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Strive to succeed



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### PREFFICE

At the commencement of the school year 2023-2024, TWGHs Sun Hoi Directors' College created a slogan "Strive to succeed", in line with the school's mission and visions. All students have had this slogan in mind and have tried their best to shoulder responsibilities for themselves and for the school.

In this booklet, we have selected some of the best pieces about "Strive to succeed" to be shared within our school and with the public. Having a glimpse, you would undoubtedly feel the hard work and efforts which our students have made throughout the school year. In our school, students' active participation in various English activities also proves them to be dedicated students.

I am certain that you will enjoy reading the book from start to finish. With the slogan in mind, the well-selected articles contain our students' stories of success and how they have developed good habits and hobbies. Don't wait. Let's embark on the journey of reading about how our students strive to succeed throughout the school year!

Leung Chi Dik English Panel Head

### GOOD WRITING

When talking about hobbies, you will probably think about those professionals on TV. However, have you ever admired one of those professionals and wanted to be like them? Does "talent" mean "everything to your success"? Have you ever thought about how those people become experts of their hobbies? Well, let me tell you a story about myself.

I discovered cycling as a hobby when I was 6 years old, while watching a TV show at home. While I was watching Cocomelon, a special program interrupted the cartoon. I was super angry and shouted, 'What's wrong with the TV? I was watching the best part of the show!' Nevertheless, I calmed down and sat on the couch. I mumbled to myself impatiently, 'Let's see what this stupid programme is.' A person appeared on TV. She was riding on the bicycle fast and steadily. She seemed confident, too. She was much faster than the other competitors. The competition was more exciting than I thought. I cheered for her and screamed, 'GO! GO!' At the end, the woman won the competition. The journalists asked her politely, 'Miss Sarah, how do you feel now after getting the champion of the competition?' She answered with a brave expression, 'You can be successful like me if you are hard-working and brave.' I got excited as if my eyes had stars in them. Therefore, I tried to learn how to cycle.

At first, I told my mother to teach me how to cycle since she knew how to cycle well. To learn cycling, I first needed a bike. My second step was to learn how to cycle. My final step would be finishing a 4 km cycle on my own. I didn't have any bike at home, so I borrowed one from my relative.

When my mother taught me how to cycle, I fell down a lot of times. My hands were hurt with a lot of bandages. I said angrily, 'This is taking a lot of time! I can't do it! I want to give up.' After hearing it, my mother came to me and told me, 'Not everything is free, so you have to get it by yourself.' The sentence she said reminded me of what Sarah said. Therefore, I calmed myself down and got on the bike once again. No matter how many times I fell, I didn't give up. Two months later, I finally learnt how to cycle. I was proud of myself and said happily, 'It was worth it.'

Finally, I got to the last step. I got on the bike and said good luck to myself. 'Ready, GO!' I was cycling at a high speed. While cycling, I felt that being successful was a good thing. I felt happy and proud of what I did in the past. Finally, I managed to control the bicycle. My family said, 'Congratulations! You have learnt how to cycle! What will you do in the future with this hobby?' I answered, 'I will cycle even better and become successful with this hobby.'

Four years later, I became able to cycle steadily and fast. I have also won a lot of competitions. My family was really proud of me. When my parents bought me a new bike, I was glad and couldn't wait to try it. The bike was new and pretty, so I liked it a lot! Now, I am trying to focus on my schedule. Although I don't have much time to cycle, I always remember how I succeeded.

As you can see after reading my article, you can become an expert of a hobby if you are brave and hardworking. You should never give up no matter how hard it is. It would be difficult for beginners. However, I'm sure that after you have gone through it, you will find that the difficulty could also be a challenge and that's the key of the first door to become successful or an expert of a hobby.

1A Cheung Tsz Ying

#### How did I become an expert in the hobby I like?

Everyone should have heard of "miniatures". There is a unit about it in S.1, but have you heard of "diorama"?

Dioramas are similar to miniatures, but they are actually two different things. Diorama is a three-dimensional display of a scenery, often containing a painted background in front of which models are arranged, while miniature is greatly diminished in size or form of reduced scale. For example, it could be found in a museum where stuffed animals are presented against a painted landscape.

While a miniature may take plenty of time to make or cost a lot due to the pricey components, a diorama can be made within a day with many die-cast toys or models. The first diorama I made took me 30 minutes only. Using an old toy car, a transparent plastic box, a printed background and cotton and foam as snow, I created a scene where a car is roaring across the snow. My second diorama is similar, but the snow was made with cotton only. My latest work is a chaotic scene as I simply stuffed the cotton into a tunnel to show a flooded tunnel. While all the dioramas I have made are covered in a transparent box, some made by others are not.

Some dioramas can take up to a week due to paint and terrain moulding. Basically, if you practise more, the dioramas you make can be more detailed.





1A Cheng Yik Hong



The epidemic has passed, and I have also welcomed my first year of secondary school life. I thought it would take years to take off my mask and face people to enjoy my secondary school

I participated in the English Speech Festival. This is the first time I have participated in it. I felt very anxious and nervous because I had never participated in this type of competition before. Fortunately, I have an excellent and patient teacher - Mr. Fu, who was actually the one who helped me get first place. He helped me with how to express my emotions appropriately, taught me the pronunciation of new words, and together we felt the emotions the poet wanted to express in the poem.

As the day of competition was approaching, my heart felt tense. I practised diligently at home, in the study room, in the bathroom, and in the bedroom. My home was filled with my voice reading the poem aloud, incorporating the poet's emotions. I think the stronger the emotions I express, the better the people can feel the moods. The night before the competition, I was completely turned into an automatic repeating machine. My mother joked about why I had to work so hard. My idea was that, since I didn't have enough experience, I should read and memorise more to make up for this deficiency.

In terms of experience, I was not better than my peers who were practising the same poem, and they were also excellent. At the same time, I also made efforts to catch up with them, and I practised until I was satisfied and confident. This time, I represented my school in the English Speech Festival, and was awarded first place for my school. I am grateful to my peers, the adjudicator and Mr. Fu.

1A Jiang Ruigian

Hi, I am Zunis. I got pretty good results in my First Term Exam. I mean I'm satisfied with it. Some of you may wonder what I did for the exam. Since I wanted great scores, below are the things I did.

The most basic step to take would be concentrating on the lessons. I also write down some points in my notebook, so when I do revision I don't have to read the whole textbook. Then, when I go home, I quickly finish my homework. Afterwards, I would do revision on what I learnt that day to make sure I understand all of it. After finishing my 'business', I usually take a break.

I also do my homework conscientiously. This is the way I test myself, so that I can know about my own level. Some of you may not agree, but I really think homework does help.

When an exam is approaching, I will do more extra revision. Sometimes we do not have any homework, so I will go through all the chapters in the exam syllabus. When I do in-depth revision, I will know what I should do. After I finish revision of one subject, I will do some past papers to test myself. This is

The last and the most important step is to set a revision timetable. I usually set a timetable that starts from a few days before the exams and ends on the last day of the exams. This is what I did for the exams. I hope

another way to evaluate my efforts. I think that's really helpful!

it will work for me forever! Of course, I hope it works for you too!



1A Tso Wing Yan

A hobby obviously means an activity done regularly in one's leisure time for fun. You might see people who are really great at their hobbies, such as ice skating, playing instruments and swimming. However, nobody could be an expert by the time one picks up a new hobby.

I have a lot of hobbies, but my most favourite one is drawing. The reason why I really like drawing is because the time spent sketching lines and marks on paper can wipe away my tiredness and anxiety. I don't really like water painting, since it's difficult to clean and you can't erase it. You probably think it isn't drawing, but just making random lines. However, I don't think so. I've been in a lot of trouble in the past.

When I was in kindergarten, it was the first time I touched a pencil. I didn't like drawing back then. Instead, I used pencils more often for writing until I started using coloured pencils. It was the first time I had tried doodling. I remember when the teacher told us to draw a vehicle, I tried really hard! In the end, though, it looked like two black-boiled eggs with ketchup on the plate. I looked at my friends' paintings and I was flabbergasted. The difference between us was like Nikola Tesla and a random student learning mechanical engineering. I felt quite upset. I looked at my drawing, where all the lines were blended together and the colours were mixed up. I felt so jealous of them. My tears were all over my face and I started growling. My teacher immediately comforted and instructed me. Under her instructions, I finally doodled something that at least looked like a car. I showed my loot to my classmates. They did not say anything bad, but they frowned. From their expressions, I could see "uh" on their faces. I was desperate again. I thought I would give up drawing until...

One day, my uncle and I watched an anime. The characters were so cool! I decided to draw the characters by myself, but the characters looked like some poor people praying for money. However, I did not give up. Instead I found some tutorials on Youtube. I followed them step by step. At last, although it still wasn't the same as the original, it was a fun experience for me. I also started practising art.

In primary two, one day when I was communicating with others on social media, I saw a category called "only arts". When I clicked on it, there were thousands of artists posting their art and the paintings were so great! Our difference was like a chick and a phoenix flying in the sky. I felt exhausted again, but as I thought about it positively, it meant I could still improve. I focused more on the art class in school. It was all about cutting papers and making some decorations which I was not interested in. But one day the teacher decided to teach us how to draw characters. I practised really hard. I also learnt how to use coloured pencils properly. At last, my result was great! It was also the first time that I had been praised by others for my drawing. I achieved a goal! That also inspired me to keep drawing.

After that day, my classmates kept finding me to help them draw different stuff. However I wasn't great at drawing everything. For example, I couldn't draw buildings well. Therefore, I moved on from drawing characters to buildings.

While learning how to design buildings, I learnt something called perspective. Basically, it means the representation of three-dimensional objects or spaces in two dimensional artworks. I also realised my paintings were always asymmetrical. Therefore I practised really hard again and again. After days of hard work, I did it! I couldn't wait to show off my drawings to others. However, I heard some teachers say there was a student who was really good at drawing too! My desire for challenges revived again. I found some of her paintings and couldn't deny that they were really good! I found something I always forgot in her paintings: emotion. My drawings were always not coloured. Therefore I started my journey of learning colours.

But actually, I had no idea what to draw. I decided to get outside more often to explore my creativity, but my mind just felt vain. Based on my understanding, a good painting must be perfect with the skillful use of techniques to present aspects like perspective, light and shadow, etc. It changed one day when our primary school teachers took my class to an art museum. It was an eye-opening experience. There were different abstract paintings and I didn't even know that literature could be a kind of art! I also learnt that the presentation of the personalities of artists is more important than that of the skills of artists. After that day, I kept exploring my creativity. I started drawing some abnormal stuff instead of daily stuff, like an extremely surprised elephant, a person with a foot as a head, and a walking nose with eyebrows.

Before I graduated from my primary school, my classmates and I had a competition of drawing about hygiene. I used all the things I had learnt from this journey. I ended up getting first place! I was so joyous that I nearly fainted! When the trophy was handed to me, I felt like all the hard work I did was worth the effort.

To conclude, drawing is never a simple thing if you focus on it. It's not a temporary activity but a long journey. As a hobby, it has also enhanced my creativity and writing skills too! If you're looking for a hobby, I really do recommend drawing!



1A Ho King Lun

One morning, I watched a TV show about cooking. When I saw the chef cooking good-looking food, I wanted to try cooking too, so I asked my mom to teach me how to cook.

Then, Mom said, "I'm going to teach you an easy dish, and that's a fried egg. It's easy for me, but it's not easy for a beginner, so that means you need to watch carefully how I am going to make it, and you need to listen to me, okay?" I answered her with an "ok" without thinking much.

Soon, Mom started the cooking lesson. "First, crack an egg and whip it until you can see bubbles. Then, pour some oil on a frying pan. Put the egg on it and leave it for 40 seconds. Last, put some salt on it to make it more tasty. And now, it's your turn." Mom said.

Inside the kitchen, I recalled the steps and tried to repeat what my mom had done. First, I tried to crack an egg, but I messed up as the egg fell on the floor and broke. I tried again, but I messed up again. I forgot to put the oil in before frying the egg. I was so upset because I couldn't even fry an egg. Mom said, "It's fine because this is your first time. Just try again." I didn't give up but kept trying like my mom said.

In my sixth attempt, I finally managed to make a fried egg that actually looked normal. I was overjoyed and thanked Mom for teaching me patiently and also telling me that failure is not the end, but a path to gain experience for the goals I set. My goal was to cook a fried egg and I eventually succeeded after going through failures.

1A Hui Cheuk Ning Jed

In my life, although there are a lot of obstacles, I keep on moving forward.

When I was four years old, my father bought me a bicycle. But at that time, I didn't know how to ride a bicycle, so I was very nervous but excited. After that, I started my cycling journey.

I thought it was easy to ride a bicycle. Once I got on it, I was ready to ride it. Unexpectedly, as soon as my feet left the ground, the bike suddenly shook violently and I lost my gravity and fell to the ground. Fortunately, I had safety equipment. I got up from the ground and continued practising. But what happened next was the same as before. When I was about to give up, suddenly I saw a boy at about the same age as me, singing a song and riding a bicycle past me. I was so jealous that I decided to muster the courage to try riding again. Then, I got on the bicycle. Although I still fell down, I learned a very useful experience, which was how to maintain balance.

After those attempts, I gradually learned how to ride a bicycle. Suddenly a familiar figure appeared next to me. I looked up and saw it was my father! It turned out that he had been observing me, which made me feel more confident. Finally, I successfully learned to ride a bicycle.



The experience of riding a bicycle for the first time was really unforgettable. I understand that as long as I work hard, I can do anything.

1B Yeong Hoi Ching

It is often said that experience is the best teacher. As a student, I have also experienced the ups and downs in my study. When I was in primary school, I was not an outstanding student at all. I always got low marks and my teacher thought I was not smart. But my parents believed in me and they never gave up on me. They encouraged me all the time and I tried my best to do well in my studies.

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In my upper primary, I made up my mind to be a top student. I worked hard to finish my homework and review my lessons. I joined the study group and discussed with my classmates. Whenever I had any problems, I asked my teachers and my classmates for help. Now, I am a successful student.

In order to stay motivated, I always tell myself that I can do it. I keep reminding myself of my goals.

What have I learnt? I have learnt that it is not easy to succeed, but if you work hard, you will make it.



1B Yeung Hoi Laam

Dreams are like seeds planted within the hearts of individuals, each with its unique shape and colour. Everyone yearns for their dreams to sprout, grow, blossom, and bear fruit. However, I am aware that bringing dreams to fruition is not as simple as one imagines. Nonetheless, I am determined to persevere and work hard, hoping that my dreams can become a reality. Dreams can indeed come true.

My ultimate goal is to become the best dancer in the world. I have a deep passion for dancing as it allows me to express my emotions freely and swiftly. Yet, I am fully aware that realising my dream is not as easy as it may seem. Despite experiencing defeats and setbacks in various

competitions, I am determined to learn from both my own mistakes and the successes of others. I acknowledge that there are teams and individuals who are superior to mine, and sometimes, I struggle to keep up. Nevertheless, I will continue practising tirelessly until I have a comprehensive understanding of the art.

In order to achieve my goal, I am persistently dedicated to learning new dance moves. Each day, I pour my heart into rigorous practice sessions. I firmly believe that with determination and unwavering commitment, I can overcome any obstacles that come my way.



1C Lam Yan Wing

What is my dream? My dream is to become an athlete. But why do I think this way? Because it has been my dream since childhood. I greatly admire those who compete on the world sports stage and bring glory to their country. I aspire to be like them. One of my inspirations is Cristiano Ronaldo. Witnessing his exceptional skills and the awards he won in 2008, I saw how he brought honour to his nation.

First and foremost, I must possess the perseverance to endure hardships and embrace hard work. It is crucial for me to establish a daily practice schedule to enhance my fitness.

Additionally, I need to maintain a healthy lifestyle, including proper work and rest times, as well as a balanced diet. Only by doing so can I achieve and maintain a healthy body.

One issue that greatly concerns me is my body shape. Since I need to control my weight, being underweight poses a challenge for me. This is my only weakness. To overcome it, I must strive to gain weight by following a diet plan prescribed by a nutritionist.

At last, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported and assisted me along the way. Their encouragement and guidance have been invaluable.



My dream is to be a doctor because a doctor can cure diseases and help more people. Every time I see someone dying of a disease, my heart hurts, so I want to be a doctor to help those in need.

I will read some books about medicine as it can help me learn early about various medical aspects. As for my plans, firstly, I want to learn everything needed to become a doctor.

However, being a doctor also has many requirements. For example, you need to have a strong attitude first, and then you also need to have good knowledge of medicine. The requirements are very strict. But my strengths lie in not being afraid of difficulties and having the spirit to help others.

Being a doctor involves high working pressure, as doctors need to invest a lot of time and energy to provide better medical care to patients. Within a limited time frame, doctors must make accurate diagnosis and treatment decisions. However, this can't be a weakness for me because I have a way to deal with stress. I can set reasonable work goals to ensure the quality and efficiency of work, reducing the time required and allowing for more rest.



1D Su Ka Wing

To sum up, I want to be a doctor because I want to help more families and prevent as many deaths from diseases as possible.



My dream is to be a nurse. When I was in primary 4, I had this thought because I believed a nurse can work in the hospital and this job can let me help people. My sister inspired me to be a nurse.

I am learning Science to achieve my dream. That subject can make me know more about the human body structure. I have to study hard to get a good result in HKDSE. Then I can get into the university. I want to study in the Department of Nursing at the University of Hong Kong because it is suitable for me and I want to help people.

My English is not very good. This is the obstacle I have to overcome. However, studying nursing requires understanding many difficult words. So, on the weekend, I have lessons at the British Council to improve my English.

If my dream comes true one day, I will be very busy. Nurses have a very busy day, such as dispensing medicines and performing surgeries. I think it is a good thing because I can also learn how to take care of others while at work. Also, I am really curious about what it is like in the operating theatre, so I will definitely continue to pursue this dream.



2A Pan Ka Yan

When I was young, I had many dreams, such as becoming a policeman, doctor, nurse, or teacher. However, as I've grown older, my aspirations have narrowed down to a single dream: becoming a YouTuber. This ambition took root when I was eleven years old, inspired by both an online friend and a friend I met in kindergarten.

To achieve this dream, I am currently immersing myself in the world of video editing. I recognize that in order to succeed, I need to invest in equipment and software, create numerous high-quality videos, and optimise video titles and thumbnails. Consequently, I have made the decision to explore advanced editing techniques to enhance my skills further.

Although I initially doubted whether this dream was suitable for me and whether I possessed the necessary strengths, I am determined to give it my all. I also possess another advantage—an unyielding spirit and a highly creative mind.

However, I did encounter challenges when it came to video editing. There were times when I struggled with tasks such as saving my work to Google Drive or utilising editing software

effectively. These obstacles serve as reminders of my current weaknesses in the field. To overcome them, I have decided to seek instructional videos on YouTube to expand my knowledge before fully embracing this dream.

In conclusion, if I want to pursue a career as a YouTuber, I acknowledge that there is still much for me to learn about video editing. Should I be fortunate enough to achieve this goal one day, I will share my happiness with others and continue pursuing this dream wholeheartedly, aiming to gain recognition from everyone.



2A Chan Yu Wa



I had many dreams. I wanted to be a renowned scientist and a respected painter. However, the most significant dream that lingers in my heart is to become a social worker. This desire arose when my English teacher, Mr. Li, taught us about disabled individuals, underprivileged children, and homeless people - highlighting their struggles in the world. Witnessing their plight, I realised their immense suffering, often without the knowledge of how to care for themselves. Consequently, I made the decision to pursue a career in social work, aiming to improve their living conditions and enhance their overall quality of life.

To accomplish my goal of becoming a social worker, I understand the importance of diligent studying for the HKDSE and gaining admission to a university. Additionally, I recognize the value of acquiring proficiency in various languages to effectively assist people in need across different countries. Moreover, I believe that I possess the necessary qualities and skills required of a social worker, such as patience, effective communication, and a strong spirit of teamwork.

However, there are certain obstacles I must overcome to fulfil my aspirations in social work. One such challenge is the emotional burden that comes with the profession. Social work often involves confronting emotional distress, psychological stress, and personal pain. It is crucial to acknowledge that listening to the stories of those in need may have a negative impact on one's emotional and mental well-being. To counter this, I have devised a solution: ensuring I get sufficient sleep. Adequate sleep allows me to let go of my burdens and maintain a healthy

state of mind. Additionally, engaging in regular exercise has proven to be beneficial. Exercise lifts my mood, reduces stress and anxiety, and improves the quality of my sleep. Moreover, physical activity enhances self-esteem, boosts self-confidence, and promotes overall physical and mental well-being.

In conclusion, my journey as a social worker would involve offering appropriate advice, providing comfort to those in need, displaying patience in communication, and extending assistance to all vulnerable groups.



2A Cheung Dick Kei

Being a teacher has always been my dream job. Since I was young, my sister became a Maths teacher and my brother a professor. Their influence inspired me to pursue a career in teaching. I am drawn to the opportunity to educate children and experience the sense of accomplishment that comes from imparting knowledge. When I expressed my desire to become a teacher to my sister, she was proud of me and provided valuable suggestions on how to pursue this path.

While chasing my dreams, I encountered some resistance from relatives, "toxic" friends, and even my parents. They believed I was just a child and couldn't achieve anything significant. However, fortunately, my sister has always been by my side, serving as a constant source of motivation for me to keep pursuing my dream. I am determined to prove myself. When I was a primary student, I already demonstrated strong speaking and writing skills, particularly in English. My achievements in English were among the best, and I possessed leadership qualities. I always assisted my friends with their English difficulties. I dedicated myself to studying English day and night, taking numerous lessons to improve my writing skills. Then, in the long run, pursuing a bachelor degree in English, English teaching, education, or a related field is an essential step for me.

During my journey to improve my English, I have faced various challenges. I found it particularly challenging to enhance my social skills and the abilities to express myself. Thankfully, my sister has consistently supported me and

shared her educational experiences. As a result, my confidence grew, and I became even more motivated to study harder. I constantly remind myself not to give up on chasing my dream.

Once my dream becomes reality, I will work diligently to further develop my skills. I am committed to assisting more students who struggle with English and providing them with the support they need. My hope is to share my experiences and inspire others who face difficulties in pursuing their dreams.



Cheung Yuen Ting





No gain without pain, they say. And when it comes to dreams, this saying holds true. My dream is to become a veterinarian and save countless animals. A few days ago, as I watched short videos, my heart ached witnessing the abuse, injuries, and illnesses suffered by many small animals. It ignited a deep desire within me to rescue and protect them. Moreover, my father, an avid animal lover, shares the same aspiration for me.

To turn my dreams into reality, I'm dedicating myself to diligent study and English practice. The Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (DSE) requires a minimum score of 5 in English and 3 in other subjects, if I am to pursue veterinary medicine at tertiary education levels. As I have a passion for Biology, I believe it will suit me well. My plan is to first enhance my English skills, as mine are currently not at an optimal level. Additionally, I intend to involve myself with animal protection organisations and associations to accumulate hands-on experience with animals. I have an advantage in this regard since I already have a cat at home, which has allowed me to develop a strong bond with animals. Therefore, if my dream comes true one day, it will be a perfect fit for me.

One of my weaknesses is that my English proficiency is not yet at a very high level. To overcome this, I will immerse myself in English books and expand my vocabulary. In terms of academic challenges, I anticipate memorising a significant amount of information in the subjects of Biology and Chemistry. To tackle this, I will intensify my studies and seek quidance from my teachers

whenever I encounter difficulties.

If my dream becomes reality, I will use my voice to raise awareness about animal welfare and advocate for their protection. Finally, I express deep gratitude to my parents for supporting me financially and believing in my dream. I am also grateful to myself for the relentless effort I am putting into this pursuit.



2A Wong Yuk Ting Luzia

What is your dream? I believe a dream is something you truly desire but don't currently have the means or ability to attain. For me, my dream is to become an artist. I first developed this aspiration at the age of eight, as I found immense enjoyment in the process of drawing and creating handmade crafts. It was a fun and fulfilling experience, providing me with a sense of achievement and happiness. While no specific person inspired me to pursue art, it was purely my own choice. Yet, my mother has indeed been a great source of encouragement, urging me not to give up easily.

To achieve this dream, I dedicate myself to continuous drawing and crafting, as I believe consistent practice will enhance my skills and abilities. The key requirements for pursuing this dream are approaching tasks with a studious attitude and embracing failures as opportunities for growth. Becoming an artist is a perfect fit for me because I derive great pleasure from creating and find it to be a relaxing activity. One of my strengths lies in my ability to quickly grasp new concepts, coupled with my patience.

However, I anticipate encountering obstacles as I encounter unfamiliar territory and face new challenges. This presents a weakness, as I struggle to find time to improve my drawing skills. Nevertheless, I am determined to overcome these obstacles by actively seeking ways to enhance my abilities and continually learn. To overcome these challenges, I remind myself to persist in the face of new experiences and strive for success on my own.

If my dream were to come true one day, I would sell my artwork and handmade crafts to provide for my family and express my gratitude towards them. As I am currently too young to have a

traditional job, this is the best way for me to contribute. Additionally, I might consider sharing my creations on social media to gain recognition and popularity. This could potentially attract the attention of companies, leading to opportunities where they commission me to create peripheral products, allowing me to earn a substantial income.

By remaining dedicated to my dream, I hope to create a fulfilling life for myself and positively impact others through my artistic endeavours.







Hello, my name is Law Tsz Shing. I would like to discuss my dream. My dream is to achieve excellent grades in the DSE and become a doctor in the future. This aspiration originated when I was in Secondary One, as I witnessed my sister's diligent efforts to excel in the DSE and pursue a medical career at university. Additionally, I believe that this profession can provide financial stability. The person who inspires me the most is my mother, who consistently emphasises the value of hard work leading to success.

To realise my dream, I need to work harder in my studies. For instance, I must engage in more exercise and dedicate time to daily studying. The requirements for me are to attain a Level Four or Five in the DSE and excel particularly in English. In order to enhance my English skills, I have devised a plan. My strategy involves reading books every day to improve my language proficiency, as I will need to study subjects like Chemistry and Biology using English as the language medium. This approach will also help reduce my inclination to spend too much time on computer games. I consider my strengths to lie in mathematics and science, as I can swiftly solve mathematical problems and have a genuine interest in the natural world and scientific concepts.

There are certain obstacles I may encounter during my studies. One is my tendency to be lazy and procrastinate when it comes to completing tasks or adhering to plans. Additionally, I struggle with spelling and possess a limited vocabulary. English is my

weakness. To address this, I am actively watching and listening to more English videos to overcome this challenge.

Finally, I would like to discuss my motivation for pursuing my goal. I have always witnessed doctors helping and healing patients, which has instilled in me a deep admiration for the profession. Moreover, becoming a doctor can offer financial rewards. If my dreams come true one day, I will be able to provide care to others while also achieving financial stability.



2A Law Tsz Shing



On Earth, I think everyone has more than one dream. Having dreams can make people work harder and improve their lives. I also have one dream.

My dream is to be a snooker athlete because snooker is my favourite sport. A year ago, my dad brought me to play snooker with him and it made me think it is fun and exciting. Since then, snooker has become my favourite sport in my life.

I am currently trying to achieve my dream. Every Saturday and Sunday, I practise my snooker skills. On Saturdays, I practise snooker with my snooker friends, and if we don't understand anything, we will ask our teacher. On Sundays, I practise and play with my dad to gain experience.

When I practise snooker with my friends, our teacher teaches us a lot of important things, such as how to attack and defend. After practice, I have lunch with my snooker friends and my dad. After lunch, I continue playing snooker.

In the end, I work hard to achieve my dreams. I need to spend more time practising my snooker skills and asking the teacher questions. To achieve my goal, I will practise more to win against other players and earn trophies from competitions.



2B So Shing Hin

How to define "success"? I think "success" means that you can have a sense of fulfilment. For example, success could mean being rich and famous. If you realise your dream, you can feel a sense of success.

I think success is important because success can push us to improve ourselves. Success can affirm our efforts or make our parents proud of us.

I want to succeed, so I set realistic and achievable goals. For example, when I achieve my goal, I will buy a present for myself. It serves as a reward for myself and motivates me to accomplish more goals. Next, I want to wake up at five o'clock to read books. It can enhance my writing ability and let me learn more words. I also want to create a timetable to become more self-disciplined and productive. I won't keep postponing tasks in the future.

When I want to focus on something, my phone often distracts me, making it difficult to concentrate on reading books. Progress becomes slow. So, I will give my phone to my parents and set an alarm clock to remind myself of what I should be doing during that time.

I think being positive means facing difficulties with an optimistic attitude and not just focusing on the end results when making choices. Positive expectations make people more willing to dedicate their energy to achieving their goals. Negative expectations make people unsure of where to start, resulting in stagnation.

When I feel discouraged, I reward myself with presents as rewards and use them as encouragement. Receiving praise from others, such as my parents, teachers and friends, also motivates me to achieve my goals.

In conclusion, success is important. Approaching things with a positive attitude and having positive expectations can help us achieve our goals. Giving ourselves encouragement can also boost motivation.

2B Lee Hei Lam

What do you consider as "success"? From my viewpoint, success means accomplishing your targets and achieving dreams. Success can bring you joy and fulfilment. It is the process of recognizing yourself.

From my experience, I can mention what happened in the past. When I was in Form 1, I got poor grades in English. My English teacher looked at me disappointedly. At that time, I made up my mind to study English hard. I began to read English books and recite English words every day.

In my academic life, I encountered many difficulties. Learning English was one of them. Failing the exams and laziness held me back. However, I didn't give up. I believe there is no difference between avoiding difficulties and giving up on life. So, I overcame my obstacles and achieved my target. There may be more difficulties in the future, but as long as you set a goal and hold a positive attitude, you can succeed.

Positive thinking can help us find ways to overcome challenges. Since I didn't shy away from the difficulties, I have now achieved my goal and obtained good results. I will continue to strive for even better achievements in the future.

However, from a practical point of view, it can be challenging to overcome the tendency of laziness. Therefore, I need a small reward. My mother promised to buy me a mobile phone if my English continues to improve, which serves as my motivation to keep going.

The above is what I consider to be successful and the way to succeed. I hope you find some inspiration from this. If you want to achieve success, it is time to make a change now.



2B Xu Winnie

What do you consider as "success"? I know! Success is very important to me. For example, in the running race, I won the 1st prize. It made me very happy, and I received approval from my classmates.

On the other hand, I have a specific goal in my mind. I want to be the champion in swimming competitions and get 100 marks in my exams. I also want to play basketball better than my friends do. If I can achieve these goals, I will reward myself with some snacks.

To earn those snacks, I need to take specific actions. First, I want to become the swimming champion, which means practising swimming every day. Second, I aim to get 100 marks, so I ought to study both at home and at school every day. Third, I want to outperform my friends in basketball, so I need to practise regularly to improve my strength.

A year ago, I joined a match. I fell down on the track, but I told myself not to give up. I stood up straight and ran till the end. I received encouragement from everyone. Although I came in second place, I felt very satisfied because of all the effort I put in.



2B Wong Chun Yin

Without wind and rain, how can we see a rainbow?

Skiing in the mountains has been my dream but I did not have the chance since I live in the south. Finally, I realised this dream with my brother last winter. When I walked into the ski resort, I was envious of the people skiing down the slope calmly. So I couldn't wait to put on the heavy shoes and skis, took the snow pole and hurried out. I wanted to show my skills, but when I stepped on the snow, I found that I could not even walk. I tried to do what my brother told me what to do on the flat snow. Looking at the gentle slope in front of me, I saw a girl of five or six years old who could slide down from the slope. Then I confidently went to the ski lift to slide down, but I did not successfully stand on the ground the first time. I didn't give up and I tried again, but the skis went down like a shot, causing me to fall again and again. I patted the snow on my body to hide my embarrassment, and awkwardly removed the skis and walked down the hill.

My brother encouraged me and said, "It doesn't matter. Just try a few more times!" I clenched my teeth and turned back towards the ropeway up the hill. Halfway up the slope, I adjusted my breathing, and then I tried to steady myself. At first, the skis moved slowly forward, then

faster and faster. I was so scared that I closed my eyes. I knew nothing but the wind whistling in my ears. Finally, the speed gradually slowed down, and then the skis came to a stop. I opened my eyes, and found that I was standing safely at the finishing line. Many people were looking at me with envy. I was able to slide down smoothly. I cheered happily, "I learned how to ski! I did it!"

On the way to success, there are always difficulties waiting for us. By overcoming difficulties, we can reach success and make our dreams come true.



2D Wei Tsz Yuk

I once had an experience that taught me the truth: hard work leads to success. When I was in the fifth grade, I got a very low score in a Chinese Language exam. It made me feel very disappointed and incompetent.

My mother saw my transcript and said to me, "You didn't do well in the exam this time, but that doesn't mean you can't succeed. As long as you work hard, you can definitely achieve good results." I heard my mother's words and felt a glimmer of hope.

From that day on, I made up my mind to study hard. After school every day, I spent time reviewing my homework and doing exercises. I also discovered some effective learning methods, such as doing more reading comprehension exercises to improve my reading skills.

After a period of effort, my Chinese grades significantly improved. My Chinese teacher and classmates were all surprised by my changes and praised me one after another. I was very happy because my hard work finally paid off.



2D Zhu Cheuk Yu

I think success is achieving the goals you have set as well as achieving your ideal and expected results. I think success is important to me because during the process of success, I constantly grow and learn. Success also brings me recognition from everyone. For me, success is measured by intrinsic rewards. In the process of success, I am the only one who knows my own growth, the satisfaction and the sense of achievement that success brings me. If success is measured by external achievements, I will receive the most recognition, certificates, and medals from others.

In the process of setting realistic goals, one should first set a goal, then ensure that the goal is realistic and achievable, and finally set specific action plans and timelines. In the process of setting achievable goals, one should first set a clear and achievable goal, and then develop a plan to carry out each step. I have set two learning goals: to rank top 18 in each exam and to stay top 10 in Mathematics. These two goals are important because I want to improve, not regress, and always maintain this ranking. I will preview the content in the textbook before each class, organise the content taught by the teacher during breaks into study notes after class, and ask the teacher after class if I don't understand anything. I will do more exercises to reinforce my knowledge gained. In the process of achieving goals, I may encounter various types of problems, such as encountering topics that I don't understand even after asking the teacher, and being careless when doing exercises.

I had an exam recently, and I was reviewing the materials every day. When I encountered any unclear points, I would ask the teacher and finally understand them. I had already mastered the knowledge, but my exam results did not meet my expectations. Therefore, I felt very frustrated. In order to overcome difficulties, I have developed a detailed study plan, sought help from teachers and classmates, and worked hard to maintain a positive attitude. Through persistent efforts and diligent learning, I successfully overcame this difficulty, achieving desired results and realising my academic goals. This has cultivated my perseverance and resilience, enhanced my problem-solving ability, and developed my strong psychological qualities. Adaptability and perseverance also play very important roles in striving for success. Adaptability can help us better adapt to new environments and situations, and quickly adjust our thinking and actions. Only with good adaptability can we better seize opportunities, cope with challenges, and achieve success. On the road to success, we often encounter setbacks, difficulties, and failures. Perseverance can help people stick to their original aspirations in times of adversity, not giving up easily but continuing to work hard until success. Perseverance is the key to overcoming challenges and difficulties.

A positive or growth mindset encompasses a positive, optimistic and cheerful attitude, as well as a belief in continuous learning and progress. People with a positive or growth mindset see challenges and difficulties as opportunities for growth, are willing to accept challenges and learn from them. They are not knocked down by difficulties, but actively respond, seek solutions, and ultimately overcome difficulties to achieve success. People with a positive or growth mindset continue to learn and continuously improve their abilities and knowledge. They are willing to accept new ideas and skills, constantly improve themselves, maintain an attitude of progress and growth. This continuous learning attitude makes them more competitive and more likely to succeed. Therefore, it can be seen that there is a close relationship between a positive or growth mindset and success. For example, some people may be afraid to speak in public, but when faced with this limitation with a growth mindset, they will actively learn presentation skills and practise continuously. They will also learn from failures and setbacks, gradually improving their confidence, and ultimately overcoming the fear of public speaking. Accepting challenges means being able to place oneself in unfamiliar or uncomfortable environments, prompting us to face new situations and problems, thereby promoting personal

growth and development. Seeking feedback can help us understand others' opinions and evaluations of us, thereby identify our own blind spots and shortcomings, and help to improve our own performance. Learning from failure can help us identify the root cause of problems so that we can learn from lessons to avoid making the same mistakes again. As a result, we can constantly improve ourselves, and achieve progress and improvement.

Interpersonal relationships are very important because friends can provide us with advice, emotional support, and encourage us during hard times. Investing time and energy in interpersonal relationships is very beneficial for both our personal and career development. Cultivating hobbies can help people relax both physically and mentally, reduce stress, and improve their quality of life. Investing time and energy into activities that one enjoys can bring joy and enjoyment, while also contributing to personal development, learning, and self-exploration. My strategies for effectively managing time while striving for success include using calendar applications, to-do list applications, etc. to help record tasks, remind, and manage time. Also I set clear time limits for each task to avoid wasting time on unnecessary trivial matters. In order to strive to succeed, we may need to sacrifice some rest or entertainment time to fully devote ourselves to work or study, or we may need to reduce our social activity time and focus on our career or studies.

The different sources of motivation that drive me to pursue success include intrinsic motivation. I have a desire for success, a pursuit of self-realisation, persistence in goals, and the joy of challenges. At the same time, I also have the support of family and friends. The support and encouragement of family and friends can motivate me to strive for success, maintain a

positive attitude and motivation. When facing distractions or setbacks, I practise techniques such as meditation, deep breathing, and concentration training to help me refocus. I also read inspirational books, listen to others' success stories, attend lectures or workshops, etc., to help me find new inspiration and motivation.

Success is what many people dream of, but many people give up pursuing it due to various small difficulties. We need to overcome difficulties and push ourselves in order to succeed.



3A Zeng Zi Yan



# ENGLISH DAYS

#### SHD Halloween Skelebration

SHD Halloween Skebration was a spooktacular event that brought the spooky spirit of Halloween to life at our school! Teachers from different subjects transformed into creepy characters, forming the incredible 'Skelebration Squad' to 'haunt' our students. The day continued with exciting lunchtime Halloween game booths, where students had a blast participating in thrilling activities and taking photos with their favourite Skelebration Squad characters. The memorable event was definitely one of the highlights of the school year.





#### Sunners' Jolly Jingle Jam

Our 'Sunners' Jolly Jingle Jam' Christmas concert was a heartwarming and joyful celebration of the holiday season. The event featured dazzling performances by our talented students, teachers from various departments, as well as the enthusiastic participation of our Principal and Vice-Principals. The collaboration with the music department and their vibrant music band added an extra layer of magical sensation to the show. The event spread holiday cheer and filled our hearts with warmth and love that will be cherished for years to come.

For me, "Success" means achieving accomplishments in various fields or achieving personal goals. In other words, making a dream come true is equal to success.

To be successful, we should set goals that are challenging yet attainable. They should not be easy to achieve, but they shouldn't be impossible either. For example, setting a goal to run 100m in 8 seconds is unattainable for humans in this century. Instead, we should set goals that are challenging yet within our capabilities. One of my goals is to run faster than last year and beat my personal best. Also, I aim to improve my studies.

The road to success is filled with obstacles and setbacks. We must face them and overcome the odds. Personally, when I overcome obstacles and setbacks, I adjust my mindset and engage in exercises to relax my anxious mind. Afterwards, I promptly commit to training again. I refuse to be defeated by the momentary failures.

Developing a positive mindset is important for striving to succeed. If you constantly believe you can't accomplish something, you will never achieve it. Having a mindset focused on failure prevents you from giving your utmost effort. I also believe that failure is beneficial for striving to succeed. By learning from failure, you can understand why you failed and avoid repeating the same mistakes. Accumulated experience is the key to striving to succeed.

Balancing priorities is important for everyone who seeks success. Consider what needs to be done first. For example, if you have two assignments, one due in two weeks and the other due the next day, it is evident that you should prioritise the more urgent homework.

To conclude, we should establish goals to achieve. These goals should serve as our motivation, helping us stay focused. With strong determination, achieving these goals becomes easier.



3A Tse Tsz Ho



Success is not merely an end result, but a continuous process. It is important to me, because it can make me feel more confident when I have a target and provide a sense of self-satisfaction within my own heart. If we want to be successful, we need some useful methods to achieve it. Let's discuss how to succeed!

First, we should establish realistic plans and goals. Setting goals enhances our motivation to succeed. Also, having a clear and structured schedule helps us allocate time effectively. A well-designed schedule enables us to determine what tasks need to be completed during specific periods. For example, when exams or tests are coming, I create a schedule to guide my study. Therefore, setting plans and goals proves to be a useful approach for achieving success.

Subsequently, we will encounter many difficulties in the process. At that time we may feel a little bit frustrated, but don't be discouraged or give up. That's normal in our lives as everyone will face difficulties. As long as we persevere, we can overcome every obstacle. Therefore, we should strive to succeed with determination, resilience and perseverance.

Moreover, I am going to provide an example of a famous person who also strives to succeed with determination, resilience and perseverance. That person is Galileo. His family was really poor when he was young, so he had to leave college early. However, he did not give up studying Mathematics. After working hard, he achieved excellent results in his scientific research.

To conclude, everybody will face difficulties. With determination, resilience and perseverance, we can overcome all difficulties, so hang on and strive to succeed to realise your dreams!



3A Zeng Siu Yin



What is success? If you ask some random strangers on the street, you may get many various kinds of answers. There is no model answer for this, as it could be measured in different areas of life, such as career, education, relationships, personal development, health, and overall happiness. Personally, I believe that success may be defined in terms of making a positive impact on society, having meaningful relationships, or achieving self-satisfaction. For individuals, success represents the achievement of their goals, which can reach a sense of self-satisfaction or just simply happiness. It can also act like a motivator for me to continue striving for personal growth and development. Those are the reasons why success is vital to everyone, including myself.

In terms of striving to succeed, we can set goals for it. For instance, I will tell myself that I should be getting top 20 in the first term exam. We may set a realistic goal that can suit your own ability, so it shall be achievable. At the same time, you should be aiming high on the goals, try to balance them. If you really could not achieve the goals you set, start from the bottom, push your goals if you have already achieved the previous goal and eventually you will reach the top. However, setting goals is just the start, the difficult part of the process is to achieve the goals. I believe putting a bit of effort and time on achieving goals is already enough, you will be surprised at how the hard work would pay off, so why don't give it a try on setting and achieving goals?

Furthermore, there are always challenges throughout the process for you to encounter, no matter even if you have already succeeded, you could still face setbacks and other obstacles. For example, I was usually among the top five students in exams and tests, but in the recent final exam, my result suffered a huge slump, dropping from top 5 to top 30 in the whole form. Nevertheless, I still overcame it with my positive mindset. I could get back on the track in the next test even with the setback I had. As always, a positive mindset is important, think positive, have faith in what you have already achieved before. When facing challenges and setbacks, get over them as soon as possible, try to minimise the impact on you. There will be lots of other chances and opportunities to achieve goals and become successful.

Moreover, balancing priorities is important for being successful. There are many different aspects in our life, like I said, success can be defined in many aspects, but you could not always succeed in all aspects so we have to balance them. To start things off, clarify your values on different aspects. Take the time to identify and prioritise your core values. Consider what truly matters to you in different areas of your life, such as career, relationships, health, and personal growth. It helps you align your goals with your values and make informed decisions about where to allocate your time and energy. Then, you may set your goals. Define specific goals that reflect your priorities. Break down your goals into smaller steps and determine the level of importance and urgency for each one. This will allow you to use your resources effectively and focus on what matters most and this will save your time.

Finally, stay focused and find ways to keep yourself motivated. If you could achieve a goal, there will be basic motivations for you to keep achieving other goals. Celebrating what you have achieved can also bring motivation too, but you also have to be humble too.

To conclude, there are many factors of success, be confident in achieving goals and all the efforts you put in would pay off. Never too early, never too late. Set your goals now and strive to succeed!



3A Chen Sai Ho

What is success? First of all, I consider that being born in mediocrity, and dying in mediocrity are the greatest sorrows in life. Success can mean different things to different people. For me personally, I consider that success represents the results and gains after my efforts. The rarest and commendable gain is my personal growth. Just like the sentence in "The Old Man and the Sea", "A man can be destroyed but not defeated." On the road to success, there will always be many setbacks and tribulations, and you will inevitably fall and become confused on the road. However, I think this is not a "failure". The most important thing is to muster the courage to start from scratch, learn lessons, stand up again and stride forward. By understanding my own shortcomings, I make progress, and eventually move towards real success.

Take me as an example. My English level was very low, so I set a goal to improve my English score. This is not simply about my grades, but also about my future. For example, the subject selection in Form 3 will be based on personal ability, which determines the order in which subjects should be selected. Therefore, my English level affects whether I can choose the subjects I prefer and my future work development directions. However, after setting my goal, I was all at sea, and didn't know where to start. Therefore, I tried to ask my English teacher for help, who told me to read more English books and newspapers in my daily life. When watching TV, I could also watch more TV dramas or news in English to improve my English. Moreover, I could try to communicate with others in English so as to improve the level of oral communication in my daily life.

However, it goes without saying that this is undoubtedly extremely difficult for me. When I try to read English novels, I always need to stay on the same page for a long time. I always encounter a dozen unknown words on a page, not to mention the complicated grammar and tense patterns. Therefore, I always needed to look up dictionaries on the Internet to decipher words I didn't know one after another. Gradually, I would find the content boring and difficult to understand even after reading half of the book. It took me a month to finish reading a book. In the subsequent tests and assessments, again and again, my grades still showed no signs of improvement, but time waits for no one. As the day of subject selection gradually approaches, the pressure and anxiety in my heart become increasingly difficult to suppress... I felt like all my efforts were in vain. However, I tried hard not to sink into negative emotions, because this was just a useless effort and would only trap me in failure. The only way to achieve success is to face it with an optimistic and positive attitude, learn from failures, embrace challenges, and constantly look for solutions to problems.

I began to reflect on what I did wrong, and I humbly asked the classmates around me for their learning methods. Gradually, I realised "Rome was not built in a day". I began to change my learning strategy, aiming to memorise ten words a day. As the days went by, I slowly increased my memorization to fifteen or twenty words a day. I understand that height is a pile of steps, the road is a step-by-step journey, and success is long and hard work. When I picked up an English book again, I understood the meaning. I could read the content fluently and learn the grammar and tense patterns. As the proverb goes, "All things are difficult before they are easy."

All in all, to be successful, it is important to have a positive mindset and believe in oneself. Confidence, resilience, and a willingness to learn from failures are key elements of achieving success. Success is more than simply about pursuing one's own dreams and aspirations. I always believe that all the hard work will not be in vain, but must be rewarded.



Success, one of the major factors that bring us a sense of achievement, drives individuals to pursue their own goals. In order to fulfil these aspirations, sacrifices and determined efforts are often necessary. I personally think that it's important to keep sprinting for your success in what you want to do, even if other people try to underestimate what you are doing right now, you should still do it for your future self. Even if it's about small things like physical growth or body changes, people could still feel accomplished for succeeding in their major 'achievement'.

I also have goals. For instance, growth. Now, don't get me wrong! I'm your typical small 'dwarf' in class which is actually a major problem for me since many of my classmates are like players from the NBA. They are literal titans compared to me. So that's when you decided to start going on my height growing journey and I started to eat healthily and do some simple sports like skipping rope and just jumping around. I didn't see big change at first but I told myself that "success won't just instantly appear once you aim at it. You have to work for it until it eventually appears on its own." I started to "try much harder" and after a month of hard work, I found myself growing taller by the minute and I feel really glad about my success.

You see? Many people have their own goals. Once it's done, you will feel proud of yourself. Perseverance is key to success as there might be some burdens that keep you from doing what you do like, such as public controversy. But that doesn't deter you from doing what you want to do. Instead, you keep doing it, ignore all those 'obstacles', you'll eventually find your finish line in no time by then.

There is one quote that really resonates with what I have mentioned before and it is a quote from Robin Sharma: "Dreams don't 'come true'. Dreams get 'made true". You have the power to get up, execute and make beautiful results happen, day by day." I really like this quote as it tells you not to give up and keep executing your journey.

I once felt really sad about my results. Like when I was "demoted" from class A to class D. However, I told myself that I'm not going to give up easily, and I will return to class A because I feel comfortable studying there. I studied like no other and got some really outstanding results, so when the second year came to an end, I finally got accepted to class A again. I was really ecstatic about what I have achieved and now I'm really happy. You see? "Dreams" or what I call accomplishments don't come on their own. You have to make them happen and keep sprinting for them.

Some people may just focus on one thing and just give up on another like, for example, relationships. Some people may have boyfriends or girlfriends and just tend to give up on their academic studies and therefore, get nowhere in life. And that's a really bad example for success. You can't just focus on one thing and just let the others go. You have to balance different

aspects in life, try to balance what you are doing and stop at the right time. Just like striking a balance between entertainment and studying. Try to play games for only 1 to 2 hours and then study for a longer duration because studying is more important, after all. Try to manage proper timing and different things and in that way, you would have no problems reaching success.

To summarise, you have to make success happen, and don't just wait. You have to work hard to get what you deserve, like in our school's motto—"Strive To Succeed".



3A Kong Ho Lam

3A Chiu Yu Tong

Effort is a key factor in the pursuit of success. Success is not just about reaching your goals or realising your dreams, but the important thing is the growth and gains you get in the process. Success means pushing beyond your limits, overcoming difficult obstacles, and becoming a better version of yourself. To me, success is a journey of constantly moving forward and achieving your goals in the process.

During my secondary school career, I went through a grinding experience. Once, I was preparing to take an important exam, which would have a great impact on my future studies. However, during the preparation process, I encountered difficulties and challenges. I found myself unable to understand some complex concepts and issues, which left me feeling frustrated and powerless.

But I understand that hard work is only part of the journey to success. I decided not to give up. Instead, I sought help and learned strategies. I took the initiative to seek explanations and guidance from my teachers and classmates. I also participated in cram schools and study groups to strengthen my understanding and application abilities. I also adjusted my study methods, made plans more organised, and allocated time for study and review.

The hard work and perseverance during this period finally paid off. I achieved satisfactory results in the exam, which further strengthened my knowledge and confidence. This success is not only an affirmation of my personal efforts, but more importantly, my perseverance in learning the importance of success.

Perseverance is one of the keys to success. Perseverance enables us to persevere and find solutions to problems when we encounter difficulties and hardships. It allows us to maintain motivation and purpose despite difficulties and to keep working hard. Perseverance is not only the ability to overcome difficulties, but also the cultivation of perseverance and pursuit of excellence.

The meaning of success lies not only in the results, but also in the growth and learning we gain through hard work and perseverance. Every trial and difficulty is an opportunity for us to grow.

They temper our character and wisdom. Success is a difficult journey that involves many challenges and sacrifices, but it is these challenges that make us stronger and more determined.

No matter what our goals are, as long as we have perseverance and hard work, we can be on the road to success. Let us work tirelessly to overcome difficulties and pursue excellence. Success will accompany our growth and efforts and become the most brilliant achievement in our lives.



3A Ho Kiu Yu

Success is the goal that everyone pursues. There are many ways to succeed, for example, having full marks in the examination, opening up a business successfully and resolving disputes with friends. However, it does not come easily. You have to do hard work and make a relentless effort to overcome it. But overall speaking, how can you achieve the mindset of "strive to succeed"?

First of all, you have to define your own success. Different people have different definitions and interpretations of success. Every success is a milestone of your life. It makes you feel extremely happy and allows you to achieve a sense of accomplishment.

Then, you can set goals for success. The goals must be specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and time-based. For example, I set a goal that I must lose 10 pounds this month. This is because I was teased by my classmates. I did not want to be a fat boy anymore. Next, I set up my scheme. What I had to do every day was stick to the plan.

In this process, I faced some challenges. The first challenge was myself. Sometimes I could not control myself and started eating junk food. Luckily, I realised it very soon. I asked my parents to monitor my breakfast, lunch and dinner. The second challenge was my friends. My friends asked me out to lunch and to eat junk food. I told them that I had to lose weight or else I wouldn't go with them. Although I had lunch alone, I could lose weight. Finally, I lost 10 pounds this month. My parents were surprised when they saw my weight loss. Now, no one makes fun of me any more.

After this success, I realised perseverance is crucial in this process. Although my friends asked me out to eat junk food, I firmly refused. In addition, seeking help is important as help from parents and peers can make my goal and plan more achievable.

One of the most paramount strategies is to embrace challenges without fear. I figured out I became more mature as I finished one of my important goals. I feel that I am moving to another level. Therefore, never forget "Strive to Succeed"!



3A Wong Chung Fei



I believe everyone hopes to "succeed", but many people don't actually know what "success" means. Some people think that being rich means being successful, others think that you need to do something great. Of course, each of us has a different definition of success.

The secular definition of success is having money, a car, a house, and other material things. Most people only look at the surface and feel that others are more successful and richer than us, but they fail to see the hard work and sacrifice behind others. In fact, they are all the results of time and concentration.

From my perspective, I believe success is achieving set goals within a specified time, and then obtaining the achievements you want from life through your own efforts. Only when people have goals can they be motivated, and only when they have goals can they make progress. Choosing goals is crucial when planning our lives. After the goal is set, it is even more important to always understand what your goal is, and then firmly and persistently focus on your goal for a long time and persist in working hard to achieve this. It is very difficult to practise. Many people are in the process of achieving their goals. They often forget what their goals are, or lose their goals, and often fail to persist to the end, which makes people sigh. Successful people must choose appropriate goals, maintain a clear understanding of their goals, and persistently work towards them step by step over a long period.

Success is like running. The road ahead is hard work, and the road behind is hard work. There will always be various setbacks in the process of struggle. If you have a goal, you may succeed. What are setbacks? Persistence is success, and perseverance is hope. If we regard setbacks as challenges and motivation to move forward, setbacks and difficulties are not necessarily bad things because they allow us to work hard. Everyone desires success and strives for greatness, but the journey is not easy. We must move forward with the belief to achieve our goals and find success.



3B Lam Man Yi



What is success? Success has different definitions for different individuals. Some believe that success is an external achievement like being a famous person or getting some rewards. Others consider success as an internal reward, like gaining knowledge or having unforgettable experiences in daily life. In my own opinion, internal rewards lead to fulfilment. For example, even in defeat, I can still learn valuable lessons.

In the past, I used to believe that grades were very important. However, I now believe that selfcultivation and personal values determine how successful a person is.

Achieving goals can reflect one's value. When studying Math, for example, I recognize my own potential when I solve more questions correctly.

We may encounter various obstacles and potential challenges. By overcoming obstacles and setbacks, we learn that we have grown.

From my perspective, continuosly challenging oneself defines success.



3R Chan Tsz Ki

Success is necessarily defined by oneself, but different people's perceptions of success are different. We can define the scope of success first, so you can confirm whether you are moving towards success. In fact, success is not a point, but a fact. That is to say, it should not be called success if you only reach a milestone, but for me, success should be defined as whether you can enjoy it after reaching a set goal, and whether you can benefit others in addition to self-interest.

Modern individuals are accustomed to going to bed late and getting up late, but in fact getting up early gives you time to make progress. Whether it's catching up on work emails, revising or just having time to plan your day, waking up early means you're off to a good start. Admittedly, it can be a little difficult when you first try it, so ease yourself into it slowly and gradually adjust the time you wake up, so once you're able to readjust your clock, you'll feel empowered. We all encounter setbacks in different areas, but the most important thing is to learn from our mistakes, overcome obstacles, and face the big jumps as we strive to achieve goals.

Then, when people enter a state of selflessness, they may not experience certain emotions, or find it challenging. In fact, after focusing on completing one thing, they will feel a sincere sense of satisfaction and a positive emotion. Success will also bring them further success.

After that, on the way to searching for success, we will always face some interference. When facing interference, we must stay focused because motivation is not

something we are born with, but we get it from ourselves. The sense of accomplishment from small successes will automatically motivate you.

Finally, success is a journey, and success is replicable and predictable. Success has less to do with what you hope for, pray for, or the strategies you develop. It has everything to do with hard work, doing the right things, using the right methods, and then repeating them. If you continue to do the right things, success will be just around the corner.



3B Leung Tsz Wai

In my opinion, success means having a great amount of wealth. With the abundant amount of money, I can travel anywhere, eat anything and play anything I like. In order to be wealthy, it is essential to obtain a well-paid job. Nevertheless, in the relentless pursuit of success, it is backbreaking to get an outstanding resume in this highly competitive metropolis. English, in particular, is the most challenging subject for me. I am therefore extremely determined to overcome my biggest obstacle - English.

At first, I tried to memorise words day and night which I thought would be useful for me. However, something went wrong. Although I had memorised many difficult English words, I failed to write grammatically correct sentences. I thought to myself deeply, "Maybe I need to make some changes." I started to search for free English lessons on YouTube to improve my English writing skills.

While my academic results were gradually improving, I faced some hesitation. The consequence of this was continuous mental strain and eventually, my unhappiness grew wildly. One day, on an online newsfeed, there was a sentence that awakened my ambition again, "I should not be too easily influenced by people around me. I should learn to enjoy my life with my own rules." The pursuit of academic excellence and the journey of pursuing my dream would no longer be disrupted by others.

It is unquestionable that many Hongkongers' work-life balance often takes a back seat because of their demanding jobs. Recently, I have found a method that can help me to improve this situation. By making a to-do list, I could see what tasks I have to do at a glance that day. When a task has been completed, I can proudly cross out the completed task on my list, leaving a permanent monument to honour my daily accomplishments. Initially, I set an unrealistic goal and failed to accomplish it. Setting realistic goals is important because failing to accomplish them may cause self-doubt.

Motivation is also a crucial part of success. Some of my friends like rap music which is fast-paced music. Their favourite song is so fast that I have to listen to the song very carefully to memorise the lyrics, just hoping that I can sing with them. I also learned a lot of difficult words. Listening to music is an interesting way that can motivate me to improve my listening and speaking skills. Therefore, motivation comes from things that you are interested in.

There is no elevator to success. To achieve success, you need intrinsic motivation.



3B Ma Hop Wing

Success to me means reaching a desired goal. The reason it is so important is that when I have a goal, I can't stand still. I believe success can be measured through external achievements and intrinsic rewards because they signify personal growth as you achieve your goals. When you succeed, you will gain a sense of satisfaction and accomplishment. For me, my definition of success is successfully entering a university. Why is this important? Because I can find a better job and earn more money to support my family.

I think the potential challenge for me is to cope with the DSE. I need to study hard. Resilience and perseverance are very important because if you give up halfway, you will never succeed. If you rely on perseverance, you will eventually succeed. You will become less afraid of failure and instead view it as a stepping stone to success. Maintaining a positive attitude can motivate you to keep moving forward. The advantage of learning from failure is that you can summarise the reasons and experiences of previous failures so that you can become better in your next attempt to succeed.

In your pursuit of success, you also need to balance different aspects of your life, such as your relationships. It is important to maintain good relationships with friends and not solely focus on pursuing goals without connecting with others. Having the support of friends can also serve a source of motivation to keep moving forward. Also, creating a schedule allows you to effectively manage your time while striving for success. You may need to sacrifice some free time on the path to achieving this goal.

The source of motivation for success can come from family, friends, teachers and classmates. When you encounter setbacks, you can turn to your family or friends for support or encouragement. When I succeed, I will celebrate my achievements with my family and friends along the way. This helps me stay motivated and engaged. This is my understanding of and some thoughts on striving to succeed.

3B Lin Ka Lok

Success is a goal that everyone desires to achieve. No matter who we are, we all want to be successful in life. However, success is not easy to achieve. It requires hard work and perseverance.

Firstly, I believe that to pursue success, we need to set clear goals. Clear goals can provide us with direction and motivation. Whether it is test scores or career development, we should set clear goals and work hard to achieve them.

Secondly, hard work and perseverance are the keys to achieving success. We need to have the spirit of perseverance and pursue our goals relentlessly. When faced with challenges and difficulties, we cannot give up easily. Through unremitting efforts, we can achieve our goals and achieve success.

Additionally, success requires learning. We should continue to acquire new knowledge and learn new skills in order to improve our abilities. By continuous learning, we are better able to cope with challenges and prepare ourselves for success.

In short, the pursuit of success requires us to set clear goals and continue to work hard. At the same time, we should also continue to learn and grow to overcome future challenges. Only through such efforts can we realise our dreams and achieve success.



**3B Hung Yui Ying** 

Recently, our school has established a representative slogan, which carries the spirit of our fellow students. It truly demonstrates our passion, which is to strive to succeed.

To many, in order to strive to succeed, we should first set a few reasonable goals. For example, some athletes will set goals for the medals they desire in the Olympics and then train hard. That is a good example to refer to for this "Strive to Succeed" slogan.

Besides, we can choose to encounter difficulties by resolving them using smart methods. We could develop an alternative method to solve problems. For example, if we lack the skills to take care of ourselves, we can join a meaningful human life training camp once a year to enhance our cooperation and collaboration skills. Also, as we are away from our parents in the camp, we would learn to take care of our own needs.

As we get close to our goals, we may consider offering ourselves some encouragement, so as to offer positive reinforcement. For instance, when we study hard for our exams, we may first study hard for one hour, and then take a break for some snacks or play games for fifteen minutes as a way to relax. Research indicates that studying for a very long time can reduce our concentration, so we need to take breaks between revision sessions.

With the above in hand, we can strive to succeed in an organised manner. We should avoid those temptations which could cause obstacles to our goals. Examples include avoiding the use of your phone during study time and cutting back on snacks if you are trying to lose weight. We can then strive to succeed at the end!



**3C Wong Wai Ching** 



Recently, our school has established a representative slogan, which carries the spirit of our fellow students. It truly demonstrates our passion, which is to strive to succeed.

To many, in order to strive to succeed, we should first set a few reasonable goals. Good examples include joining a camp event once a year. Also, we can consider eating only a limited amount of food if we are to lose weight or at least keep fit.

Yet, we all realise that when we make efforts to work towards our goals, we will inevitably encounter obstacles and challenges. For instance, I insist on running three times a week. When I get hurt while running, I feel sad but I find my own way to ease my bad mood.

As we get close to our goals, we may consider offering ourselves some encouragement, so as to offer positive reinforcement. We may give ourselves some rewards appropriately. For example, if I have completed five runs, I will reward myself with something as a gift to motivate myself for further commitment.

With the above in hand, we can strive to succeed in an organised manner. For instance, I warm up each time before running in order to prevent myself from getting hurt. Moreover, we should avoid temptations which could cause obstacles to our goals.

For my running goal, the biggest challenge is mobile phones, indeed. would get so caught up in browsing the web on my phone that I would eventually forget to go for a run. But, I finally persisted and resisted the temptation of mobile phones, in order to maintain my long-term fitness goal by running.



3D Li Tsam Yin



Each person harbours aspirations and desires for personal achievement. For me, success lies in the inner fulfilment of reaching a goal, regardless of its magnitude. What truly matters is the effort we invest in the pursuit of our aspirations.

During my early years, my piano teacher recognized my talent and constantly praised my progress in every lesson. This praise ignited a deep passion for playing the piano within me, fueling my motivation to practise diligently. Within a mere ten months of learning, I surprised everyone by winning a championship in a piano competition. However, this early success led to a dangerous path of overconfidence and arrogance. I began neglecting regular practice, convinced of my innate genius.

A few months later, I participated in another competition, complacent in my supposed talent. I performed a piece without any prior practice, under the assumption that my "genius" status would guarantee success. However, instead of accolades, I received low scores and harsh criticism from the judges. This humbling experience brought me back to reality, revealing that I was no different from anyone else. My ignorance and ego had blinded me to my own shortcomings. The illusion of being a genius was shattered, and I realised that dedication and a touch of luck were the factors that contributed to my previous achievements. There is no such thing as a true genius. Only hard work and commitment can pave the way to success.

Success does not come through shortcuts or quick fixes. The key to achievement lies solely in dedicated effort. As Sunners, we should embrace the spirit of "Strive to Succeed" and continuously exert ourselves to reach our goals. It is through unwavering commitment and perseverance that we can overcome obstacles and accomplish remarkable feats.

In conclusion, true success is not defined by innate talent or luck but by the dedication we invest in our pursuits. By consistently putting in the effort, we can unlock our full potential and achieve greatness.



**4A Chen Sunny** 



The pursuit of success is a spirit deeply ingrained in the Sun Hoi community. To overcome obstacles and achieve remarkable accomplishments, we strive to continuously improve ourselves.

First and foremost, we must actively seek avenues for continuous growth. It is crucial to embrace learning opportunities and consistently expand our knowledge and skills. Adopting a growth mindset is paramount, as it allows us to acknowledge progress as a gradual and ongoing process. Success often comes as a result of persistent efforts over a prolonged period of time.

Furthermore, regular self-reflection is essential for personal development. After tests or exams, it is important to assess our performance objectively. By identifying our weaknesses and strengths, we gain valuable insights for improvement. Learning from our past failures enables us to avoid repeating the same mistakes in the future.

It is important to recognize that no one is perfect, and failures are an integral part of our journey towards success. In the Sun Hoi community, we may encounter frustration and disappointment. However, it is through these challenges that we learn and grow, ultimately shaping us into the future pillars of society. With unwavering determination, each and every one of us can realise our dreams and unlock our full potential. Let us all embrace the spirit of "Strive to Succeed."

In conclusion, the Sun Hoi community is united by a shared commitment to pursuing success. By continuously seeking growth, reflecting on our performance, and embracing challenges, we can overcome obstacles and achieve greatness. Let us stand together, unwavering in our determination to succeed and make a positive impact on the world.



4A Zhou Wing Ka



The pursuit of success is a shared aspiration among many individuals. Success not only nurtures confidence but also fosters personal growth and continuous learning. However, what does it truly take to live a life of flourishing achievement?

First and foremost, setting realistic goals becomes the cornerstone of our journey. Pushing ourselves beyond our limits can lead to unnecessary anxiety and a fear of failure. To maintain unwavering enthusiasm and motivation, it is crucial to create a supportive and comfortable environment while striving towards our dreams. Striking a delicate balance between ambition and feasibility allows us to sustain our drive and effectively execute our plans.

Striving for success is an ongoing voyage that demands time and unwavering perseverance. Therefore, charting a long-term plan becomes indispensable as it prepares us for the inevitable challenges and obstacles that lie ahead. Research suggests that stress and challenges can actually enhance our performance and propel personal growth. By setting small, attainable targets and steadily progressing towards them, we can remain focused and preserve our resolute determination.

Determination stands as the paramount driving force in our pursuit of success. Resilient individuals refuse to succumb easily when faced with adversity. Take the remarkable example of Helen Keller. Despite her blindness, she tenaciously pursued her desire to read and write. Eventually, she triumphed, accomplishing her dream of becoming a writer. Helen Keller not only serves as an enduring source of inspiration but also stands as a testament to the indomitable spirit of humanity.

In conclusion, the keys to striving for success and living a thriving life lie in setting realistic plans, investing diligent effort, and maintaining an unwavering optimistic outlook. By integrating these fundamental principles into our lives, we can unlock our untapped potential, embrace personal growth, and embark on a journey of fulfilment and prosperity.

4A Leung Zhi Zheng



"Strive to Succeed" is a quote always being heard and is being extended by Hong Kong people nowadays due to the relentless and highly competitive nature of this bustling metropolis. Regardless of adults or teenagers, they are all fighting upon the immense pressure. For example, students are facing gruelling exams and studying so hard in order to have a great result in their HKDSE, adults are also working hard for salaries which allow them to advance their living quality in various ways.

Nevertheless, the competitive atmosphere should come to a halt. The action of "striving" is always appreciated and it is worth being appreciated without a doubt. However, it has been extreme gradually, as we have been told that no matter how hard the obstacles are, break them at all cost, but no one told us where and what the destination we should arrive at and the reason for this action. In other words, people are paying extremely hard for something that seems to be a 'success', but it might be not to someone as success.

Basically, success is defined by every individual and the definition is mostly related to our values and priorities in life. Success may mean reaching a certain level of professional achievements. It may also refer to having a fulfilling personal life and so on. Regardless, success is diverse to everyone, it is always associated with a positive, determined mindset of people. Before working hard, get clear on your goals instead.

As a growing teenager, I deeply understand that most teenagers feel uncertain about their future and study hard in order to achieve their goals at the moment, which might be temporary. However, it's not a real goal for some of them. Adolescents are easily influenced by peer pressure or the environment they stay at and the information they receive by online or from their family. That's why they are always having less ideas about their goals apart from being a student of university, as their mindset has been restricted by "the first step of success is getting a degree from university."

Indeed having a university degree provides more choices of jobs for us, but we need to consider our own aspirations as well. Is a degree necessary for our aspiration? If yes, then work hard for it. If not, quit the competition and give yourself relaxation. We should work hard after knowing our goals instead of working hard for something we are uncertain and not willing to achieve.

Lastly, taking care of our mental health is also essential to achieve success. Stop making too high standards for ourselves and drop our boundaries appropriately. Do everything progressively. Give some me-time and personal space to ourselves, taking a break is for being ready for a longer journey later on. Also, remember that we just have to try our best and might not excel in studies but that is okay.

I hope you can think about "success" more deeply after reading this article and achieve your own success in the near future.



4A Chow Shing Hon



Many teens have problems with reaching their goals. Here are some suggestions to help teenagers to achieve their goal.

First, let's think about what success is. Success can be defined in many ways, personal growth, sense of fulfilment, gain in something and others. To me, I think when you do something, having a gain in something that you think is worth it is a success because when doing things you have a goal in mind. I think as long as the result is good enough for me, that is a success.

To succeed, you need to have a goal. Do consider if the goal is achievable and do not set an unrealistic goal. You should think deeply of the things you can achieve or you would only fail as it is incomplete. Take my goal as an example. I set my goal as getting into university because it can help me have a better future. The goal is realistic and achievable as there are lots of competitors and many challenges. I will keep working to achieve it. We have to learn

how to overcome obstacles and setbacks. When you come to an obstacle, never panic and be calm. Think of a plan to overcome it and never give up. If I want to succeed in achieving my goal, I can plan a timetable to do revision to improve my grades.

I hope that my suggestions could help you succeed in your goals. Wish you luck!



**4A Lui Chin Lok** 

NEVER GIVE UP Success is something we all want, but it needs hard work, determination and a strong desire to achieve it. When we strive for success, we work to achieve our goals, overcome challenges and never give up.

Striving for success means setting clear goals and working hard to achieve them. You should stay focused and motivated even when it is hard to achieve. By setting specific and achievable goals, it gives us the direction of success. However, the path to success is not easy.

We may face obstacles and setbacks. But instead of giving up, we can see the challenges as an opportunity to grow. We should learn from the mistakes, change our strategies and keep moving forward.

Striving for success also requires having a positive attitude and growth mindset. Believe in yourself and not letting failures discourage us. We should seek feedback and learning from failures. It helps us bounce back from setbacks, stay motivated and stay focused on our goals. It allows us to learn from our experience and become stronger.

It is also important to balance different aspects of life. For example, academic, personal relationships and hobbies are all paramount for a healthy self. Making a timetable is an effective way to help us achieve succeed. Academic study and hobbies are both important for us so we should strike a balance between them.

Finally, after attaining your goals, you can celebrate to keep yourself motivated and engaged. It helps you overcome more challenges and keep moving towards success.

To conclude, striving for success is about setting goals, working hard, staying focused and not giving up. We should also set clear goals, face challenges with determination and learn from our mistakes. With such an attitude, we can overcome any obstacles along the way and realise our dreams. So, let's keep striving for success and realise our goals.



4A Ngai Tsz Kiu Athan



## SUNNERS' INTER-CLASS EffSTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

As part of our school's vibrant English Week celebrations, our school hosted the exhilarating Sunners' Easter Inter-class EGGstravaganza - a campus-wide hunt that had students buzzing with excitement.

Donning their most creative Easter outfits and accessories, both English and non-English teachers, together with our enthusiastic Principal, formed the "EGGstravagant Educators Team," ready to guide our eager students on their quest. Students dashed from corners to corners of the campus, solving riddles not only to locate hidden eggs, but also to track down the teachers holding the final clues. Their mission didn't end there, as students then had to decipher the real puzzles written on the eggs and hidden within the eggs in the teachers' pockets.

Laughter and excitement filled the air as participants collaborated, putting their English skills to the test to conquer the quest. This EGGstraordinary event was a delightful blend of linguistic challenges, physical engagement, and Easter-themed fun, leaving all involved with lasting memories to cherish for years to come.



Talents (4A) Tim's Team (5A)



Success is a goal that resonates with individuals across cultures and societies. It is the pursuit of achieving one's aspirations, realising dreams, and finding fulfilment in life. While success may be defined differently by each person, one common thread unites them all. They need to strive towards their desired outcomes. The path to success is not always smooth, but it is through the journey of personal growth and determination that true success is achieved.

Setting clear and meaningful goals is an essential first step towards success. Goals provide direction and purpose, fueling the motivation needed to overcome obstacles and push the limitations. Whatever it is in academics, career, relationships or personal developments, goals provide a roadmap for progress and serve as a constant reminder of what we strive for. They can help us focus and make the most of our abilities.

Achieving success is rarely a linear process. It involves facing challenges and setbacks along the way. However, it is in this moment of adversity that we have the opportunity to grow the most. Embracing challenges and viewing them as opportunities for learning and improvement can transform setbacks into stepping stones towards success. Each failure becomes an available lesson, teaching us resilience, adaptability, and the importance of perseverance often requires a significant amount of determination and grit.

Success is the unwavering commitment to our goals, even in the face of adversity, that propels us forward. The road to success may be filled with obstacles, setbacks and moments of selfdoubt, but it is through perseverance and resilience that we overcome these challenges. By cultivating a strong work ethic, maintaining focus and staying true to our vision, we can overcome any hurdles that stand in our way.

As we strive towards success, it is crucial to celebrate the small victories along the way. Recognizing and acknowledging our progress not only boosts our motivation, but also reinforces the belief in our abilities to achieve bigger goals. However, it is important not to lose sight of the bigger picture. By staying focused on our long-term vision and continuously reassessing our goals, we can maintain momentum and ensure that each step we take aligns with our overall aspiration.

Striving to succeed is a lifelong journey that encompasses personal growth, learning, determination, and resilience. It is a path that requires us to set meaningful goals, embrace challenges, and continuously improve ourselves. Success is not guaranteed, but by investing in our goals and remaining steadfast in our pursuit, we increase our chances of achieving the outcomes we desire. So, let us embrace the journey, navigate the ups and down, and always strive to become the best version of ourselves. In doing so, we unlock the true potential for success and fulfilment in our lives. 4A Tang Cheuk Lam





Success is a universal aspiration in life. Whether it's winning a sports championship or reaping rewards in a chess competition, achieving success requires hard work, dedication, and unwavering determination. To me, "Strive to Succeed" extends beyond a mere slogan. It embodies the pursuit of our dreams and the resilience needed to conquer obstacles along the way.

The first crucial step towards success is setting a clear and well-defined goal. Without a clear objective, motivation can wane, making it difficult to stay focused and driven. Setting specific goals provides direction and purpose, acting as a compass throughout the journey towards success.

Once goals are established, it becomes essential to consistently invest effort and work diligently towards those objectives. This necessitates creating a comprehensive blueprint that outlines the necessary steps to gradually move closer to success. For instance, employing a todo list can help prioritise daily tasks and effectively allocate time. By mastering effective time management, individuals can optimise their productivity and make significant strides towards realising their goals.

However, the path to success is inevitably strewn with difficulties. Many people succumb to challenges and relinquish their pursuit. It is vital for us to recognize the importance of perseverance and unlock our untapped potential. Just as the sky knows no limits, our potential for growth and accomplishment is boundless.

Throughout history, numerous individuals have exemplified the significance of perseverance and determination in the face of adversity. Helen Keller, despite being both blind and deaf, transformed from an innocent young girl into a formidable woman revered worldwide. Her dream was to become a writer, and despite her disabilities, she refused to surrender or retreat into darkness. Instead, she tirelessly learned Braille and explored the world through touch with the guidance of her teacher. Ultimately, she became a renowned writer, leaving an indelible mark on the world.

It is my sincere hope that each person will discover their own dreams and experience the joy that comes from unwavering dedication. Embrace the principle of "Strive to Succeed" as a constant reminder to persevere, even when faced with challenges. With unwavering determination and an unyielding spirit, one can surmount obstacles and achieve greatness. The happiness derived from pursuing dreams and realising personal goals is immeasurable, and it awaits those who dare to strive.



4B Chan Wing Kin

Many individuals aspire to achieve success in their lives. Success not only builds confidence but also fuels personal growth and learning. However, how can we truly live a thriving life?

First and foremost, it is crucial to set realistic goals. Pushing ourselves excessively can lead to anxiety and fear of failure. To maintain enthusiasm and motivation, we must create a comfortable environment while working towards our dreams. By striking a balance between ambition and feasibility, we can sustain our drive and effectively implement our plans.

Striving for success is a continuous journey that requires time and perseverance. Therefore, a long-term plan becomes indispensable, preparing us for the challenges and obstacles along the way. Research indicates that stress and challenges can actually enhance our performance and growth. By setting small, attainable targets and steadily progressing towards them, we can remain focused and maintain our unwavering determination.

Determination holds paramount importance in the pursuit of success. Resilient individuals do not easily give up when faced with adversity. Take Helen Keller as an example. Despite being

blind, she resolutely pursued her desire to read and write. Eventually, she achieved her dream of becoming a writer. Helen Keller serves not only as a source of inspiration but also as a testament to the indomitable spirit of humanity.

In conclusion, setting realistic plans, putting in hard work, and maintaining an optimistic outlook are the keys to striving for success. By integrating these principles into our lives, we can unlock our potential and lead a thriving existence.



4B Lam Hok Him

In this world, success and failure are two sides of the same coin. Most individuals encounter failures on their journey towards success. For me, achieving success is a formidable task, as many people find themselves trapped in a vicious cycle. Successful individuals, however, hold great value.

In fact, examples of this can be found in daily life. Consider someone who joins a sports team with the goal of winning gold medals or simply enjoying the competition. The opponents they face become formidable challenges. Yet, they persistently train day after day. Although they encounter various obstacles along the way, their perseverance keeps them on track. Persistence, therefore, becomes a vital factor in achieving success.

Take, for instance, the story of Edison and his invention of the first practical light bulb. Before his breakthrough, he conducted countless experiments, tirelessly working day after day. Despite the challenges and setbacks he faced, he never abandoned his pursuit. Ultimately, his unwavering dedication led to his

success in inventing the light bulb.

While success may indeed be challenging, it does not imply that we can never achieve it. With persistence as our guiding force, we can unlock the key to success. May you soon realise your dreams and aspirations!



4B Tsang Chi Yuen

To succeed is something that many of us aspire to achieve in our lives. Whether it's excelling in our careers, pursuing our passions, or accomplishing personal goals, the desire to succeed is deeply ingrained within us. However, success is not handed to us on a silver platter, it requires dedication, perseverance and a relentless drive to strive for greatness.

To strive to succeed means to relentlessly pursue our goals, even in the face of challenges and setbacks. It is about pushing ourselves beyond our limits, constantly seeking improvement, and refusing to settle for mediocrity. It is the unwavering commitment to our dream, coupled with the willingness to put in the necessary effort and hard work.

One of the key ingredients in the recipe for success in setting dear and achievable goals. By defining what we want to accomplish, we can create a roadmap that guides us towards our desired destination. Goal setting provides us with direction, allowing us to channel our energy and resources effectively.

However, striving for success is not without its challenges. Along the journey, we may encounter obstacles, experience failures, and face self-doubts, it is during these moments that our true character is tested. Will we succumb to adversity, or will we rise above it? Successful individuals understand that setbacks are not roadblocks but rather opportunities for growth. They view failures, stay motivated in the face of adversity and keep pushing forward

In conclusion, striving to succeed is not a one-time effort but a continuous journey. It requires an unwavering dedication, resilience and a growth mindset. It demands that we set clear goals, embrace failures as opportunities and cultivate a supportive network. So, let us embrace the spirit of striving to succeed and may our relentless pursuit of greatness lead us to achieve our dream and aspiration.

towards our goals.

4B Lau Hoi Lam



Success is a blurry word, as it can be external achievement of desired goals or prepare for life's growth. As we're all growing, we need to be physically and mentally prepared for what life's going to throw at us. With that being said, I will provide several realistic and achievable goals that explain the concept of a positive mindset.

Habits are the building block of our life and motivation is just a spark for you to get things done. Discipline is the key to success. Try overcoming obstacles and setbacks by taking a step out of your comfort zone each day. For example, you can start small by sleeping early and try to avoid the snooze option when you're waking up. Then, you can do exercises and slowly increase the volume or intensity, a healthy body leads to a healthy mind! Running, hiking and callisthenics are all viable exercises as they're easy to perform. Feel free to rest when you're all stressed out, but don't take it overboard.

I also set goals for myself. It's simple and effective to do so. Try to be five percent better than me last week. It reminds me of what I expect for myself, and I will get off that cosy, warm bed if I want that five percent. Success is a mastermind of creating fear and doubt in your head, it causes setback after setback. The question is, will you still sprint when the distance is unknown? The only thing this is guaranteed in life if you don't chase and pursue success is losing. You'll be amazed by this, but it's harder to look back on a life full of excuses and regret for not making the right choices! And so on, this is where a positive mindset becomes crucial. I would talk to myself. A lot of times, we will just talk to others but we never really talk to ourselves though. Many times when I face difficulties, I start to ask, "Why am I here?" I quickly respond, "The fruit of everything good in life begins with challenges." It is not surprising that success is not going to fall in our lap. It is always going to be difficult! That is why I learn how to embrace hardship in order to have a positive future vision. No matter how bad my current circumstances, I shall lace up my boots rather than kicking them off.

Success to me is that I stay true to myself and the fulfilment of looking back on my life full of discipline and completed goals, knowing that you've made the correct decision. Watching and listening to uplifting videos, shows or podcasts is also a very good way to start a journey to success.

To conclude, we cannot stay at a snail's pace in a world that is racing by. There is no such thing as tomorrow. It is now or never. You won't always be motivated. Learn to do the things that you have promised yourself to do even when you do not feel like it. Other than that, your planned goals and commitment needs to speak louder than your excuses. Dedication and discipline is the path to success.



4B Wong Chun Hin



Wars have been more frequent lately, and many people die from starvation. My present aspiration is to solve world hunger and achieve world peace. I had this thought when I was young. I used to wonder why children in undeveloped countries were starved and weak. Now I understand the cause of world hunger. Audrey Hepburn, an actress during World War II, helped many injured people during the war and was a doctor's assistant. Also, Princess Diana of Wales spread love and kindness to underprivileged children and orphans. These two women inspire me the most. Not only were they females, but they also proved the patriarchy during their lifetime wrong about the true worth of women.

I am currently striving to succeed in academic studies to improve the future generation. The requirements are none. But it costs nothing to be kind. While I may not have a specific plan, I have faith in myself. Everyone should believe in themselves before they doubt themselves.

One of the many obstacles we will undoubtedly encounter is judgement from others. Lady Diana, too, was judged by the media for physically touching an AIDs patient, but this didn't bother Diana. Yet, she went out of her way to help more people in need. On the other hand, Audrey Hepburn sheltered

hundreds of Jews during the ethnic cleansing. Both longed for similar things and are admired for this reason. Many people look up to them.

One day, I hope to see change occur and world peace. Everyone should be a part of this and make changes for the better. I would finally find peace if my dream came true one day.



4C Khawaja Muniba Ul Anisa



What is 'success'? 'Succeed' means to achieve a desired outcome or to accomplish a goal. It refers to being successful in a particular endeavour or task. Success can be measured in various ways depending on the context, such as achieving financial prosperity, reaching personal milestones, or attaining professional recognition. Success often involves overcoming challenges, persevering through difficulties and demonstrating competence or excellence in a special area. Success is subjective and can vary from person to person based on their individual goals and aspirations.

Everyone has a dream, including me. As a student, my dream is to excel academically and pave the way for my successful future. The thought of striving for success and achieving my goals first occurred to me during my early years of schooling. Witnessing the achievements of my role models, such as successful professionals and accomplished individuals, has inspired me to believe that with dedication and hard work, and I too could strive for excellence.

Currently, I am taking proactive steps to achieve my dream as a student. I am fully committed to my studies, dedicating ample time to understanding the subjects, completing assignments, and participating in class discussions. I actively seek opportunities to enhance my knowledge and skills by attending seminars, workshops and extracurricular activities. I have also developed a study plan and set specific goals to ensure that I am consistently progressing towards my academic aspirations. I believe that discipline, time management, and a growth mindset are crucial requirements for academic success.

Along my educational journey, I anticipate encountering obstacles that may challenge my progress. Some obstacles that I might encounter include time management difficulties, academic pressure, and the occasional sense of self-doubt. However, I am determined to overcome these challenges. I have implemented effective time management strategies, such as creating schedules and prioritising tasks, to ensure that I can balance my academic responsibilities with other aspects of my life. Additionally, I seek support from teachers, mentors, and peers who can provide guidance and encouragement during challenging times. I believe that perseverance, resilience and seeking help when needed are key to overcoming obstacles.

My motivation to work towards my academic goals stems from my desire to acquire knowledge, develop valuable skills, and create a promising future for myself. If my dream of academic success comes true, I will use the knowledge and skills I have gained to contribute to society and make a positive impact. I aspire to pursue higher education or enter a profession where I can utilise my abilities to address societal challenges and help others. Additionally, I am motivated to inspire and support fellow students by sharing my experiences and knowledge, fostering a culture of growth and achievement. Ultimately, I am committed to continuously learning, growing and striving for success as a student.



4C So Yuen Ying

Everyone must have his dream, and my dream is to be a football player. I have had this dream since I was a child because I like watching the movie Captain Tsubasa.

Being a football player is really hard. Therefore, many children like playing football but they don't want it to be a career. The reason is your physical fitness must be very good. Therefore, for me, I would go to the sports field to run every day. It's really hard to handle but this is my dream. Apart from physical fitness, skills are the most important thing. If you play badly, no clubs would invite you to play. I have already joined a youth club to train my football skills and physical fitness too.

Also, being a football player is not in the long run. Most football players only have about 15 to 20 years in their career. It is very short and you would not have income if you don't have any matches. Therefore, I decided to be a coach after I retired. Then, I can have income and nourish the children to play football.

I know you would say it is only a dream, and you would ask me not to be serious, including my parents. However, once in a lifetime, no matter what, I will chase my dream for real.

Just like the above, my parents don't support me to be a football player actually, since they think that it can't earn money unless you are pretty good. These words don't stop me from achieving my dream because I think money is only superficial. It is just for three meals and I am not satisfied with it. Even though they are my parents, I ignore these words. I know that if I don't try to achieve my dream, I will only regret it. I may not succeed, so I would as well put my studies as an equally top priority.

If I really can be a footballer one day, I must train every day and I will set a higher aim to achieve. I may as well desire to become the top player in Hong Kong even play in other countries. Also, I will teach children to play football when I retire. It is because nourishing children is my goal too.

It is my dream and I would not give up since we can only live once. I hope everyone can achieve his dream too.



4D Leung Tang Tik



What do you think success means? Is it being rich? It is about getting all the passes in exams and getting into a university? For me, achieving success means I can achieve my goals set. It is important to be successful because it helps in my life every time.

It is hard to be successful but I will set realistic and achievable goals by having physical training and doing exercise every day. I will also review my knowledge acquired during the day. It is important to me because it can keep me working and let me get better. There are some steps for me to achieve my specific goal. First, you must have a persistent heart to achieve success and don't give up. Second, you need to overcome laziness.

If I accomplish what I set out, I have a sense of accomplishment and see myself improving every day. I will be full of energy.

Moreover, it is of great significance to be positive all the time. A positive mindset can help me achieve success. In the past, I felt defeated when I could not achieve my goals. I felt depressed and pressured. But holding my positive mindset and encouraging myself, I often reached my goal. So, having a positive mindset is important and it would motivate you. In short, I will set more goals and achieve them in order to succeed!



4D Suen Ming Chak



What do you think success means? As a student, I think that success means achieving high levels in the HKDSE and getting into a favourite university. It is important to be successful because it can help you get an ideal job and an ideal salary.

I set realistic and achievable goals by reviewing my academic results and discussing them with parents and teachers. It is very helpful for me because my parents and teachers have overcome many difficulties. Besides, I set a specific goal to be successful. It is important to me because it can encourage me. There are some steps for me to achieve my specific goal. The first step is to be persistent. The second step is to reach the goal bit by bit. However, there are also potential challenges for me.

I have faced a big challenge in my life. Five years ago, there was an exam that I could never pass. So I tried hard to study and persist to review every day. So I got an ideal academic result. I expect there will be other challenges in my life in the future as well. But I will be able to overcome them. The strategies I adopt are that I will set a timetable and then follow it strictly. That can help me overcome the challenges.

Moreover, it is of great significance to be positive all the time. A positive mindset can help me achieve success. In the past, when I failed any test, I stayed positive and so I could get high marks in the exams. Even when I failed a subject, I will do a review on my academic results and find ways to fix it. That always works for me.

It is also a must to balance different aspects of life. We have to balance our studies, hobbies and relaxing time. So, time management is essential for me to be successful. For example, I should study all day and I will also have spare time to relax.

My sources of motivation include delighting my parents, friends and teachers. When I am distracted by my phone, I will turn off my phone and this is one of the commonest strategies I adopt. I will celebrate my achievements with my friends all the time as they are happy for me too!

In short, I will stay positive, focus and work hard in order to strive to succeed.



4D Wong Tsz Wik



What do you think success means? I think it means doing what you want. If you are a student, you will think passing all exams is successful. However, you may want to have a good job if you are an adult. It is important to be successful because that can increase self-confidence. In my life, I have gotten high marks in external competitions and have gotten first place in my school.

I set realistic and achievable goals by reviewing my academic results and discussing them with my parents and teachers. It is very helpful for me because my parents and teachers are older and they have more experience about secondary schools. Besides, I set a specific goal to get a pass in my Mathematics exam. It is important to me because not only did it improve my performance academically, but also gave me the motivation to continue working hard. There are some steps for me to achieve my specific goal. The first step is to be persistent and the second step is to do things step by step. However, there are also potential challenges for me. I may face temptations or may be lazy.

I faced a big challenge in my life. Two years ago, when I was preparing for my English exam, my mum let me do the exercises, but they were very difficult. True, I expect that there will be other challenges in my life in the future as well. But I will be able to overcome them. The strategy I adopt is that I will do more exercises on the weekends. That can help me overcome the challenges.

Moreover, it is of significance to be positive all the time. A positive mindset can help me achieve success. In the past, when I fell into a slump, I tried to stay positive and so I had motivation again.

Even when I fail a subject, I will be more hardworking next time. That always works for me! It is also a must to balance different aspects of life. We have to balance our studies, hobbies and relaxing time so time management is essential for me to be successful. For example, I should focus on learning but I will also spare

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4D Wong Wing Sze

In short, I will stay positive and set a timetable in order to strive to succeed!



Most people have a goal to pursue. They firmly believe that after they achieve their goals, they will succeed. In Hong Kong, most parents want their children to succeed, so they want their children to study in prestigious schools. City dwellers want to have high-paying jobs and comfortable lives. Some even aim at achieving fame and fortune. However, they are wrong.

Most people think success is about having fame and fortune, getting people's applause and envy. These ideas are shallow and simply vanity. To me, the meaning of success is that you dedicate all your efforts to working very hard and in turn attaining your goals as rewards. After you get the desired results, the feeling of happiness and fulfilment is what 'success' means. In the process of trying, you spend a lot of time preparing and doing your best. After you succeed, you will feel satisfied. However, if your definition of success is gaining money or fame, you will just have temporary pleasure. You will feel empty after a period of time. It is because you cannot earn all the money and the game of pursuing wealth is endless. Wealth may satisfy your material wants, but it cannot satisfy your mental needs.

Success is measured by internal rewards such as personal growth and a sense of fulfilment. When you spend a lot of time doing one thing, even though the result may be less than ideal, you must be able to learn something during the process. You may grow to be more mature and your scope of knowledge may be enlarged. You end up being a more sophisticated individual. When your ability is enhanced, the probability of attaining your goal will be higher. Therefore, personal growth is a part of success. A sense of fulfilment will give you more motivation to face your problems and strive to succeed.

Everyone wants to succeed, but they need to first ask themselves whether their goals can really bring them long-lasting happiness and real fulfilment. Otherwise, after spending years working very hard towards the 'goals', they may just get a feeling of emptiness and regret.

5A Leung So Ying



Becoming a professional football player is my dream.

My favourite football player is Luka Modric. He is a midfielder and the captain of the Croatia National Football Team. When he was a child, he always had to escape from wars. Therefore, he could not live in a place for a long time. However, he always brought along his football and kicked it anywhere. As he kept working hard, he became the greatest Croatian footballer ever, and he also won the Ballon d'Or in 2018, the highest honour of a footballer.

Every football player worked hard since they were children. No one can be successful without diligence and perseverance. Therefore, to achieve my dream, I have planned my training routine. I will practise different football skills ranging from passing and dribbling to shooting. Every morning, I will go running with a football so that my physical fitness will become better. Although the process of training will be very hard, I know if I can handle it. I must be able to enhance my football techniques by a lot.

Hong Kong students have a lot of homework and quizzes. They need to spend a lot of time handling their studies, including me. Therefore, it will be very challenging for me to practise football every day. To solve the problem, I will do my homework and revise my books for quizzes during school recess or after school as soon as possible. After finishing homework and revision, I can practise football with a smile.

Becoming successful is not easy. All of us need to work hard to achieve our dreams. We should never say achieving our dreams is impossible. Others can do it, so can you.

5A Chow Pak To



To me, success means reaching a certain level of financial stability or professional achievement. People need to work hard if they want to succeed. Success is very important to everyone But, how can we strive to succeed?

First, we can set goals for ourselves. There is a direction for you to devote your effort after you set the goals. You can follow the way and do the right things that lead you to succeed more easily. If people do not have any life goals, they do not know what they should do and they will never get success. Setting goals is important to every one of us.

Overcoming obstacles and setbacks is the next step. Take Messi as an example. Messi is one of the most successful football players now. However, his life was not all plain sailing. When he was young, he was very short. His doctor always told him not to play football but he rejected his advice. He kept receiving therapy and practised hard. As a result, he became a professional football player. He even succeeded in becoming the most famous football player in the world.

Finally, people need to develop a positive mindset. Having a positive attitude can help people get more motivated to achieve their goals and combat negative feelings such as self-doubt, frustrations and anxiety.

In conclusion, we need to set goals for ourselves, overcome obstacles and setbacks as well as have a positive attitude. If we abide by these three rules, we must be able to make great achievements. Let's strive to succeed now!

5A Tang Man Chun

When people achieve something, they must have overcome many different difficulties. To athletes, their aims are to win medals in big competitions and be the top players in the world.

One of the most famous football players in Asia in this century, Son Heung-min, has an encouraging career. As we know, most of our current football stars and legends in this era origin from Europe and South America. The ongoing famous leagues are all in Europe. As an Asian, it is hard to be successful due to the innate physical disadvantage. However, Son did not lose hope. He trained very hard and made outstanding performances in different matches.

Son joined a German football club, Hamburger Sport-Verein, in Bundesliga when he was 16. Although he scored an important goal against Chelsea to help his team to win, the team did not renew a contract with him. He did not have self-doubt. Instead, he had a dynamic performance in the Under-17 World Cup. Soon he got noticed by different teams in Europe. He also became the youngest Korean player to score a hat trick in the Europa Cup.

In 2015, he joined the Tottenham Hotspur Football Club in the Premier League. He trained harder and harder. He became the Asian player with the most goals in UEFA Champions League history and became the first Asian player who scored 100 goals in the Premier League. In the 2021-22 season, he also got the Premier League Golden Boot.

As we could see on the screen, he had trained for a long time for every skill behind the scenes. Training is the most important factor to his success. Don't give up when you feel frustrated. Hold on to your dream and you will also succeed one day.

5A Yeung Wing Yat



Dan, Timmy and George won the singing contest. They formed a boy band called Area and became famous and successful. You could see their advertisements everywhere. They attracted a multitude of sponsorships ranging from health products and restaurants to even women's products. They became the talk of the town!

They dazzled thousands of girls because of their handsome look, unique style of their songs and their charm. All of the products they endorsed must be sold out, even toothpaste. They just held a concert last month, and all their performances were full of audience. Scalpers of concert tickets sold them at a price up to \$10 000, but still they were all sold out instantly. It was definitely a huge success for a budding boy band.

However, their contract was ready to be over. Although all the fans hoped that they could renew their contract, they still kept arguing with the problem of salary and commission. The paparazzi kept following their daily life and trying to find out whether Area would be disbanded. Due to the rumours, George was suffering from depression as he could not tolerate the paparazzi and stalkers. He had been absent from all the activities these few weeks. Until yesterday, some breaking news broke out.

That night, a post entitled 'The Dark Side of AREA' was posted on an online news channel. The paparazzo found out that Dan and Timmy bullied George because he didn't sign the new contract. Their behaviour was chilling. They deliberately tore their clothes before the event started. Also, they asked some people to follow him. Another crazy thing was that a scandal about Dan broke out. Someone saw him take drugs in the club with some girls. After that, the paparazzi took a photo where Dan went to the hotel with a girl. This photo went viral the whole night. All the companies that had cooperation with them sent out disclaimer and took off all the advertisements immediately. Suddenly, they lost everything in one night.

In the morning, Area held a press conference to tell the truth. Dan was the first one to speak. 'I have never taken drugs although I did go to the hotel with a girl'. Then he and Timmy confessed that he didn't treat George well before.

Dan said, 'Sorry to all of our fans and everyone affected by this news. I know we have broken all of your hearts into thousands of pieces. But we really devote ourselves to making music. I hope everyone can give us one more chance.' After this video had been posted on social media, tons of people commented on their Instagram account. Some of them commented with dirty words. On the contrary, George got a lot of supporting comments. Everyone hoped that he could continue his journey in making music. Dan, Timmy and George no longer showed up as the band Area. The glory of this boy band gradually faded away.



5A Wan Tsz Kiu



Have you ever thought about what "success" is and what leads to success? Does success mean passing the exam, getting into college or finding a well-paid job? In my view, success is the relentless pursuit of excellence, growth, and accomplishment in various facets of life. However, how can we strive to success? I think the key is determination, courage and ability to embrace changes.

The fact is that the meaning of success varies from one person to another. It must not be just about performing well in tests, getting a place in the university or working in a well-known company. Success takes on a more comprehensive view which consists of constant pursuit of excellence, development as well as achievement.

First of all, the fastest way to succeed is to stay focused on one thing by repeating it and delving deeply into it. When you specialise in a specific area, it sets you apart and positions you as a leading expert in that field. This attracts opportunities to work with others, form partnerships, and maybe even mentor others. By concentrating on a niche, you can expand your influence and make a larger impact. Everyone can be a leader in a small field. You can wander between realms.

Courage also counts a lot towards achieving success. Here is a famous quote, "He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life." One has to be ready to face uncertainty, take risks and venture into the unknown in order to grow individually and achieve set goals. This means that it takes bravery and being open-minded even when you are about to fail. When individuals accept the unknown, they are more likely to enjoy new opportunities and experiences which could enable them to flourish.

On the other hand, it's equally important to know when to stop trying or let go. Overcoming is good but there are times when realising a critical moment has reached, a change in direction or dropping some unachievable objectives is truly vital. This does not mean, however, failure and defeat. Instead, it means the necessity of a re-assessment and refocusing of efforts towards more productive paths. Just like what Winston Churchill said, 'Success is not final. Failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts.' Occasionally letting go of what no longer serves us well opens up new opportunities for growth and frees us to concentrate on areas where we can be successful rather than just remaining busy but futile.

Success is not only confined to one part of our life. This goes beyond what has been achieved academically or professionally and includes personal growth, relationships, health as well as the general well-being of an individual. If one seeks a balanced approach towards being successful in every sphere of life, then they will find

fulfilment and satisfaction from various aspects of their lives.

Above all else, triumph should be considered as a journey rather than an end point. It involves continuous progressions such as growing, learning, and self-development procedures throughout the lifetime.

5A Yeung Tsz Yan

Timmy had had a dream hidden in his heart since he was young. He always wanted to become an outstanding celebrity because he thought being successful and famous could bring him reputation and happiness. But he knew it was very difficult and there would be lots of obstacles. His dream would then be shattered.

One day, Timmy and his friends Dan and George were playing board games in his home. Suddenly, the building started shaking and trembling, and it became increasingly violent. Things inside the house began to fall, making loud crushing and shattering sounds. It was EARTHQUAKE. After a while, the shaking finally stopped and they slowly opened their eyes. At that moment, the room was in complete disarray. They were startled by this sudden earthquake and remained incredibly scared. They quickly left the house, fearing that another earthquake might occur.

As they walked on the street, they heard an agonising cry in the distance that caught Timmy's attention. He said, "let's go to see what happened!". They quickly followed the direction of the sound and discovered a collapsed home amidst the debris. A girl covered in dust stood there, holding a doll in her hand, and continuously calling out, 'Mom... Mom..." Timmy felt a deep sense of compassion and knew that the girl's mother was likely trapped inside.

The pitiful cry of the little girl deeply moved Timmy, so he headed towards the heap of rubble. At that moment, George grabbed hold of him, preventing him from moving forward, and said, 'It's too dangerous! You're not a professional, and you don't know when there might be a second collapse or another earthquake.' But he didn't hesitate, disregarding George's obstruction. He rushed into the heap of rubbles of the collapsed home.

After that, Timmy went to the girl and comforted her, saying, 'Don't be afraid! I'll do everything possible to save your mum.' He turned back to look at George and Dan and shouted, 'I know it's really dangerous but is it right to just stand by and let her die?'

Before he finished speaking, there was another collapse due to the second earthquake. This time, Timmy was also buried inside. George and Dan were really frightened but they couldn't offer any assistance. They could just only shout, 'Timmy... Timmy, are you okay?' After a while, sounds came out from the debris. Suddenly, a piece of debris was pushed out, and Timmy climbed out. George and Dan heaved a sigh of relief. Timmy carefully carried the weak woman from the debris. Everyone applauded his bravery, and news outlets reported his heroic behaviour. This time, he truly became famous and successful.

However, Timmy soon realised that being famous and successful was not as great as he had imagined. While receiving praises from others on the street, his behaviours and words were also closely scrutinised by the public, which made him stressed. Being successful and famous was not as easy as it seemed.

5A Yu Hei Lan Celine

'We won the contest! Oh, my God! We've succeeded!' Dan yelled. Dan, Timmy and George had formed a boy band called Barrier. They became famous and successful overnight because of the singing contest. Because of their outstanding music style, their debut album got the top selling award in 2023. Their songs caused massive sensation to their fans. Their style also took hold of the current fashion.

One month after they had become successful, it was discovered that they had copied a Japanese song for their singing contest. They started arguing about who should shoulder all the responsibilities. Timmy just shouted, 'Look at this mess, Dan!'

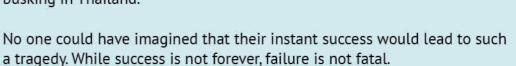
Dan said, 'The songs are written by George! That's not my problem!'

George thumped on the table and said, 'It has already been discovered. I don't want to be involved in this either!'

Dan flew into rage and immediately grabbed George's collar, saying, 'It is your fault! You should shoulder all of that!' George ran away immediately.

Timmy and Dan felt anxious about that. Lots of negative and nasty comments filled in their official social media. It became the top trend on the Internet as they drew public attention. George had disappeared since the argument last time. Timmy and Dan were struggling about how to apologise to their fans and audience.

When they were struggling with this, some unexpected news suddenly came. George was arrested by the police for punching a man who confronted him. Dan and Timmy saw this news on TV while having lunch together. After George was arrested, the band announced their disbandment. George was arrested again for illegally selling drugs and was sentenced to three and a half years in jail. Dan and Timmy ended up busking in Thailand.





5A Lui Ho Ting



Recently, our school has established a representative slogan, which carries the spirit of our fellow students. It truly demonstrates our passion, which is to strive to succeed.

To many, in order to strive to succeed, we should set a few reasonable and reachable goals. Having an adequate number of sleep hours, of at least eight hours, would ensure our quality of sleep. Also, on the academic side, our fellow students could set up a personal timetable. We shall make sure we have enough time to learn, to play, and to live in a balanced manner. We humans should allocate around thirty minutes each day to exercise and, at the same time, acquire some meaningful new skills.

Yet, we all realise that when we make an effort to work towards our goals, we will inevitably encounter obstacles from various angles. Our time may be restricted by the timetable we develop for ourselves, indeed. There could even be undue influence from our peers, at times. Inevitably, this affects our amount of sleep and resources for other activities which allow us to pursue our ultimate goals.

Nevertheless, we can choose to encounter difficulties with a positive mindset. For example, we can participate in a staycation, so as to learn new skills and meet new friends. This is a short-term goal to open our eyes to new insights. We will then improve our confidence, acquire new skills including cooperation skills, leadership skills, and even survival skills in the middle of nowhere. With regard to our long-term personal development, we can improve our creativity and communication with our society.

With the above in hand, we can manage our time, build new skills, and extend our arms further towards our ultimate goals. This very slogan of our school definitely demonstrates how we can work hard towards our target and strive to succeed in an organised manner.



5A Mok Yui Him



### ENGLISH ASSEMBLIES



Our students are always excited for the weekly English assemblies held every Tuesday to see what Ms. Cindy, our NET, has prepared with the English ambassadors.

Instead of solely conveying messages to students, Ms. Cindy would design interactive activities to engage all the students and staff members. Individual students, for example, might be randomly selected or nominated by their teachers to get on the stage to speak English in front of the whole school. Some classes might even get invited to read something or sing a few lines of a song.

Another highlight of the assemblies is the participation of both English and non-English teachers. Every week, a teacher is invited to join the sharing with two other students. Sometimes, the teacher might even have a chance to showcase singing talents on the stage! This aspect of the assembly is particularly intriguing since it could be rare for students to have a chance to listen to a non-English teacher they know so well speaking fluent English or even singing English songs.





It has been 730 days (aka 2 years) since the boy band became successful and popular. Dan was having a nice cup of coffee. He listened to the soft music playing from the next room as he tasted the bitterness of the drink. He sighed and looked out of the window. The rain pouring outside seemed to worsen his mood. You can see the window reflecting his obvious frown.

'Hey, big man! Guess what?' There came his band mates, Timmy and George. Feeling a light pat on his shoulder, he turned around to look at his old friend.

'What's happened, Tim?' he asked with an annoying tone. Timmy showed him an email that was sent from a famous show company.

"We've got invited to Ben's Night Show!' Timmy said in excitement.

However, Dan looked away, being upset. 'Great, another night show...' he replied.

George leaned against the wall, crossed his arms and smirked. 'What's your attitude? Did you get dumped again?' George joked and chuckled.

'Ugh, no! I just don't like going to these night shows. What's the point anyways?" The boy got even more upset by what Dan said.

'What's the point? Do you know how many audiences these shows have? We'll gain more fame, more fans! Don't you want to become successful?' Timmy raised his voice, showing disappointment.

Dan placed his coffee down, took a deep breath and replied, 'I don't want to succeed or gain fame, at least, not like this.' He raised his voice as well, with a face full of seriousness. He continued, 'All the money, fans, even this new studio... don't belong to us. Don't you see?' This was the point when the atmosphere started to get awkward. George froze at Dan's words, meanwhile, Timmy seemed to look really dissatisfied because of what he heard.

'Dan, we've talked about this before'. The boy became serious. 'As long as nobody knows about what we did, we will be able to continue being stars, being famous musicians. Isn't that your dream since kindergarten? It's mine too, y'know?' He rubbed Dan's shoulder. 'So come on! Cheer up!'

But then, his hand got slapped by Dan. He widened his eyes, being shocked at what Dan just did.

'Tim, my dream is to be a musician, not a copycat!' Dan yelled out in fury. 'Copying lyrics, rewriting others' songs ... I got fed up with it! Once or twice, fine. But now we've done it too many times, are there any songs made by us? No!' The angry young fella had a red face. But Timmy's face was much redder.

'So what? We can still succeed! We still got fans and fame! We got ourselves this brand new studio too. Is there anything to lose?' Tim yelled back.

Dan didn't hesitate and replied immediately, 'MY DIGNITY!' His voice became louder. 'Guys, come on. Let's calm down ...' George gulped at the sight of his friends' fight. He tried to stop their argument but failed. The two started to yell more and more at each other.

'Uh huh? And? It's not like we can start all over again. So stop being a baby, Dan! Be realistic! This world is filled with lies. So don't bother feeling ashamed. And forget about your so-called 'dignity', Timmy scoffed. His harsh words broke Dan's heart.

'FINE! I QUIT!' A few teardrops ran down from Dan's cheeks as he left the room. George was too stunned to say anything, so was Timmy. They watched the sad and heart-broken boy stomp out the studio... and never came back.

A month later, news which was about a famous boy band copying song lyrics and stealing songs from other artists was seen everywhere on TV, on paper and eventually became the talk of the town. Due to all the rumours, Timmy gave up on being a musician and went to help his family with their business. George found a job somewhere out of town. And Dan became a DJ. He also started to post videos of his own music and original songs online, which made him gain some fans as well. Some recognized him, while others didn't. He was not famous and successful, but he was happy.

There was a song he wrote entitled "The Meaning of Success". The lyrics goes like this  $\dots$ 

Oh, no matter the amount of gold,

Or the amount of money,

The only reason to be merry,

Is because of the cheers and glory,

That is there for my own blood and sweat.

Oh, I'll sing, I'll keep on singing.

Getting the reward I truly deserve.

So, please dance, keep on dancing,

Enjoy the rhythm and melody's curves.



5B Ma King Yau



Ah, success. It's the act of taking up a task, either easy or hard, set by yourself or by others, and completing it. Actually, if you really think about it, everything in life could be boiled down to task completion not unlike a video game. Success can range from big to small, from passing an exam or winning a competition, to cooking a decent meal without setting the kitchen on fire, or just waking up on a cold winter morning. One could even say "success" is the driving force of life. That, or it's the fear and consequence of failing, but that isn't today's topic. Today, I am going to define what "success" is, how to achieve it, and I will also offer some food for thought to improve your strategies for acquiring it.

The best place to start when defining something is, obviously, the dictionary. According to the ever reliable Cambridge Dictionary, 'success' is defined as 'achieving the results wanted or hoped for. So now, it's time to ask ourselves, what are the desired results we are trying to achieve by doing what we are doing right now? Every action must have its motives, of course. If you're a student, you are, by definition, studying in a school. Why are you studying in a school? To get a good job after graduation, of course! Alright, suppose you do manage to graduate from university, first of all, congratulations, second of all, why do you plan on getting a job? The answer is again, simple: To thrive in this chaotic society and not sink into the deep dark depths of bankruptcy. Though the final conclusion we've reached is quite morbid, the general consensus is there: the reason we study, and thus the indicator of 'success', is to thrive and live a good life. Alright, the metric of 'success', or goal, is set. Now, how do we reach it?

'How do we reach it?' Haven't we just said that the whole reason we study is to earn that good life? Well yes, but just like how writing a three word long "sentence" for a 5-mark question isn't going to get you full marks, we need to break down this 'achieving' stage of our plan into more understandable parts and elaborate further. In order to get you a good life, the best way is to enter the university, as I have mentioned prior. How do we do that? There's a whole rabbit hole filled with websites and spreadsheets to go down for that, but the basic principle is to get good grades. At last, we have reached the million dollar guestion, the guestion every student and their mother are asking: How does one get better grades? Everyone has different answers. Some might say tutorial lessons are a no-brainer, while some say past papers are the key to mastery. Once again, this topic is discussed and told to us ad nauseam, so I won't bother repeating what you have already known. But generally, the answer is, unfortunately, different from person to person, so experiments will have to be done to figure out which one suits you best.

We now have a goal, and there are still a handful of steps we need to take to 'succeed'. Now that all the planning is done, what is left to do is execution, and we should be home free! Unfortunately, execution is more often than not the hard part, and this is the phase where most people failed attempts at secession lie. Worry not though, because every successful person must have walked this path on their way to success, and if you're too scared to at least try, you will never have a chance to succeed. On the contrary, however, let's say a student had decided to devote his whole existence to following his master plan. 'Oops? Only 30 marks? It's okay if I dedicate more time to studying this subject; maybe I enrol in some more tutorial classes, I'll get it in no time!' Fast forward 5 months to when the poor student was receiving his exam paper after staying up late for a week straight for studying and homework, only to realise that he had actually gotten worse, because he understood nothing in the tutorial lesson, among other things like sleep deprivation.

I personally don't have much advice to give, but if there's one thing I can confidently say, I advise everyone to never commit to a sinking ship. Make relevant changes on the fly. And most importantly, question your approach to the situation. That way, you won't be tunnel-visioned by your predetermined, potentially ill-fated plan, and have a chance to recalculate your approach to a better path, instead of wasting unnecessary energy on blindly brute forcing your way to success. Sure, it may work, but there are a plethora of issues with this 'caveman method' of doing things, as discussed above. I truly think having a sceptical mindset is the best way of dealing with any situation, and one that our school has neglected to teach us about. Anyways, with our new mindset of scepticism, let's go back and sift through our 'master plan', and see if we can improve upon it.

Let's start on the surface and dive our way down. Is there a better way for getting high marks other than tutorial lessons or grinding past papers? That sounds really tedious and soul crushing. Maybe you could ask the classmate that's really good at the subject you're struggling in for some help, or perhaps ask the teacher for advice. Is there a better way of acquiring useful knowledge that will actually be practical for jobs in the future? Will the stuff taught to us now actually be useful outside of school? Uhhh, you may have to ask the teachers about that. Disregarding that, the ultimate goal of this whole plan is to ultimately live a healthy and fulfilling life, so is there a better way of achieving that, without going through most of, if not all of the hoops we have to go through now? Well, I'll leave that though as an exercise for the reader.

Of course, this whole situation of students chasing success is just one example, and this general idea framework can be applied to many scenarios. To give some closing thoughts, though 'success' is the ultimate goal, the path you take is equally important, and if planned badly, it could potentially disrupt the course of your other paths towards achieving success, causing a cascading effect of failure. Therefore, as one could only predict so many variables from the beginning, feel free to make changes of your goal, and reevaluate your approach based on your current knowledge. Remember to strive to succeed.



5B Cheung Kwan Kit



Dan, Timmy and George won the singing contest. They formed a boy band called Handsome Boys and became very successful. Their song 'The God Knows' was very popular. Children, teenagers and even the elderly from all over the world knew their song. In one night, they became world-class stars.

'Look! Look! We've become superstars; we've become famous! Glory, money, fame ... and success!' Dan and George shouted excitedly. 'Timmy, aren't you thrilled?' they asked. Timmy sat down, trembling a little and keeping silent. After a moment of silence, he finally spoke, 'Dan, George, I think we shouldn't copy songs, it is immoral. Let's stop it...'

'Hahhhhhh! What are you talking about? This is the golden time for us to become more and more famous and successful. We can't stop here!' George yelled and shut the door with a loud bang. After this day, their friendship had busted up. Timmy sat in the living room alone. He broke down in tears. Tears were rolling down his face. At that moment, he decided to do something.

After two days, someone discovered that they had copied a Japanese song for their singing contest. In one night, all the netizens flooded them with negative comments. The name 'Handsome Boys' had become tarnished. Many sponsors were very dissatisfied, so the boys also suffered from a huge debt suddenly. In order to get rid of the debt, George and Dan argued, shifting all the responsibility onto Timmy. After that, Timmy lost his privacy, including his home address, phone number, family profiles, school, etc. Their normal life was totally affected. There were hordes of paparazzi swarming near Timmy's house. Worse still, his brother lost his job because of it and Timmy also became a victim of cyberbullying. Under such tremendous pressure, Timmy did not want to show up in the public by isolating himself at home.

News about the boy band came up every day. The police also started investigating their case. Fortunately, the police found out that it was not the fault of Timmy who had to bear all the responsibilities. Following the release of this breaking news, some netizens felt sorry while some went to Timmy's home to apologise and place some cards and gifts in front of the door. George and Dan were caught by the police because of

charges of defamation.

The wrongdoers had to face punishment, and Timmy's innocence was finally proven. Once you've become a public figure, a superstar, there is always something you have to lose. Is it the cost of fame and success?

5B Wan Lok Yi

What is success? In my opinion, when someone achieves a goal and becomes famous, that is success. Success does not come out of luck. Many successful people like athletes have made a lot of efforts in making achievements in order to realise their dreams and become well-known.

Take Stephen Curry as an example. He is now a famous basketball star. In his early life, he was not tall enough and not strong enough. However, with his outstanding skills, he was selected to the All-Star Game and led the team to participate in three playoffs and three inter-state playoffs. He believed that his strength would draw the attention of the first-class college basketball team. Nevertheless, contrary to his expectation, no famous basketball school was willing to provide opportunities for the skinny Curry. Finally, he chose Davidson College, a third-class college for basketball.

Curry did not give up and did not lose hope. He kept training himself day after day because his final goal was to get into the National Basketball Association (NBA) and become a famous basketball player. Later, his dream came true. He caught the attention of the NBA. However, at the same time, many people doubted whether a skinny boy from a third-class basketball college could make any contribution in the game.

With effort and determination, his excellent performance in the games proved to those who doubted his ability. He was then selected by the Golden State Warriors, a famous NBA team.

Curry finally realised his dream. He got into the NBA and made a lot of contributions in it. His passion for basketball and his charm on the basketball court have influenced a lot of people to love basketball, including me.

For me, success means making achievements and becoming famous. What about you? What is your definition of success? How will you strive to succeed?



5B Lam Ho Leo



Success is what everyone pursues in their lives. I think the definition of success is not how much money or fame you get. It is about continuous hard work for the goal and the achievement made with effort.

As a student, I hope to be successful in my studies. As long as I work hard to continuously enrich the scope of my knowledge and enhance my academic performance, I will be successful. However, the road to success is not smooth sailing. There is a person who showed me how to be strong and overcome difficulties. That person is Sarah Lee Wai Sze.

Sarah is an athlete. Although she has experienced countless injuries, she has never given up. Her perseverance and hard work finally contributed to her success. Her spirit taught me that I have to persevere when facing difficulties and setbacks.

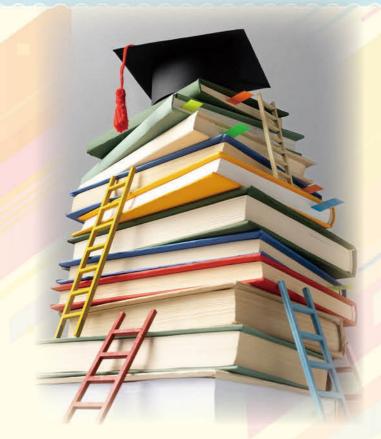
If anyone asks me what success means to me, I will tell him that making progress is success for me. You don't necessarily have to beat others to be successful. What you can learn in the process and how you make improvements are more important. Take Sarah Lee as an example. She continued improve in every competition. Even when she lost a competition, she did not go away. Instead, she tried to find out her weaknesses and made efforts to improve her skills. I think that is what success should mean. If you think you will fail and become discouraged, you will never achieve success. I believe in a Chinese saying, 'Failure is the mother of success'.

Finally, success also requires one to maintain a good attitude. A positive attitude allows us to face difficulties bravely and fight against negative emotions such as frustration and anxiety. Positivity is the power that helps us continuously improve our abilities and qualities.

All in all, once you take the first step, success will not be too far away from you. Everyone can succeed.



5B Lam Yuk Ting



Recently, our school has established a representative slogan, which carries the spirit of our fellow students. It truly demonstrates our passion, which is to strive to succeed.

To many, in order to strive to succeed, we should first set a few reasonable goals in aspects such as learning pace, and engagement in extracurricular activities. And my goal is to go camping at least once a year.

Yet, we all realise that when we make an effort into working towards our goals, we will inevitably encounter obstacles and challenges. As my age advances, I don't have adequate time to participate in many of the events I admire. This is because I would have to allocate more time to studies. Nevertheless, we can choose to encounter difficulties with a positive mindset. For example, we could make a comprehensive timetable. To enjoy a well-balanced senior secondary school life, we can go camping to learn some cooperation skills during the process. This is because if we desire to strive to succeed, we should join some purposeful actions to enrich our mindsets. Joining a camp can allow us to learn and experience soft skills such as cooking in the wild, helping each other, having showers in a river, plus eating only a limited amount of food.

As we get close to our goals, we may consider offering ourselves some encouragement, so as to offer positive reinforcement. We may do what we like and engage in some meaningful and healthy entertainment, such as having fun through camping.

With the above in hand, we can strive to succeed in an organised manner.





In my opinion, success is a kind of affirmation of what I have done. Success can be measured. My achievements or the results of my actions can determine how successful I am.

To succeed, we first need to set clear goals. For example, I want to be one of the top three students in my class this semester. When we have a clear goal, we need to make a plan to achieve it. In order to be one of the top three students in my class, I would review what I have learned every day at home. In addition, I would go to bed early and get up early every day in order to stay focused during lessons.

A normal school day lasts around eight hours. This is far too long because there are also after-school tutorials that require me to stay even longer in school. I do not get enough sleep, which is a big challenge for me. Therefore, I usually finish my homework during recess and do revision on the bus when I go home or go to school. Our way to success is full of obstacles. Perseverance is essential when we face difficulties.

Success is not guaranteed even though we strive to achieve it. However, we should know that every failure can be turned into an opportunity to grow. The more we are able to learn from our failures, the closer we will be to success.

The secret lies in persistence and perseverance. In the pursuit of goals, we often encounter a variety of difficulties and challenges. Perseverance is the key to overcoming these difficulties. The biggest difference between successful people and unsuccessful people is that successful people can relentlessly pursue their goals. They do not easily give up even when they encounter setbacks, while unsuccessful people often give up halfway due to lack of persistence and perseverance.



5C Cheng Sze Nga

To achieve success is not an overnight thing. It requires hard effort and unremitting persistence. So, how can we achieve success?

First of all, a clear goal is the first step to success. We need to be clear about what we want to achieve. We should set clear goals and work hard to achieve them. Goals should be specific, doable, and aligned with your values and interests.

Secondly, success requires a firm belief and a positive attitude. In the process of pursuing success, we will inevitably encounter various difficulties and setbacks, but only by insisting on believing in our own ability and values can we overcome difficulties. At the same time, it is also very important to keep a positive attitude. A positive mindset can help us see solutions to problems, stimulate creativity and imagination, and thus better cope with challenges.

In addition, success requires constant learning and growth. The world is constantly changing. Only by constantly learning and adapting to changes can we remain competitive. In addition to professional knowledge, it is also very important to cultivate good interpersonal and communication skills. Through learning and growth, we can continuously improve our ability and lay a solid foundation for success.

Finally, success requires hard work and perseverance. Success requires perseverance and courage to face challenges and risks. Only through perseverance can we reach the other side of success.

The pursuit of success is a long-term and continuous process. It requires a clear purpose, firm belief, continuous learning and growth, and perseverance. Only in this way can we truly succeed and create our own brilliance on the way to success. Let us have a dream, down to earth, go forward, towards a successful life journey!



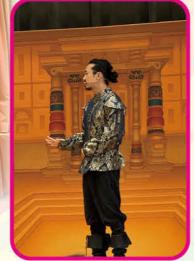
5C Lin Tsz Sin



### ENGLISH DRAMA















A drama show "Cinderella" was on in Sun Hoi! Every student enjoyed the show to the largest extent and couldn't wait to explore the world of literature and drama appreciation!

Success means maximising my efforts. The goal I have set for myself is getting a pass in every subject in my DSE exam. It is important for me because if I get good results in DSE, it will be easy for me to find a better job in the future.

The steps I need to take to reach that goal are working harder in Maths and BAFS, keeping up with my English results.

First, my Maths and BAFS results are poor. I attended tutorial classes to learn from some tutors, who would teach me the basics first, and then I would ask my Maths and BAFS teachers at school for help if I didn't make improvement. I also did more exercises to improve my calculation in Maths and BAFS. Second, I think my English results right now are not bad but in addition to maintaining my English scores, I still hope to make further progress. I am aiming for a 5\*\* in my English DSE exam. I will try to speak more English in daily life to improve my English speaking skills. Lastly, I am currently qualified in Chinese and History but I am hoping to get a better result. I keep all the Chinese textbooks I have studied in my mind and do more Chinese writing. Also, I have memorised all the history I have learned so that I don't have to worry about forgetting it during the exam.

There was an obstacle I encountered while striving for my goal. When I was studying BAFS, I encountered difficult questions. Even though the teacher had taught me the gist already, I still couldn't do it. I felt very discouraged. Why can my classmates do it but I can't? I kept trying to do the questions I didn't know, but no matter what, the answers I came up with were wrong, so I planned to give up studying this. But I have overcome this challenge and stayed resilient.

My BAFS tutor told me not to give up. She said 'Believe in yourself, nothing is impossible.' I listened to her positive words and started to try again and again. I set a timetable for myself. Every week, I would spend 4 days studying and try to learn more Maths and BAFS lessons. And I have learned that I would never give up even though there were obstacles.



Finally, my BAFS results were 6 marks higher than the last test. Even though I still didn't get a pass, I will continue to work harder next time.

5C Lau Pik Kiu



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Success to me means the result of my hard work. This process is not easy at all and requires a long period of practice to finally achieve it.

One goal that I have set for myself is to get into university and pursue a career as a movie director. This goal is important to me because I have always been passionate about storytelling and the power of cinema to convey emotions, ideas and experiences. I was attracted to a movie during the New Year. The movie is entitled "Article 20". It is about cases related to Article 20 of criminal Law and unfair sentences in society. It is very touching and meaningful to me. Director Zhang Yimou is a very powerful director. He inspired me to use movies to convey messages. Becoming a director would allow me to bring stories to life and make a positive impact on the audience.

In order to achieve this goal to become a movie director, I have identified several steps that need to be taken. First, I focused on improving my grades and understanding in all subjects. This includes studying diligently, asking for help when needed and maintaining a positive attitude towards learning. Good academic performance is crucial for me to gain admission to a reputable university and lay a solid foundation for my future studies.

I have encountered various challenges and obstacles while trying to achieve my goals. A major challenge is balancing my academic responsibilities. I sometimes feel overwhelmed with assignments and struggle to find enough time to pursue my passion for directing. These challenges required me to develop effective time management strategies and prioritise my commitments.

When I encounter obstacles, I remind myself of my passion for directing and why I chase this path. I seek support from mentors, friends and family who understood my aspirations and offered encouragement. Thank to them, I am now strong enough to stay determined and adoptable.

In short, the goal of going to university and becoming a movie director is important to me. I am improving my grades and overcoming challenges through resilience and determination. By staying focused, I believe I will achieve my goals and be successful in my chosen career path.



5C Yeung Pui Yi

