

SEIZING OPPORTUNITIES

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(Please look below selected slides for discussion notes.)



**OPPORTUNITIES ARE
NEVER LOST;
SOMEONE WILL TAKE
THE ONES YOU MISS.
SEIZE THE MOMENT!**

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“... That prompt initiates the spark of an idea in our heads where it eventually barrels through into our forethought like an avalanche. Sometimes it can take months to gather the courage to go for it, sometimes it is only a matter of seconds.”

“Don’t say yes to everything, ..., saying yes to every opportunity will burn you out completely...”

Terrence Brown (2014)How To Take Advantage of Opportunities in Your Life.

<http://motivationgrid.com/take-advantage-opportunities-life>

“Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities.

Seize common occasions and make them great.”

- Orison Swett Marden

How do we make our opportunities?

Taking advantage of opportunities

Put yourself in positions where opportunities are more likely to arise. Networking is often key. Get together with people in your field, attend seminars and conferences, join professional organizations.

When networking, be ready to ask the right questions. The right questions lead you to the answers you will need to seize the opportunity presented. Practicing the questions beforehand to be better prepared. Next once you get all the answers you need to move on, it is time to take action.

**“OPPORTUNITY...
often it comes
disguised
in the form of
misfortune or
temporary defeat.”**

NAPOLEON HILL

**“Failure doesn’t come from falling down.
Failure comes from not getting up.” – *Unknown***

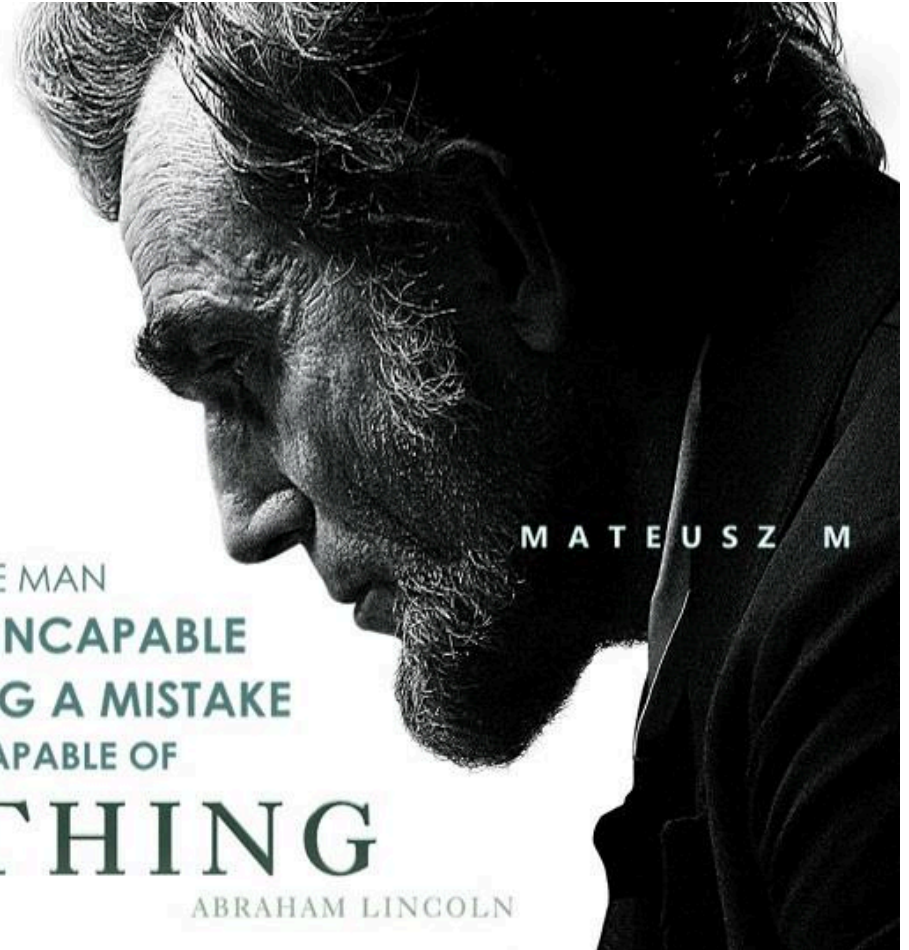
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**“Don’t worry about
failures, worry
about the chances
you miss when you
don’t even try.” – Jack**

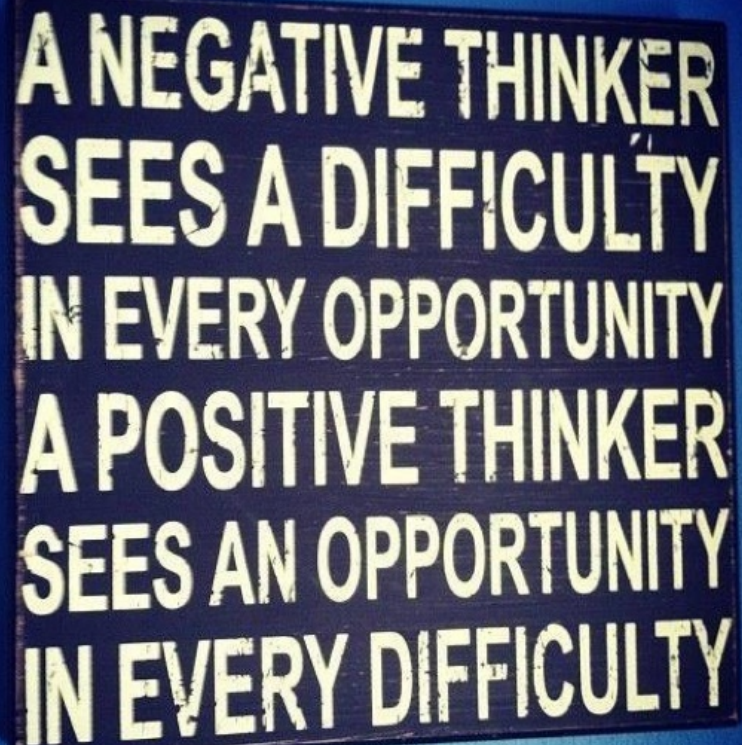
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THE MAN
WHO IS INCAPABLE
OF MAKING A MISTAKE
IS INCAPABLE OF
ANYTHING
ABRAHAM LINCOLN



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A wooden sign with white text on a blue background. The text is arranged in two paragraphs, each with four lines. The first paragraph reads: 'A NEGATIVE THINKER SEES A DIFFICULTY IN EVERY OPPORTUNITY'. The second paragraph reads: 'A POSITIVE THINKER SEES AN OPPORTUNITY IN EVERY DIFFICULTY'.

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WE ARE SO
ATTACHED TO
OUR WAY OF LIFE
THAT WE TURN
DOWN
OPPORTUNITIES
SIMPLY BECAUSE
WE DON'T KNOW
WHAT TO DO.

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Taking advantage of opportunities

1. Don't wait too long (opportunity is fleeting)
2. Take more risks
3. Keep a positive attitude
4. Get to know more people
5. Be curious
6. Focus (fit with goals)
7. Make decisions and stick with them

Embrace each challenge in
your life as an
opportunity for
self-transformation.

Bernie S. Siegel

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COMMITMENT

is that turning point
in your life when you

SEIZE THE MOMENT

and convert it into an
opportunity to

ALTER YOUR DESTINY.

- Denis Waitley

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