

I variant.

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THE POWER OF POSITIVE THINKING

Positive thinking is a practice which requires your certain mental attitude. Someone who has a positive thinking always foresees happiness, good health, success, and a positive outcome of almost every situation and event t h a t takes place. A person with a positive thinking expects that things will always work out and they often do. When you have a positive thinking, you easily find answers to even the most complex problems and challenges.

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Before you can work out a positive thinking pattern, you first have to realize t h a t positive thinking is not something you do from time to time. Positive thinking is a practice, one that you work with daily and apply regularly. By making it a daily habit you create a positive thinking mindset that allows you to avoid potentially negative and challenging situations, and helps you to resolve dilemmas quickly and easily.

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You will attract what you think about regularly. So if you believe that life is difficult, you will attract situations that will make your life difficult. Thus you should start paying close attention to what you think. Every day catch yourself thinking, ask yourself — what am I thinking about? Is this thought positive or negative? Does it help me to improve my life or does it make my life more difficult?

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While they will help to develop a positive thinking pattern, it can take some time to see real results from reciting positive affirmations repeatedly. That's because it depends on what you want and where you are in life. To create a positive thinking mindset, your positive affirmations should be said daily, should be in the present tense, and should be said in your voice. Working with affirmation CDs is also helpful.

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See yourself succeeding at what you want to achieve. This will help to boost the results of your affirmations and develop a stronger positive thinking pattern. When you visualize, your subconscious associates the image with the affirmation and helps you to achieve the success you want sooner.

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When you're positive, when you have a positive thinking mindset and when you work with positive affirmations daily, you begin to spread the positive emotions. When this happens, you naturally begin to attract positive people and positive situations into your life.

- A. Spread the Positive Energy
- B. Create Positive Thoughts that Lead to a Positive Thinking Mindset
- C. We Are All Connected
- D. Visualize Your Success
- E. Involve Your Friends and Family
- F. How to Develop Positive Thinking
- G. These Changes Won't Happen Overnight.
- H. Results with Positive Thinking and Affirmation Can Vary

II. Put the verbs into the correct tenses.

1. Andy is tired because he (work) all day.
2. By 1960 most of Britain's old colonies (become) independent.
3. David broke his leg when he (ski) last week.
4. (you/have) a nice time in Rome?
5. (you/finish) your homework yet?
6. He (be) at his computer for six hours.
7. How long (she/have) that car?
8. How many people (die) in the fire yesterday?
9. I (not/know) much about art, but I like some artists.
10. If you won't distract me , I (learn) this poem by heart for two hours.

III. Write the essay on the topic ``Independent language learning has several advantages``.

II variant.

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SUCCESS

(1) _____ Regardless of your definition of success, most people would agree that success starts with your thoughts, your ideas and your beliefs — in other words, your mind. The understanding that the source of success is contained in something as abstract as thoughts and ideas can be both exciting and frightening at the same time. It is a great feeling to realise that with the power of your mind alone you can achieve anything you want, and you can reach the success that you desire. On the other hand, ideas and thoughts are somewhat intangible — they quickly come and go away.

Is success something that can be obtained or lost as easily as a thought that passes through your head in an instant? I think the answer can be «yes» and «no».

(2) _____ These are the beliefs, the habits, the behaviour, and all the other details of the mind that make up the core of who you are. Knowledge, skills and abilities are other components of your mind that have a somewhat permanent character. However, some knowledge and skills can lose their strength if not put to practice, and new skills and knowledge can be gained through study, practice and experience. A person's beliefs, habits, personalities, knowledge, skills and abilities are important components of success that will not disappear or be lost in a passing moment.

(3) _____ These are the ideas that flash through your head in a moment of inspiration. Most people don't pay much attention to these temporary thoughts when your mind reveals to you something that could result in a good opportunity.

(4) _____ Successful people understand the importance of spending time doing high-level thinking. You should plan to have a time period for at least 30 minutes to one hour each day when you are alone and your mind is free from fuss and disorder. Use this time to let your mind flow and reveal to you the interesting ideas which you may dismiss when you are busy with other things. When those thoughts come to you, don't reject them. Let them fill your mind with the possibilities and with your dreams of success, unrestricted by any constraints.

(5) _____ You never know when great ideas will pop in your head. Therefore, it is very important that you always carry with you a notebook and pen to write down your ideas as soon as they come to you. This notebook can also be very useful for writing down observations that will help you become successful. If you run into a successful person that you admire, write down the habits and qualities, or anything else about this person. If you observe something that is done with excellence, or high quality, be it a product or a service, write it down. Fill your notebook with lessons learned, conclusions you have reached, resolutions you have made, goals you have established, observations you have made, and just anything that will help you fix your thoughts around success.

- A. Start a blog.
- B. Some of your thoughts and ideas are rather stable and permanent in nature.
- C. Success is in your mind.
- D. Care about the others.
- E. Do something useful.
- F. Take time to think.
- G. Get into the habit of writing.
- H. However, there are thoughts and ideas which are usually temporary.

II. Put the verbs into the correct tenses.

1. I (receive) a postcard from Jane yesterday.
2. I (correct) all morning, I'm exhausted.
3. I (never/be) sailing, what's it like?
4. It was late. Most of the shops (close)
5. It (rain) when I got up this morning.
6. Janet (start) a new job in September.
7. Nelly (have)..... a great time in New York at the moment.
8. She was cooking dinner when we (arrive)
9. She (just/come) back from a Mediterranean cruise.
10. We will be exhausted unless we (make up) the plan of the learning of the topic.

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