REMARKABLE TIME MANAGEMENT 10 STEPS TO MORE TIME FOR YOU!

"Don't tell me the sky is the limit when there are footprints on the moon." - Paul Brandt



WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?

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#10 THE LITTLE TRAIN THAT COULD

I THINK I CAN ... I THINK I CAN. LEARNING TO SAY "NO" ... nicely

#9 THE BASEBALL THEORY

MAJORING in the MINORS? Goal Setting – a Vital Skill!

Setting goals develops direction/Helps to focus our energy/ Helps us to accomplish more.

PERSONAL/PROFESSIONAL GOALS:

List four benefits that you would enjoy as a result of attaining these major goals:

1)	
2)	
3)	
4)	

About these goals:

- ▲ What is the current status?
- ▲ What knowledge do you need?
- ▲ Who can help you?
- ▲ When will you accomplish this goal?

Now that we have identified our goals - how do find time for them?

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#8 EAT A FROG FOR BREAKFAST!

"Lose an hour in the morning, and you will spend all day looking for it." ~ Richard Whately

- ▲ The daily TO DO list.
- ▲ Do the tough tasks first.
- A Break projects into smaller tasks.
- ▲ Work/Study at a high energy time.
- Learn/Be productive EVERYWHERE!
- ▲ Get organized!

The "TO DO" list

- A Things that you must do (Vital/important/urgent).
- B Must do but are not urgent.
- C "Nice but not necessary."
- D Delegate/Outsource (Find a specialist).
- E Eliminate (Bless and release!).

Efficiency - Your Desk Checklist

- ➡ Do I use it everyday?
- ◆ "To be filed" Folder.
- ✤ "To do TODAY" folder.
- "Just do it" folder (this one seems to solve itself).
- ➡ Read and Clip folder.
- If visual file rack on desk to keep projects "top of mind."

Efficiency - Personal

- Packing (vacation/business checklists).
 Leave the list in your suitcase.
- ➡ Grocery list/staples.
- Conference/Event Timelines.
- Don't check your keys in your luggage!
- ◆ ??? Custom design list for your lifestyle.

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#7 FRITO BANDITO!

- Make appointments with yourself.
- Block activities with your family as if it were a meeting.
- Date your "spouse!"
- Know when you are at your best and energetic and plan accordingly!

#6 BUILD A FOUNDATION OF GOOD WORK HABITS

- Focus Clarity concerning the desired results.
- ▲ Concentration –Stay with a task until it is 100% complete.

#5 GOTTA MINUTE?

- ▲ Time Traps.
- Procrastination.
- Distraction.
- \land Lengthy phone calls.
- ▲ Hallway conversation.
- Unexpected visitors.

#4 PROCRASTINATE LATER!

Is it just me???

The "deadline inspired" RUSH of adrenalin!

If you will do it later - why wouldn't you do it now? This Applies to:

- Projects.
- ▲ Deadlines.
- Achievements.
- Education.
- 🔺 Hobbies.

What is the source/sources of procrastination?

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Procrastination Avoidance Strategies:

- ▲ The Power of Positive Thinking do not doubt yourself you can do it!
- Later 'gator? Later means it is not going to happen!
- No pain no gain! Stop and acknowledge the gain/the achievement.
- 🔺 Be clear a vague goal gets a vague result.

#3 DELEGATE WITH ENCOURAGEMENT

It is only as we develop others that we permanently succeed.

How to delegate?

- Pick people who can accept responsibility.
- Delegate in terms of the other persons skills and interests.
- Teach "why" (the purpose) not just the "what."
- Appreciate the personal touch/signature on a delegation.

Managing delegation

- Keep a list of items delegated.
- Assign priorities and a due date.
- Request a "weekly" progress report.

"It is better to get 10 people to work than to do the work of 10..."

#2 MANAGING DEADLINES

▲ Timelines.

Be prepared – there is a challenge around every corner.

Rx: Leave yourself flex times during the day.

#1 THE PARETO PRINCIPLE – 80/20

You can divide people and activities "vital few" vs. "trivial minutiae."

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TIME MANAGEMENT QUOTES

"Nothing begins until you START!" – Samuel Alofsin, age 12

"What one thing can I do today, that I don't want to do, but I know if I do it I will move toward my goal of _____?" Wake up and ask yourself the question. Then, whatever the answer is, schedule it and do it! Make it your top priority! You are extraordinary!" – Kristen Howe

"You must live in the present, launch yourself on every wave, find your eternity in each moment." – Henry David Thoreau

"Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday." – Don Marquis

"Don't wait. The time will never be just right." – Napoleon Hill

"If you want to make an easy job seem mighty hard, just keep putting off doing it." – Olin Miller



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