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### Last Lecture Thoughts

I enjoyed the last lecture more than I thought I was going to. Overall, I feel like it had some good messages in there. I liked it when he said, “experience is what you get when you don’t get what you want.” It’s very relatable. Some of my most disappointing failures have led to some of my biggest breakthroughs in life— even though it wouldn’t seem like it at the time. Sometimes it takes trying and failing over and over again to get to your end goal. Which is why his other message of not giving up is so important. I really admired how much he tried and tried to approach the goal at hand in a lot of different ways until it worked. It’s way too easy to give up when things get difficult, but it’s so important to stick with it. How else are you going to learn? I also found it relatable when he talked about how football was the thing that gave him some of the most valuable lessons. Not because I play football. I do NOT play football. I think I would die if I did. It’s relatable because sometimes the most common activities that most people do can offer the most important pieces of advice. I tried playing a few different sports over the course of my life and I hated it so much, but I learned how important it is to be a team player and to have sportsmanship. Both are very valuable qualities to have. I also love that he brought into the picture that it’s crucial to have supportive people in your life that you can count on to cheer you on when things get rough. You can learn anything from anyone. I enjoyed the part where he

said to never lose your childlike wonder. When you're young, creativity and curiosity is at its peak. I think that adulthood likes to beat those qualities out of you over time. Without those two things though, it's harder to have hope, dreams, and problem solving skills.