

SUCCESS

Greatness, Triumph and Victory

1. ESSENCE

- 4747 To conquer oneself is a greater victory
than to conquer thousands in a battle.
Buddha (B.C. 568-488)
- 4748 Success is the reward of toil.
Sophocles (B.C. 495-406)
- 4749 The first and best victory is to conquer self; to be
conquered by self is of all things most shameful and vile.
Plato (B.C. 427?-347?)
- 4750 Success - keeping your mind awake and your desire asleep.
Moses Ibn Ezra (1060?-1139?)
- 4751 Success is a result, not a goal.
Gustave Flaubert (1821-1880)
- 4752 There is only one success -
to be able to spend your life in your own way.
Christopher Morley (1890-1957)
- 4753 The great are they who attempt the difficult things,
which lesser men avoid.
Indian Proverb

2. OPPOSITES

- 4754 Prepare for the difficult while it is still easy.
Deal with the big while it is still small.
Difficult undertakings have always started with what's easy.
Great undertakings always started with what is small.
Therefore the sage never strives for the great,
And thereby the great is achieved.
Lao-Tzu (fl. B.C. 600)
- 4755 The superior man understands what is right;
the inferior man understands what will sell.
Confucius (B.C. 551-479)
- 4756 Conquered, we conquer.
Plautus (B.C. 254-184)
- 4757 Yield to him who opposes you;
by yielding you conquer.
Ovid (B.C. 43-18 A.D.)

- 4758 Victor and vanquished never unite in substantial agreement.
Tacitus (55-117 A.D.)
- 4759 Perhaps, for worldly success,
we need virtues that make us loved
and faults that make us feared.
Joubert (1754-1824)
- 4760 There is nothing so dreadful as a great victory -
except a great defeat.
Emerson (1803-1882)
- 4761 The greatest victory is defeat.
Henrik Ibsen (1828-1906)
- 4762 Success - To rise from the illusion of pursuit
to the disillusion of possession.
Elbert Hubbard (1859-1915)

3. INSIGHT

- 4763 The men who are great live with that which is substantial,
they do not stay with that which is superficial;
they abide with realities,
they remain not with what is showy.
The one they discard, the other they hold.
Lao-Tzu (fl. B.C. 600)
- 4764 More will be accomplished, and better, and with more ease,
if every man does what he is best fitted to do,
and nothing else.
Plato (B.C. 427?-347?)
- 4765 The great man is he who does not lose his child-heart. He
does not think beforehand that his words shall be sincere,
nor that his acts shall be resolute; he simply abides in
the right.
Mencius (B.C. 371-288)
- 4766 He conquers twice who conquers himself in victory.
Shakespeare (1564-1616)
- 4767 The earnest desire of succeeding is almost always a
prognostic of success.
Leszczynski Stanislaus (1677-1766)
- 4768 Success makes success, as money makes money.
Chamfort (1741-1794)

- 4769 Success usually comes to those who are too busy to be looking for it.
Thoreau (1817-1862)
- 4770 Victory is a thing of the will.
Ferdinand Foch (1851-1929)
- 4771 Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed.
Booker T. Washington (1856-1915)
- 4772 A man can succeed at almost anything for which he has unlimited enthusiasm.
Charles Schwab (1862-1939)
- 4773 One beam alone...
No matter how stout...
Cannot support a house.
Chinese Proverb

4. POSITIVE

- 4774 One's own self conquered is better than all other people; not even a god could change into defeat the victory of a man who has vanquished himself, and always lives under restraint.
The Dhammapada (c. B.C. 300)
- 4775 To those who believe and do good deeds,
for them are gardens beneath which flow rivers.
This is the great triumph.
Koran (c. 651 A.D.)
- 4776 Brave conquerors! for so you are
That war against your own affections,
And the huge army of the world's desires.
Shakespeare (1564-1616)
- 4777 Success is a rare paint, hides all the ugliness.
John Suckling (1609-1642)
- 4778 The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well, and doing well whatever you do without thought of fame. If it comes at all it will come because it is deserved, not because it is sought after.
Longfellow (1807-1882)
- 4779 Without victory there is no survival!
Winston Churchill (1874-1965)

- 4780 The common idea that success spoils people by making them vain, egotistic and self-complacent is erroneous; on the contrary, it makes them for the most part, humble, tolerant and kind. Failure makes people cruel and bitter.
Somerset Maugham (1874-1965)

5. NEGATIVE

- 4781 Success has a great tendency to conceal and throw a veil over the evil deeds of men.
Demosthenes (B.C. 384-322)
- 4782 Victory is by nature insolent and haughty.
Cicero (B.C. 106-43)
- 4783 See how does great prosperity overspreads the mind with darkness.
Seneca (B.C. 3-65 A.D.)
- 4784 Experience has always shown, and reason also, that affairs which depend on many seldom succeed.
Francesco Guicciardini (1483-1540)
- 4785 Success produces confidence; confidence relaxes industry, and negligence ruins the reputation which accuracy had raised.
Ben Jonson (1572-1637)
- 4786 We triumph without glory when we conquer without danger.
Pierre Corneille (1606-1684)
- 4787 Constant success shows us but one side of the world; for, as it surrounds us with friends, who will tell us only our merits, so it silences those enemies from whom alone we can learn our defects.
Colton (1780-1832)
- 4788 Success is full of promises till men get it; and then it is as last year's nest, from which the bird has flown.
Beecher (1813-1878)
- 4789 Success soon palls.
The joyous time is when the breeze first strikes your sails,
and the waters rustle under your bows.
Charles Buxton (1823-1871)
- 4790 Success is counted sweetest
By those who never succeed.
Emily Dickinson (1830-1886)

4791 Not to the swift, the race:
 Not to the strong, the fight:
 Not to the righteous, perfect grace:
 Not to the wise, the light.

Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933)

6. ADVICE

4792 He will succeed if he remains firm in principle and goes
 beyond selfish considerations to mingle freely with those
 who do not share his feelings, as well as those who do.

I Ching (B.C. 1150?)

4793 Truth obtains victory, not untruth.
 Truth is the way that leads to the regions of light.

Upanishads (c. B.C. 800)

4794 Be a tail to lions rather than a head to jackals.

The Talmud (B.C. 500?-400? A.D.)

4795 Our plans miscarry if they have no aim.
 When a man does not know what harbor he is making for,
 no wind is the right wind.

Seneca (B.C. 3-65 A.D.)

4796 If one is intelligent and applies himself well,
 What can he not accomplish?
 Even small bands of people, I have heard,
 Have defeated whole armies.

Saskya Pandita (1182-1251)

4797 To climb steep hills requires slow pace at first.

Shakespeare (1564-1616)

4798 To win a race, the swiftness of a dart
 availeth not without a timely start.

La Fontaine (1621-1695)

4799 Presence of mind, and courage in distress,
 Are more than armies to procure success.

Dryden (1631-1700)

4800 Do not think dishonestly...
 Distinguish between gain and loss in worldly matters.
 Develop intuitive judgement and understanding for
 everything.
 Perceive those things which cannot be seen.
 Pay attention even to trifles.
 Do nothing which is of no use.

Miyamoto Musashi (1584-1645)

- 4801 Be commonplace and creeping,
and you attain all things.
Beaumarchais (1732-1799)
- 4802 Nothing is impossible to the man who can will, and then do;
this is the only law of success.
Mirabeau (1749-1791)
- 4803 If you would be well with a great mind,
leave him with a favorable impression of you;
if with a little mind,
leave him with a favorable opinion of himself.
Samuel Coleridge (1772-1834)
- 4804 If you would hit the mark, you must aim a little above it:
Every arrow that flies feels the attraction of earth.
Longfellow (1807-1882)
- 4805 The true road to pre-eminent success in any line
is to make yourself master of that line.
Andrew Carnegie (1837-1919)
- 4806 The three great essentials to achieve anything worth-
while are first, hard work; second, stick-to-itiveness;
third, common sense.
Thomas A. Edison (1847-1931)
- 4807 What are the qualities that make for success? Judgement,
industry, health, and the greatest of these is judgement.
Beaverbrook (1879-1964)
- 4808 Try not to become a man of success but
rather try to become a man of value.
Einstein (1879-1955)
- 4809 The secret of all victory lies in the organization of the
non-obvious.
Spengler (1880-1936)
- 4810 I can give you a six-word formula for success:
"Think things through - then follow through."
Edward Rickenbacker (1890-1973)

7. POTPOURRI

- 4811 Bit by bit the man achieves success.
This should be valued but not pushed too far.
When the moon is full, waning is inevitable.
Quiescence is in order.
I Ching (B.C. 1150?)

- 4812 Which does one love more, fame or one's own life?
Which is more valuable, one's own life or wealth?
Which is worse, gain or loss?
Therefore
He who has lavish desires will spend extravagantly.
He who hoards most will lose heavily.
He who is contented suffers no disgrace.
He who knows when to stop is free from danger.
Therefore he can long endure.
Lao-Tzu (fl. B.C. 600)
- 4813 Despise no man and consider nothing impossible,
for there is no man who does not have his hour
and there is no thing that does not have its place.
The Talmud (B.C. 500?-400? A.D.)
- 4814 To him who knoweth the true nature of things,
What need is there of a teacher?
To him who hath recovered from illness,
What need is there of a physician?
To him who hath crossed the river,
What need is there of a boat?
Nagarjuna (c. 100-200 A.D.)
- 4815 Success, the mark no mortal wit,
Or surest hand, can always hit:
For whatsoe'er we perpetrate,
We do but row, we're steer'd by Fate,
Which in success oft disinherits,
For spurious causes, noblest merits.
Samuel Butler (1612-1680)
- 4816 He that will not stoop for a pin
will never be worth a pound.
Samuel Pepys (1633-1703)
- 4817 He that climbs the tall tree has won right to the fruit,
He that leaps the wide gulf should prevail in his suit.
Walter Scott (1771-1832)
- 4818 All you need in this life is ignorance and confidence,
and then success is sure.
Mark Twain (1835-1910)