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### Thoughts on the Last Lecture

I very much enjoyed Randy Pausch's lecture on chasing your childhood dreams. One point that really spoke to me was the idea that brick walls, whether they be your current circumstances or other people you encounter, exist to make you prove how badly you want something. With this mindset, you must consider roadblocks along your journey to be the motivation to prove your dedication, instead of a dead end to your dream.

The talking point that I related to the most was when Pausch said he benefitted the most from the dreams he did not accomplish. It is important to dream, even if that dream is never realized. We can use the experience and the feedback we receive while pursuing our dreams to become better people. In my own life, I have received opportunities that only existed because I was pursuing an idea of what I wanted to do in life. While that idea and dream for my future changed, I was able to grow as a person and feel fulfilled in a line of work I had not previously considered. Even though I did not accomplish that dream, it led me to become the person I am today. We are not meant for all our dreams to come true, but we should never stop dreaming.