

STUDENTS THAT SUCCEED:

Scripting for academic success

**“It’s fun to make new discoveries
and find patterns within ambiguity.”**

**“Nothing is really difficult
if broken into chunks of the right size.”**

**“I’m not afraid of failing
because eventually I’ll get it right.”**

**“Every task is doable
given adequate time.”**

**With attitudes like these
even “ordinary” students
can generally succeed:**

**if we consider learning
as creative play
and become passionate about
what we are doing today
success is merely
a matter of time:
setbacks are
invitations for reflection
not dismay.**

Melissa: (shaking her head) Is success really just a matter of attitude?

Tim: Well, according to Norman Vincent Peale, Dale Carnegie, and Zig Ziglar and many other authors, attitude plays a big role.

Satoru: I don't think "success" can be described by a single simple formula because of the diversity of human talent and fact that success itself can be defined in so many different ways.

Liao: (nodding) For sure. Most schools probably define "success" too narrowly: a high score on a competitive exam that usually focuses on verbal and mathematical skills. Success in life generally is something entirely different.

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