in any art or profession is attained only by hard and persistent work. Never believe that you are perfect. When a man imagine, even after years of striving, that he has attained perfection, his decline begins.
- Worse than being blind would be to be able to see but not have any vision.
- Yesterday is a cancelled cheque. Tomorrow is a promissory note. Today is the only cash you have. Spend it wisely.
- You can do anything if you have enthusiasm. Enthusiasm is at the bottom of all progress.

With it, there is accomplishment. Without it, there are only alibis.

- You can work at something for twenty years and come away with twenty years' worth of valuable experience, or you can come away with one year's experience twenty times.
- You can't be brave if you've got only wonderful things happening to you.
- You don't get to choose how you're going to die, or when. You can only decide how you're going to live now!
- You have to accept whatever comes and the only important thing is that you meet it with courage and with the best you have to give.

- You have to look inside yourself to find strengths.
- You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try.
- You really have to look inside yourself and find your own inner strength and say, "I am proud of what I am and who I am, and I'm just going to be myself."
- You set a goal to be the best and then you work hard every hour of every day, striving to reach the goal. If you allow yourself to settle something less than number one, you are cheating yourself.

- You try to please everyone and you please no one.
- You won't win if you don't begin.
- Your mission in life is not to be without problems; your mission is to get excited.
- Youth is the opportunity to do something and to become somebody.
- You've got to know where it is and go after it. You won't get it every time, but it's worth trying.

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