

### A Life of Learning

1. to use life's lessons – использовать жизненные уроки
2. to get rid of life's lessons—избавляться от жизненных уроков
3. to keep/to forget life's lessons—хранить/забывать жизненные уроки
4. to provide a lesson—преподнести кому-то урок
5. to draw a lesson—извлечь урок
6. to keep smth for a short/long time—хранить что-то недолго/долго
7. to come in handy—пригодиться
8. a quitter—человек без выдержки, тот, кто пасует перед трудностями
9. a loser—неудачник
10. to get smth. down and done—разделаться с чем-то
11. helpful hints—полезные намеки
12. to warn smb of smth—предупреждать кого-то о чем-то
13. to have good/bad self-image—иметь хороший/плохой имидж
14. to get older and wiser—становиться старше и мудрее
15. due to smth—благодаря чему-то
16. to worry about smth/doing smth—беспокоиться о чем-то
17. to have a good/bad influence on smth—иметь хорошее/плохое влияние на ...
18. the importance of smth/doing smth—важность чего-л.
19. to be angry/happy about smth—сердиться/радоваться по поводу
20. to lust smb's life time—продлевать чью-то жизнь
21. unexpected events—неожиданные события
22. fatal error—неисправимая ошибка
23. to correct/fix an error –исправить ошибку
24. to make smb a stronger person – сделать кого-то сильнее
25. to have much/little experience in doing smth/with smth—иметь много/мало опыта в чем-то

### Questions:

1. Who taught you many important life's lessons? What kind of lessons were those?
2. Have you ever taught anybody a life's lesson? Have you done it intentionally or accidentally?
3. Do you like to accept different pieces of advice or do you do everything on your own?
4. Do you agree with the statement that experience is the best teacher?
5. Is it possible to draw life's lessons from a stranger's errors?
6. Being a quitter is worse than being a loser. What do you think about this statement?
7. Do our life's lessons help us or do they hurt us? What weighs you down?
8. What was the scariest moment of your life?
9. What was the most wonderful moment of your life?
10. Do you regret anything you have done in your life?
11. Why are some people a success and others – losers?
12. What helps you to overcome disappointments?

**Quotations:**

“I am not what happened to me, I am what I choose to become.”

– C.G. Jung

“Given the choice between the experience of pain and nothing, I would choose pain.”

– William Faulkner, *The Wild Palms*

“Life is a succession of lessons which must be lived to be understood.”

– Ralph Waldo Emerson

“I have known the joy and pain of friendship. I have served and been served. I have made some good enemies for which I am not a bit sorry. I have loved unselfishly, and I have fondled hatred with the red-hot tongs of Hell. That's living.”

– Zora Neale Hurston

“I am glad that I paid so little attention to good advice; had I abided by it I might have been saved from some of my most valuable mistakes.”

– Edna St. Vincent Millay

“The road of excess leads to the palace of wisdom.”

– William Blake, *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell*

“The more sand that has escaped from the hourglass of our life, the clearer we should see through it.”

– Jean-Paul Sartre

“In the book of life, the answers aren't in the back.”

– Charlie Brown