

Not many people know that Stephen King had initially failed at becoming a successful writer. He is now known as a master of horror, but he didn't start that way. What interests me about Stephen King's story is that he was an every-day person. He had a full time job as an English teacher while he was married and lived a normal quiet life.

Although he was this typical person with an average life, he also had an intense passion to write. He would sell short stories on the side while he was teaching English. This was his way of pursuing his dream. He finally accepted \$2,500 dollars to write his first novel, "Carrie", but it was rejected 30 times. He actually gave up on it after the 30th rejection, but fortunately his wife talked him into resubmitting it. This was when things turned around for him, and as we all know, Carrie has become one of his best selling books with 2 film adaptations.

I like Stephen King's story because it is very human to give up on your dreams when you feel as though you have failed. I have been in this position myself and it took many years for me to pick myself back up and try again. I'm currently in my second attempt at school and a better future. I think Stephen King is an inspiration to keep picking myself up after hardships and failures. I know that I will most likely fail again at certain things, but this time I'll have the strength to keep moving forward. Stephen King's Success is an inspiration and basis for my own success.

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