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The Last Lecture

The Last Lecture by Randy Pausch was a great lecture, indeed! I did identify with a few of his messages, the most important one being, “Be able to bring something to the table because it will make you more welcomed.” This really resonated with me. I hadn’t really thought in this mindset before, but now I want to go into every great opportunity I have thinking, “What am I good at that could be useful in this situation? What would make me, as an individual valuable?” The idea that being particularly good at something will make you more welcomed is something I just hadn’t thought of before, so I had kind of a light-bulb moment. Now, I will be more actively aware of what I can bring to the table in certain situations!

Another idea of his that really hit home with me was, “The brick walls are there to show how badly we want something. They are there to stop the people who don’t want something badly enough.” This is definitely something I hadn’t thought of before, either. I have been in the mindset of, “When will these brick walls be easier to climb?” I now see them In a whole new light. They are there to truly test you and how far you are willing to go to achieve your dreams. I am perfectly willing to climb over these brick walls, and actually appreciate them during the climb!