**Last Lecture Reflection**

I think overall this was a pretty interesting lecture. It’s definitely the first of its kind I’ve seen, and it was a nice change. I enjoyed hearing about his childhood stories and the lessons he took from them. When I read the title of the lecture, I was a little confused as to why it was called that, I’d never heard of this guy before. And when he started with his cancer diagnosis and told the audience how much time he had left it was shocking. I wasn’t expecting him to start with that or talk about it at all. After hearing about how long he had left, only a few months, I was impressed by his attitude. He was very animated, making jokes, and overall keeping a light and fun mood as he talked. Not something I would expect with someone given only a few months to live. I think I was impressed because when most people are given such news, they become depressed or sort of spiral, but he seemed to have come to terms with his diagnosis or at least came to terms with it as much as he could.

When he goes on to talk about his childhood dreams and how’s the list it was pretty cool to see such a variety of things that you could tell a child dreamt up. It made me think about what dreams I had as a child. I can relate to the variety of dreams, I had no clue what I wanted to do as a child, let alone how I was going to do it. I think his overarching theme of go for your dreams really resonated with me. Once I had a dream, work for NASA coding, I could relate to his message. I’ve wanted this for a few years now and hearing about his experiences to achieve his dreams was inspiring to say the least. His first story about experiencing zero gravity was particularly cool. He wanted something and found a fairly round-about way to get it.

I think this was a really cool lecture to watch and had a lot of lessons that I took to heart and could relate to.