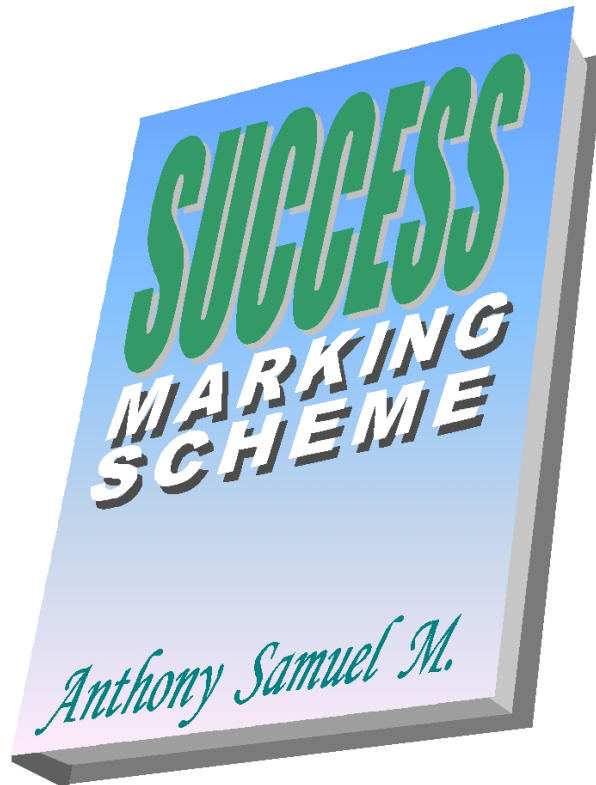


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intro: **What is success?**

Many scholars have tried to define success over the years coming up with differing descriptions. Quotes from notable individuals of past and present generations have been written. Many others are still trying to define the term to date. They quoted and are quoting from how they experienced it. The differences in definition may be due to the fact that we all come from different origins and pass through different paths in life.

For many years I have always wanted to know the true meaning of success. I have done a lot of study and research trying to unravel the mystery of success. What I discovered is this.

What you know to be success is best described by you personally depending on many factors influencing you specifically.

You are the only one who can very well define your success. What your values are, determine your perspective concerning success. Therefore we can safely say that your success is the accomplishment of your personal dreams, plans and goals. To me that is success. That is what we will work with in this scheme. Your very own success. Not the success of anybody else past or living but yours. It is you we want to be a success.

As said above, having come from differing backgrounds and environments makes us have different perspectives about success. We all live differently. We experience different phases of life throughout our existence on earth. Our beliefs also differ. One thing however that is common amongst us is that we all want and desire to be successful regardless of our different definitions of the word. We want to achieve, to conquer and to win. You do want to succeed. The good thing is that everything you could ever think of on this world is achievable. You can make it in anything you ever thought about.

Just to show you more on what success could mean I here give you an example.

-Do you want to become the president of your country? Do you dream about it day and night? Does it occupy your every minute? You can become the president if that is your dream. The fact that others before have done it is proof enough that it is something realistic and achievable by someone else. That someone could well be you. When and not if you become the president, that will then become your success. It is possible to achieve this success if you know how and follow every step towards your success. This knowledge has always been available to anybody who has been ready to acquire it and use it. The ones who have used it are the ones who have become successful before in their chosen fields. This is the knowledge that is contained in this scheme. In this world, there happens to be no major or minor huddle if you have the right answers to all the questions concerning it. This is what the first astronaut to the moon believed. When you have directions or a way to follow and you follow them, then you finally get to your destination.

It is after achieving your success that you get used to it and it becomes an everyday thing. You fail to notice the hustles you initially went through to achieve the same. I have observed severally in life that small things are always taken for granted when finally achieved. They are assumed. The fact is, when a goal is accomplished regardless of its magnitude, success has been achieved. This is what I am trying to say:

-Managing to get out of bed in the morning is success (short term).

-Brushing your teeth daily is also success.

This should also give you the understanding that those who have accomplished the big things in life after sometime just take it like brushing your teeth every day. It's common practice. The truth is that anything is achievable and any success can be common practice. Believe that and you will surely be

able to make it in your chosen goal as I show you how. You will enjoy your success with the common day ease of brushing your teeth.

Therefore, regardless of what you want in life.....

Be a cook	Go round the world	Become a pilot
Be an artist	Win the race	Unite the world
Build a house	Become the richest	Climb a mountain
Buy a car	Bring up a family	Learn Piano
Learn golf	Become a bestseller	

.....You can make it and be a success.

If you follow carefully the instructions given in this scheme, I assure you success to the highest degree. It is good to note that focus and commitment are vital in achieving your success. You must learn to work on a goal to completion without being wavered by many others. It is advisable to concentrate your energies to one specific goal at any time for the best results.

I have personally read most of the very notable books on success skills and personal development. Books like, [Rich Dad Poor Dad](#), [Think and Grow Rich](#), [As A Man Thinketh](#), [The Science of Getting Rich](#), [Acres of Diamonds](#), [Unlimited Power](#) and many others are all very good books which I would recommend any positive thinking individual to find time and read for his /her own good. These are books that motivate and inspire one to think in a progressive way in life rather than move in a regressive path.

However, in my continued study, I came to discover that we still have many individuals who have read some or all of these books over and over again but still have never attained any notable personal achievement. Many still remain in want and lack.

Does it mean that the philosophies contained in these books do not work?

No! That is the farthest from the truth. A fact will not cease to remain a fact just because it does not work for a single soul. What the authors teach is accurate and workable. These books contain life-changing information.

Where then does the problem come in that people still remain where they were before they even read them? Why do we still have poor people while others are wealthy? Why do we still have failures while the others are successful?

The main reason is that most just read them to fill their brains with information and nothing more. They don't act on them. Some start on a good path and loose motivation along the way. They loose hope and give up.

A simple reason of giving up;

You have probably attended a seminar of sort, a church service or even a political rally. Do you remember when the speaker/leader would talk and talk for hours on end without stopping and all the rest did was listen? I personally have and what happened was that some of the listeners went to sleep while still listening. Now remember the other one you went to and the leader would ask people to stand, dance, shout or even repeat some affirmations. This was action. Much was achieved then and most of what happened on that particular day is still very clear in your mind today.

The difference with this scheme is that while most of the above mentioned books are information to be stored in the mind, the Success Marking Scheme is a practical guide to success. You work your way up physically not mentally. It contains actions which you must carry out on your way to your

success. In every action you have to record on the scheme itself.

As you are reading this scheme, I ask you to have in mind your utmost success and work through with it in mind. You will also note that I sometimes refer to it as your goal or dream.

What do you dream and want to be a success in? Write it down here.

.....

My desired success

The aim of this scheme is to help you move step by step towards your success. Take your time to read, think and act on every chapter with precision. List down points at the end of every chapter then tick the provided box every time you think you have that point in order. Your following this guide to the letter will guarantee success like you never experienced before. You have to be practical.

When you are through with ticking the boxes in this scheme, come back here and tick the above one having attained your success. The aim of this scheme once completed is to ensure that you achieve what you desire by giving you the best directions towards your well-known destination.

Here then are the ingredients necessary for any given success.

1. Information

In today's world information is the most vital ingredient of survival. This is why they are always making it readily available, easily digestible and via the quickest means of exchange. More improvement on information exchange is being done every passing day.

Preparation is one of the best practices you could ever undertake for any project in life and one of the ways of being prepared is to have the right information. Information is the road map to your success. A road map assures you of reaching your destination. In preparation you know what is expected of you for the achievement of your specific goal. You set your timing of the undertaking. You try to see and weigh the challenges ahead. In construction this is called the blueprint. In this case as we are working towards your success together, we will make the blueprint as I direct you step by step on how to build your success.

The accomplishment of your goal is largely dependent on the information you have concerning it. The more you know about your goal, the higher the chances you have of accomplishing it and in the most desirable way.

Gather as much information as you can from all the available sources. Choose information that is of help to you and keep. It is advisable to have information to be acted on listed down in point form. We will do this with you in every chapter of this scheme. In other words, I will help you set your answers for your questions concerning your success. I will take you step by step towards your chosen goal. If you follow through with full commitment I assure you that your success is guaranteed. You have to be committed to your dream however small or big in order to achieve it. You have to be personally involved in your own success.

How much you know about a specific goal determines quite a lot concerning how it's accomplished. That is to say it will affect the time taken, the quality and the ease of achieving it.

In this information age, you can't merely start out aimlessly and hope to make it securely to your destination and more so in good time if you are to beat the ever increasing competition. You have to be prepared adequately beforehand. However it is good to point out that information is a continual process. This means that you will continue to gather more information even after beginning on your course to keep with the pace of this ever-changing world. This is especially so on a long-term goal.

Imagine this scenario.....

You are in an airbus carrying around 700 passengers. You leave the airport destined to fly to another one on the other side of the globe. Fifteen minutes into the flight and every other instrument on data and communication goes blank. You don't know your height from the ground, no distance from any airport, neither in which direction you are heading in. Let's say the engines are the latest in technology, working perfectly well and the fuel tanks are full to capacity. But that does not really matter in this case. What would be the fate of the plane and everyone on board? Your guess is as good as mine. This clearly demonstrates the worth of information on your goal.

At this point, I would like to mention that most of the things I have accomplished in life were started from very small bits of information. They were just passing hints sometimes from a careless talker. I gathered together those hints, acted on them and accomplished what I wanted. For example, I worked in one prestigious organization and got kicked out after six months for no apparent reason. After about two years of fighting to get back, I finally did. This time round careful to check the details to maintain my position I got the hint that in this particular organization, your staying largely depended on your relationship with the cleaners not necessarily with the bosses as anybody would think. From then on I got in good terms with the grounds men. This got me working there for seven

good years only leaving at my pleasure with alot of goodwill.

There are several ways of gathering information to be acted on. One of them is reading. This can be from books, magazines e.t.c. You have to read a lot of available material concerning your chosen goal to be well prepared. Try to find the finer details concerning it. In some instances depending on your goal in mind you have to read through some history.

Not every goal is dependent on written information though. There are those that you just use a simpler mode of gathering information-ASK. Asking is one of the easiest ways to get what you want in life. It is a sad affair about life that very many people don't have what they want simply because they have never asked. Just because you don't know something doesn't mean that your next-door neighbor doesn't. You don't expect him to go shouting everywhere about everything he knows. If only you took your time and used this very valuable and effective mode of collecting information, you would be more informed than you currently are and better placed to act on whatever you know in order to achieve your goal.

You can only benefit from asking by being a listener. Listen to the answers given. Be a good listener, able to pick and keep the very vital ingredients necessary for your success. Listen also to the radio, the TV and also buy tapes and cds relevant to your goal if need be. Practice good listening habits. The reason many people don't get much from listening is because they talk more than they listen. That is not in the best order. I always say that the very reason we have one mouth and two ears is in order for us to listen to more than we talk.

As we list down means of collecting information, let us not forget one more source that is of very big importance in today's world. This is the internet. Today you are able to access almost any information on anything within a fraction of a second just by the click of a mouse. When we consider several issues, we come to see that in the near future this will be the most widely used source of information. It is just becoming limitless.

In regard to this project, once you have the right information concerning your chosen goal, put it in point form here below as directed. As an outline the information can include details like what is your cost, time to take, where to find what e.t.c.

(a) What important details do you know about your goal? (*Write and tick them*)

- 1..... 2..... 3..... 4.....
- 5..... 6..... 7..... 8.....
- 9..... 10..... 11..... 12.....

(b) What more do you need to know concerning your success? (*Write and after knowing, tick them*)

- 1..... 2..... 3..... 4.....
- 5..... 6..... 7..... 8.....
- 9..... 10..... 11..... 12.....

2. Desire

The achievement of anything worthwhile originates from this. It is from the desire to fly like the birds that man built the first airplane. Desire made him try again and again when it didn't work and he finally made it fly. See how he flies today. In order to make it to your chosen goal, you must have the desire for it. You must intensely desire to have that which you want. The more the desire you have for anything, the more you will be committed to it even in the event of a challenging situation. It is desire that will get you started and keep you going to the end. The desire to achieve, accomplish and win. That what you want to be a success in is what is in your desire. What will your success mean to you? What value do you place on your chosen goal? Up to what can you sacrifice to get what you want? How long do you think you can hold on to your dream in the wind of change?

If you start gauging your desire from the first instance that you start gathering information about your goal, you can tell whether you are ready and willing to be a success in it. If you have the information of your chosen goal with you and strongly feel the desire to accomplish it, then you are on the right track.

Your desire for this one thing is expected to surpass every other you ever had before. This in some way is calling for sacrifices in order to attain your utmost goal. A simple example is choosing to watch an educational program on television other than an entertaining one. It means concentrating your desire to your chosen goal while at times forsaking some others.

Again, with desire for a specific thing, you are severally made to do something you dislike presently for that fulfillment of a later date. It is so with the body builders. They undergo a lot of pain to build their muscle. You only get to see for a few minutes what took them years to build. In addition, it is good to mention that desire need to be a continual thing throughout the project otherwise you loose your courage and drop your idea.

How do you feel about your desire to achieve your chosen goal?

- (a) I Strongly desire
- (b) I desire(*you will need to work more on this*)
- (c) I want to but not a must(*going on will be a waste of time*)

What things, activities, actions, habits e.t.c. are you willing to forsake for the accomplishment of this goal?

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3. Belief

If you think you can or cannot, you are absolutely right.

All of the things invented by man that did not exist before, only became a reality because there is someone who believed they could be. When one has the desire for something, it is belief that pushes him to act towards the goal with enthusiasm until the satisfactory accomplishment of it. Without belief, the human mind cannot have the power necessary to accomplish anything below the sun.

It is futile to go chasing after something you desire while at the same time not believing in your possibility of getting it. But I guess that anybody of sound mind will naturally have a strong desire for something after realizing that it is a possibility. This realization is the belief.

In the pursuit of your dream it is only logical that what you desire be in consistency with your belief.

The very fact of you believing in your success makes your dream easier to come true.

Once you have all the right information and have the strong desire to achieve, you have to be truly convinced in your heart that you will achieve that which is before you.

It is easier to achieve things today than it has ever been plainly because most of what you will dream of will either have been done by someone somewhere else or will be a combination of some existing resources. This is where they say that you don't have to re-invent the wheel. Just use it to move ahead. One way to strengthen your belief through this fact based on the information you might have acquired is to have this quote in your heart.

“What a man has done, another can too”

Much of today's success is based on existing equipment and ideas. You may just need to refine an existing idea related to your chosen goal to be a great success. It is good to note here that the richest man in the world for more than ten years by the turn of the millennium did not invent the computer. He only acted on an existing idea refining it and making it a success. He believed he could and he did it. Just like man believed he could fly to the moon and he actually did.

Consequently, I recommend that you have mentors in your area of concern. Having mentors is a strengthening and positive habit in achieving something. They make you increase your belief on the possibility of your dream and hence give you the courage to go on.

If you belief in your dream wholeheartedly, the accomplishment of the same is well within your reach.

Where do you gauge your belief of your capability to achieve your success?

(a) Very strong (b) Strong (c) Fair (d) Weak

It is hereby recommended that if your rating falls on weak you should start all over again. Leaving this area unmarked at first is permissible until when you are confident of ticking any of the first two.

4. Tools

Let me start here by bringing to your attention a shocking truth.

You now have with you a tool that has made all the past success in man, is presently making others and is the one great tool that will ever make all the future successful men and women. Whether you use it for your own success or not is up to you. It all depends on the degree of your desire to be successful. This one great tool and the greatest tool of all, we call it, the mind.

You have a mind. You can be successful. The very fact that you are reading this information and digesting it proves to me that you have a mind and a sound one at that. It is your duty to make this precious gift produce the results you want in your life. It has the potential to shape all your life. The very big advantage you have above those who don't have this information is the point I will bring to your attention or more so, remind you strongly. You have the ability and the liberty to consciously control the contents in your brain. This affects everything you go through in your desired direction and finally your destination. It is as simple as that.

The topic of the power of the mind cannot be fully expounded at any given time. It would require a lot of books to be written to come close to explaining the mind and its potential thereof.

For your case, if this one basic tool is working in you and in good condition, you can start the celebration of your success.

As a norm when you consider carrying out any activity, it is only logical that you should have the tools necessary and they have to be the right tools.

Consider this...

Three people want to cut down three identical trees. One has a very powerful chainsaw, another an axe and a third has a very sharp kitchen knife. All of them are cutting tools. Each person is to cut down one tree using the tool at hand. I can bet that all the trees will definitely fall down. The time taken and the efforts applied are the ones that are going to differ quite variably.

The aim of this illustration is to show you that your choice of the tools you use in pursuit of your goal will determine a lot of things concerning your success. For one they will determine the time taken and secondly the quality of your success. On the same breath I know that a hammer can break an egg but I have never tried it. Do this experiment some day.

In achieving your success you need to have the right tools suited for your goal. It is only then that you can be sure that your success is workable. Using the wrong tools is what has made many stop along the way many a time and abandon their journey to success.

Every job calls for the right tools used rightfully. It is likewise in anything to be achieved. Now here write down the tools you already have working towards your success and the ones you think will need.

(a) Tools I already have. *(write & tick them)*

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(b) Tools I need to have. *(write and after acquiring tick them)*

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5. Action

Let us say you are in town A and want to go to town B.

You have all the information on town B that you require. You know its every street, corner and house by heart. You know all the routes to get to the town and all the vehicles you can use for the journey. The existence of town B is beyond any reasonable doubt.

However even with all this information, I don't think you can wake up one day and find yourself in town B. You have to go there practically. You have to make some directed effort. You take the first step that leads to another and then another and so on. Finally you get there. If you are in a position to take the fastest means of transport available in your locality the better and the faster you get to town B.

Likewise to be successful, you have to act. You need to get into the action. Put the effort to see your dream come true.

It's good that you've got the basics of your success. Let me believe that you have them in the correct order. You are ready with the right information. You have the intense burning desire to achieve your goal. You now believe beyond a shadow of doubt that you are going to succeed having been convinced so and also because you have the right tools in place. That is very good. Excellent! You are on your way to success.

Here is a small illustration regarding your present situation.

Let us say you have been experiencing a lot of pain in your body for many years without a cure. No treatment ever eases the pain. You have visited every doctor you know but the real cause of the pain has never been properly diagnosed. Luckily you come across this particular doctor who is so committed to detail. After performing several tests on you, he carefully says:

"I've finally found what has been paining you all these years. Now you'll be healed"

"Wow! That's very great." you say exhilarated.

The doctor then continues. "We are going to give you a prescription which you are to follow very carefully in order that you may be healed. Are you going to take it?"

I can almost see you jump excitedly exclaiming "Yes!"

Here the doctor pauses for a moment, takes a deep breath then hesitatingly continues. "Forgive me but I will ask you a rather skeptical question. Are you going to afford it?"

There is no pause between the doctor's question and your counter-question of... "How much?"

"It is not as much as you may think money-wise." He replies. "You can very well afford it if you are willing and depending on your desire to be well again. To start with, we are giving you this medicine for free. Take a dose in the morning at noon and at night every day. Your actual cost is following this prescription as it is with commitment to the very end of the problem. We will keep you under supervision for all this time."

That can be a very simple and cheap prescription. Incidentally that is what success calls for. It may look cheap but the application is what gives a lot of people the most of problems.

Action is not always an easy thing for many people to take. It has not been easy for me on several occasions. Your willingness to achieve is what will make you take that action on this scheme. Knowledge alone cannot take you anywhere. Acting on the knowledge is what makes the biggest difference.

All that you've done before in this scheme has been preparation for the action towards your success.

To activate your success, you have to take the initiative and do something about it. You have to plunge into the water to enjoy it.

Many people either fear and/or procrastinate taking action in the excuse of many other things forever.

Fear prevents you from ever trying, from taking that first step. Fear comes in many dimensions and forms. There is fear of the unknown, fear of failure, fear of about anything. However most fears I came to know are only virtual. They are just imaginations. Most of what I feared in the past never actually happened and what did, never happened as I feared it would. Fear will only stop you from going a step ahead.

Procrastination on the other hand is just but a thief of your days. You wake up one day and realize that your time is gone. Who took it? Procrastination did. As you would do anything to protect your valuables from thieves, I would advice you to protect your time. You can only do this by putting your time into productive use. Time can never be preserved. Use it. Take the appropriate action towards your dream today. This will lead you to your success sooner than later.

If you put all you know into action, using the right tools driven by intense desire for achievement and believing that what you want is realistic and achievable, you are definitely destined for your utmost success. Your committed action will see you to your success.

Sometimes it calls for a lot of courage to take that first step but that may be all that is holding you from your success. You have always heard that a journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step. This is because the very first step is so important, it is worth a celebration.

Having the knowledge on anything won't mean anything if you do not make use of it. It is useless in that state and it would have been just a waste of time having gathered it. Right knowledge applied is what produces results. You can be guaranteed of good results if you have good knowledge and apply the knowledge you have correctly.

Hence at this point, we see how you, having the right information concerning your preferred goal, with the intense desire to achieve (as you already believe you can), take action using the tools that you already acquired and achieve it.

Here now write down the first action you take directed towards your success as a major signpost marking a very committed move towards your very success.

After taking the action, tick alongside and move on.

Today's date.....20..... Action taken.....

6. Persistence

While we have some goals in life that are attainable with a single move, it is not always the same for most of others especially the very worthwhile and long-term achievements. To achieve them we call for repeated or continuous action over a period of time. This is what we call persistence. While action is the medicine for you, Persistence is the prescription for taking it. If you want the healing you have been assured of, you have to take it as prescribed here. This calls for commitment. Here is a strong and true quote:

Nothing in the world can take the place of Persistence.

Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent.

Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb.

Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts.

Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent.

*The slogan "Press On" has solved and
always will solve the problems of the human race.*

– Calvin Coolidge

I have often been trying to find out why people are never persistent even after the message being passed all so often and clearly. The benefits of persistence are always broadcast every now and then. The closest I personally ever came to finding the reason is this.

While we were in school, there is a phrase we were always taught to repeat every other day. "If you don't succeed at first, try, try and try again." For many people this happens to be the origin of not being persistent in life. It is a norm that many students tend to be rebellious to the teachers. Any time the phrase was repeated, a negative notion was subconsciously implanted in the child's mind as a thing to be rebelled against and test what could happen. With much repetition, this formed the opposite habit against persistence. Does this ring a bell why many successful people are either school dropouts or altogether illiterate? If they persist on something, they don't ever imagine it is their teacher's directive they are following. They believe it is their drive to achieve that makes them push to the end.

If only you changed your mind's setting even as you are an educated individual and took the phrase to be in your favor 100% you would meet with success the sooner. Accept persistence today. Be persistent on your action towards your goal. It's for your good. It plays a very significant role in the making of your success.

In this scheme, below is the section you will have the most reviews. In your persistence, you are required to be marking this page with every action carried out. Note down actions that are to be carried out and check them once done. It will always show you where you are coming from and where you are headed. For if you know this on any journey, you don't easily get lost but reach your destination in the best way possible.

For long term goals I recommend you have a diary specifically for your particular goal.

If it were not for persistence, we would not have most things we have in the world today especially on modern technology. It is notable that the early days inventors persisted on a particular thing trying again and again probably tens of thousands of times to finally succeed in that which they

wanted to create. Remember they did not have proofs. This made their efforts ever so difficult. All the same they persisted to the success of the wonderful things we have today that are making our lives more efficient.

Persistence is illustrated in the driving in of a nail into wood. Repeated hammer blows will finally get it in. This will help you join pieces of wood together to form a thing of your desire e.g. a chair, table e.t.c. Likewise persistence on bits of your goal will bring you success.

However as a word of caution, if you discover that a nail is not going any further no matter how many blows you give it however hard, find out why and act accordingly. This should not stop you from achieving your goal. Check the cause of any hindrance and find a way around it.

Doing the same thing over and over again in the same old way, all the time using the same resources without any positive results may not be so wise.

If revision of your approach on your goal is allowed, then let us agree that there is no option of giving up. Never quit from a preset goal midway.

Focusing on your goal is mandatory. Lack of focus keeps a lot of people moving around and around in life without ever achieving a single thing though they may seem to be in action and persistently. They may have the best ideas and plans but simply because they are never focused in their persistence on their goals, they will never achieve.

The frequency of your persistence determines the time lapse between your first action and your utmost success. This gives you the ultimate choice of the timing of your assured success.

At this point and every time, use the spaces below to record your persistence as due fit. Add more working space if need be.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action taken</u>	<u>Comments</u>
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7. Appreciation

My recommendation would be for you to read this topic after having achieved your set goal of this scheme. Nevertheless it is as important as all the rest in the preparation and achievement of your utmost success.

Your success needs appreciation.

The fact remains that if you can't appreciate whatever it is that you do, it is better not to do it at all. Appreciation is part and parcel of everyday life. It makes life worthwhile. That is why it is good to be appreciative of every bit of your existence. Life is wonderful with all its different aspects.

On your journey towards and through success you must learn to part yourself on the back every so often for every step that you take regardless of its outcome. This boosts your courage to carry on to the very end of your project. Many people do lack this skill of self-motivation. If they meet with challenges on any course of their life they are likely than not to give up unless encouraged by someone. This someone many a times in life is never there or happens to come to you at an nonredeemable point. The best person that will give you support in real time is yourself. Therefore you must be a person with self-drive to know the correct means and times to do what is required of you. When you appreciate yourself and all that you are capable of, the chances of high achievement are within your reach. Appreciate yourself now and then just the way you are, and that your potential of doing anything is such a high one. You are a worthy person. Believe it.

Have a joyful attitude for as long as you live. This is one way to keep you in good position to appreciate conditions and in good time. According to the laws of nature this will attract to you more goodwill from the supernatural. One of the shortest verses in the Bible stresses this point.

Be joyful always. *1Thes 5:16*

It so happens that joy is one of the best ways of appreciating anything.

In the pursuit of your goal, there is one great aspect that will determine the worth and rate of your success. It determines your very existence.

Everything that happens in this world is under the watchful eyes of the supernatural realm. This realm has more control in our daily life than we are willing to accept. This is something we have to be well aware of all through our efforts. The point is that you should appreciate your creator and the support he has always given you in your entire lifetime. Know the fact that your utmost success will highly depend on His authorization. On your journey towards success and on attaining your dreams, your appreciation of God should be more than any other factor that plays part in it.

Thirdly as we crave for all that our heart desires, we tend to wish that everything could be our own. This means that I would appreciate if I owned the entire world. Me and me alone. Suppose you were placed in this planet just you. Alone! Would you survive? Would you be happy? I guess not. I guess you have never given it a deep thought. The fact is that you would not be worth. The very fact that you have people with you and around you is one more of the greatest things to appreciate at any particular time of your life. Your very success on this earth will very much depend on people whether you like it or not and I can give you a challenge to think just one thing you can do that does not require the input of a person either directly or indirectly. Co-existence is what creates every success on this planet. This is the fact why you must be appreciative of the human race and the part it plays in your earthly journey. Ways and means of appreciation are wide and varied and your wisdom is good enough to know which and how.

As I talk on people appreciation it is good to bring you to my point of view regarding who is to be appreciated.

When I was young I had the belief that I could always and only appreciate the good. As I grew up, I passed through a lot of experiences that taught me that my view was misguided. I came to appreciate the fact that for there to be rights there must have been wrongs to tell between the two. Otherwise you wouldn't know good from bad. When I thought about what my fellow men did wrong to me and tried to see what it brought me, I was amazed at what I came up with. This is when I came up with the following appreciation note to those that did wrong to me in life.

My misfit friends

Thank you so very much, for what you were I can't compare.

The wrongs you did, I see were right.

From what I lost, the gains were more.

The hate you gave, I knew to love.

You gave me weights, my muscles gained.

Through your neglect, independence came.

You said I couldn't.

To prove you wrong, I outdid my mark.

I sincerely thank you.

-Anthony Samuel M.

Everybody with you and around you needs to be appreciated in your journey through success.

The point of appreciating the 'wrongs' drives me further on to adversity appreciation. The presence of joy on your success is more prevalent in the memory of some overcome adversity. Wishing for the elimination of adversity could many times mean mediocre or no achievement. Sometimes it is hard to accept it but it is so. Many examples in life point to this very fact astoundingly.

I usually appreciate many times that I have had challenges in my life. A challenge is not something that will make you smile whoever you are but is a necessary ingredient in success. It is overcoming challenges in your pursuit of success that you come to enjoy it in a very great way. Success is sweeter when you dropped some sweat at one point or the other.

I will give you some illustrations to show you how adversity is helpful and why you should appreciate the fact that you have some of it in your life.

If air flowed in the direction of a plane, it would never take off.

A tree needs to be pruned every now and often to make it healthy and productive. I don't think you would like the cutting and sawing if you were one.

It is dangerous to run on a smooth polished floor however beautiful it may look. The roughness of the floor gives you the necessary grip that enables you to move comfortably.

When you learn to be appreciative of everything related to your dream, you happily achieve it. You then discover that one success leads to another. Many times it leads to bigger and better success.

It would help here to say that in many cases it is encouraged that you leave tracks for others to follow in order also that they may be successes. Give them a guiding hand in whatever you are familiar with to assist them reach their goals.

Depending on your scale of success you can do a lot of things to achieve this. The ways and means are limitless if only as a way of appreciating your success.

Use every available opportunity for the appreciation of your success. Here down list points of appreciation and tick them as due fit.

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Conclusion

All the reasons you may have-however valid-for not being successful are just but excuses. Success in anything is attainable at will. You can be a success if you want to be. It is good to know that laziness is one of the greatest causes of failures in this life. People have always been lazy to work/act in order to improve their situations. However worst of all are those people who are lazy to think. Nothing can come from such. For thought is the origin of all there was, is and is to be.

In this life, there must be order of things. We must always have specifications of things in order for everything to go correctly. If you move towards an unspecified destination in an unspecified direction over an unspecified period of time in an unspecified speed you will be totally lost.

The purpose of this scheme is to show you the direction to take towards your chosen destination. Your following this guide and the commitment you give to your set goal will determine the accomplishment of the same and the speed of the achievement. It's that simple. It was never hard.

On attaining your success, help others that need direction to their success. By this, you will improve our society and hence the world.

May you achieve all your success!

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