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Last Lecture Synopsis

I absolutely loved Randy Pausch's energy during this "Last Lecture." Though he only had a few months to live, he was still so positive and informative. His realistic approach to life is one that I really admire. Even dealt a terrible hand in life, he's discovered how to live each day to the fullest, while helping others find their path. One of my favorite parts about Pausch's lecture was how he twisted everything on the audience at the end. He says, "It's not about how to achieve your dreams. It's about how to lead your life. If you lead your life the right way, the karma will take care of itself. The dreams will come to you." And then immediately after this, he states that this talk wasn't for the audience, it was for his children. This really stuck with me as I thought it was the perfect way to wrap up such a moving lecture. Not only that but completely genius. Moving forward, I really identified with one of his last slides: Important Advice. He explains that you should be good at something—as it makes you valuable. You should work hard—if you want to achieve your dreams, you have to put in the effort. You should find the best in everybody—"You may have to wait a long time, sometimes years, but people will show you their good side... No one is all evil," he says. And finally, be prepared—Pausch explains that "Luck is truly where preparation meets opportunity." These four points really resonated with me because it truly is excellent advice. These are along the lines of how I would like to lead my life. Overall, Randy

Pausch's "Last Lecture" was incredibly insightful. He ended up really leaving a positive impression on me that I would like to try to instill in my day-to-day life.