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There is no passion to be found playing small, in settling for a life that is less than the one you are capable of living.

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Questions, Reflections & Answers
Strategies to unleash your full potential and find a more meaningful life
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Nelson Mandela.
(1918 – 2013)
South African anti-apartheid activist and politician who served as the first president of South Africa from 1994 to 1999.

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IT NEEDS PASSION

If you could do one thing to transform your life, I would highly recommend finding something you're passionate about and doing it for a living. Learning to find your passion may not be as easy as it sounds, but it's worth the effort.

If you dread going to work, find yourself constantly lacking motivation, or find what you're doing boring and repetitive, it might be a good idea to start looking for a new job that matches your aspirations.

If you stay in your current job, not only will you feel stuck and unhappy, but you will not realize your full life potential.

Instead, imagine this.

You get up early, jumping out of bed, excited to go to work. You can put in more hours than the average person, but it doesn't seem difficult because you don't see the time spent.

You are often in this state of mind, often called « flow, » where you can lose track of space and time, getting lost in the task at hand.

Work is not seen in the ordinary sense, but as something fun, interesting, and exciting. It is not a « job, » but a passion that leads to a fulfilling life.



If you have a job that you don't like, or even hate, it will seem like a pretense. And if you never strive to find what you are passionate about, it will never be possible.

However, if you dare to ask how to find your passion, imagine the possibilities, and actually pursue what you love, because it's not just a possibility, but a probability.

How do you learn to find your passion in life?

Here are some suggestions:

1. *Is there anything you already like to do?* Do you have a hobby or like something you loved to do as a kid but never considered a job opportunity?

Whether it's reading comics, collecting something, crafting, or building, there's probably a way to do it for a living. If there's already something you love to do, you have a head start. Now all you have to do is look for the possibilities of making money from it.

2. *Discover your passion:* when you're passionate about something, read books and magazines about it and scour the internet for more. There may be a few possibilities that will emerge for you to find possible career paths.

Above all, do not close your mind to these subjects. Go through them until you've exhausted each topic and are happy with it. It will help you in your reflections to find your passion.

3. *Ask around:* the more possibilities you find, the more likely you are to learn how to find your long-term passion. It may mean that you spend time talking to friends and family, colleagues, or even acquaintances in your free time.
4. *Don't quit your job just yet:* if you find your calling, your passion, don't just hand in your resignation right away. It's best to keep your job while you investigate the possibilities.

If you can exercise your passion on the side and build up some income for a few months or a year, that's even better.

This gives you a chance to accumulate funds and if you are going into business, you will need this cash reserve.

Also, this period will allow you to obtain or strengthen the skills you will need.

5. *Try it out first:* it is best, to actually test your new idea before embarking on a career when you are still seeking confirmation that it is indeed your true and ultimate passion.

Do it first as a hobby or as a side job, to see if it's really your true calling.

You may be passionate for a few days, but are you sure?
If you're passionate for a logical period, you've probably found it.

6. *Never stop trying:* you may not be able to find your passion quickly. However, if you give up after a few days, you are sure to fail.



Keep trying, for months if necessary, and eventually you will find it. You may have thought you had found your passion but found out months later that it wasn't for you.

Start from scratch and find a new passion. There may be more than one passion in your life, so explore all the possibilities.

You have found your passion, but you have not managed to make a living from it?

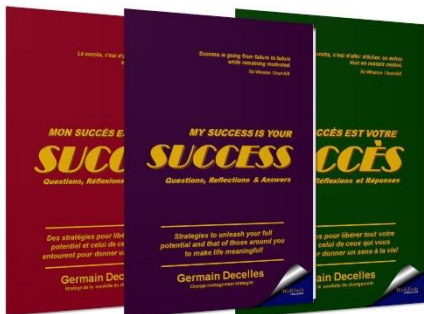
Keep trying and try again until you succeed.

Success doesn't come easily, so quitting early, is a sure way to fail.

The main thing, remember that all of this will take a lot of hard work, but it will be the best investment you've ever made to help you succeed and enjoy a meaningful life.

Take the time to learn how to find your passion and you will find that your days are more fulfilling and produce more happiness and long-term well-being.

Find out more about « the need for passion » with *My Success Is Your Success*. The book through questions, quotes and reflections provides the necessary elements to explore all about motivation so to shape your success and help those around you do the same. Remember that success is all about team efforts!



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