

Practical Happiness-2





Lesson 6

That man will pat you on the back, and then charge you for a massage.

- What is being implied about the man?
- Is there anything that's free?

Lesson 7

The self-made tycoon was expounding on the secret of his success. "I came to the conclusion that doing one's job wholeheartedly, to the best of one's ability, brings more satisfaction than the money one earns." "So you became rich after you convinced yourself of that? He was asked," "No" interrupted a rival businessman, "he got rich after he convinced his employees."

- Is anyone really "self-made"?
- What adjectives would you use to describe the tycoons character?
- Do you think the rival was being jealous or truthful?





Lesson 8

My father doesn't tell me how to live; he just lives and lets me watch him do it.

- What is Dad's teaching method?
- What did your parents teach you? How?
- Do you think being a good role model is easy?

Lesson 9

Though my mother never finished high school, she always placed a high value on education. When I got tired of school and though about quitting the "rat race", she reminded me that life itself is just one big rat race- but college teaches us which rat to bet on.

- According to the speaker, why is education important?
- Have you ever been tired of studying and wanted to quit?
- Is getting a university degree the only valid kind of education?

Lesson 10

Disability is a matter of perception. Even if you can do only one thing well, and nothing else, someone somewhere needs you.

- Do you have to be the best at something to do well?
- If your talent is very ordinary, do you still have value to others?
- Which is better, to be "a jack of all trades and master of none" or to concentrate on one skill and fail at everything else?