

The Master said,

At the age of fifteen my heart was set on learning;

By thirty, I was firmly established in it;

At forty, I had no more doubts;

By the time I reached fifty, I knew the will of Heaven;

At sixty, my ear was tuned (to the Way),

By seventy, I could follow the desires of my heart without  
stepping over the line.

*Lunyu 2.4*

子曰吾十有五  
而志于學三十而  
立四十而不惑五  
十而知天命六十而  
耳順七十而從心所  
欲不踰矩