

## 1. Learn from Failures

## Failure Is Our Friend

No one wants to fail. We all want to succeed in everything we try and to avoid failure. Nonetheless, failing and learning from our bitter experiences is necessary for success. In fact, the most successful people are often people who have experienced many more failures than others.

1) 실패에서 배움을 얻은 사례들 중 가장 유명한 사람은 Thomas Edison이다.

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He was one of the world's greatest inventors, and he acquired over 1,000 patents. Like a wizard, he seemed to take ideas from thin air. However, he also faced tremendous difficulties. Edison is said to have failed 9,999 times before creating a perfect light bulb.

2) 보통의 사람들과 달리, Edison은 이러한 실수를 실패로 보지 않았고, 발명 과정의 피할 수 없는 일부라고 보았다.

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3) 그의 실수들에 대한 질문의 대답으로, 그는 이렇게 말했다. “나는 9,999번을 실패한 것이 아니다. 나는 작동하지 않는 9,999번의 방법을 성공적으로 찾아낸 것이다.”

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Of course, he was right. He was able to achieve success after failing repeatedly.

4) 이러한 실패는 우리의 목표를 이루기 위한 성공적인 길을 찾도록 동기부여를 해줄 뿐만 아니라, 우리의 이해와 정신력이 성장할 수 있도록 도와준다.

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Toni Morrison began writing when she was in college, but she did not produce anything good enough to publish for many years.

5) 그녀의 힘들었던 결혼과 이혼, 그리고 혼자서 아이를 키우는 어머니의 삶은 그녀가 글쓰기를 더욱 어렵도록 만들었다.

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At 39, she published her first novel, *The Bluest Eye*, which received mixed reviews and did not sell well.

6) 그러나, 그녀의 모든 고난은 그녀의 소설에 깊이를 더했고 그녀의 글쓰기 능력을 향상시키도록 격려했다.

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Later in her life, Morrison wrote masterpieces such as *Song of Solomon*, *Beloved*, and *Jazz*. In 1993, she became the first African-American woman to receive the Nobel Prize in Literature.

Sometimes failure can lead us to success by showing us that we are not good at something. The fashion designer Vera Wang, for example, found a path to success, thanks to her failure.

7) 7세에 그녀는 올림픽에 출전하기를 바라면서 피겨 스케이팅에 전념했다.

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When she was 19, however, she failed to make the U.S. Olympic team and quit figure skating. She experienced a brutal letdown.

8) 파리에 있으면서, 그녀는 패션 디자인에 대한 열정과 재능을 발견하게 되었고, 그것은 그녀의 진로를 패션으로 옮기도록 했다.

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After returning to America, she started working as a salesperson in a clothing store. Developing her career from editor of a fashion magazine to design director for a global brand for about 20 years, she eventually ended up designing clothes on her own.

9) 오늘날, Vera Wang의 우아한 드레스는 전 세계의 유명인들이 찾는 세계적으로 유명한 디자이너이다.

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Still, wouldn't it be even better if we could be successful without ever failing? We may think so, but in the end, performing without failure doesn't necessarily produce lasting success.

10) 실패 없이 모두 성공하는 것은 종종 사람을 오만하고 부주의하게 만든다.

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As a result, the always successful person or organization could suddenly encounter a disaster.

11) 1960년대와 80년대 사이, 미국에서 우주의 조사와 탐사를 맡은 NASA는 주요한 실패 없이 연달아 임무들을 성공적으로 수행했다.

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In 1968, it launched Apollo 8, the first manned spacecraft to fly around the moon. In 1969, Apollo 11 landed on the moon, and the NASA astronaut Neil Armstrong became the first person in history to walk on the moon. During the following years, NASA successfully sent five other rockets to the moon.

12) 1970년, 달로 향하던 아폴로 13호의 산소 탱크가 폭발했을 때에도 선원 전체가 구조되었으며, 그들은 집으로 안전하게 돌아올 수 있었다.

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13) 이러한 연속적인 성공은 NASA의 의사결정권자를 너무 과신하도록 만들었고, 실패를 상상하기 어렵게 했다.

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In 1986, NASA planned to send its second space shuttle, Challenger, into orbit.

14) 발사 직전, 엔지니어들은 기술적인 결함에 대해 우려를 표했고 발사를 늦추자고 조언했다.

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However, NASA managers did not take their warnings seriously and launched Challenger as planned. Challenger broke apart 73 seconds after it was launched, resulting in the deaths of its seven crew members.

Edison, Morrison, and Wang all suffered big failures, but they never gave up. They learned from their mistakes and went on to experience even greater triumphs.

15) 다른 많은 성공적인 사람들처럼, 우리는 실패를 성공의 반대로 볼 것이 아니라 성공에 다다르기 위한 길에 있는 필수불가결한 단계라고 여겨야 한다.

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After all, the only way to avoid failures is to do nothing. J.K. Rowling said that suffering many failures in her life eventually enabled her to write the Harry Potter series.

16) 그녀는 “실패는 다른 방법으로는 배울 수 없었을 나 자신에 대한 것들을 가르쳐 주었습니다”라고 말했다.

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17) 실패를 감수하고 마주하는 것, 그리고 그로부터 배움으로써 우리는 더 현명하고 강해질 수 있다.

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## 정답

- 1) [정답] One of the most famous examples of someone who learned from failure was Thomas Edison.
- 2) [정답] Unlike the average person, Edison saw these mistakes not as failures but as an inevitable part of the invention process.
- 3) [정답] In response to a question about his errors, he once said, "I have not failed 9,999 times. I've successfully found 9,999 ways that will not work."
- 4) [정답] These failures can not only motivate us to find a successful way to accomplish our goal but also help us to grow in wisdom and in spirit.
- 5) [정답] Her troubled marriage, divorce, and life as a single mother made it even harder for her to write.
- 6) [정답] However, all her hardships added depth to her novels and encouraged her to improve her writing skills.
- 7) [정답] At the age of seven, she began devoting herself to figure skating, hoping to compete in the Olympics.
- 8) [정답] While staying in Paris, she happened to discover her passion for and talent in fashion design, which led her to move to fashion as a career.
- 9) [정답] Today, Vera Wang is a world-famous designer whose elegant dresses are sought after by celebrities the world over.
- 10) [정답] All success with no failure often leads a person to arrogance and carelessness.
- 11) [정답] Between the 1960s and the 1980s, NASA, the U.S. agency in charge of

researching and exploring space, completed one successful mission after another with no significant failure.

- 12) [정답] Even when the oxygen tank in Apollo 13 exploded on its way to the moon in 1970, its entire crew was rescued, and they were able to return home safely.
- 13) [정답] This continued series of successes made the decision-makers at NASA too self-assured and unable to imagine failure.
- 14) [정답] Right before the launch, engineers expressed concerns about mechanical malfunctions and advised that the launching be postponed.
- 15) [정답] Like many successful people, we should view failure not as the opposite of success, but as an indispensable step on the path to reach success.
- 16) [정답] She remarked, "Failure taught me things about myself that I could have learned no other way."
- 17) [정답] By risking and confronting failures and learning from them, we can become wiser and stronger.