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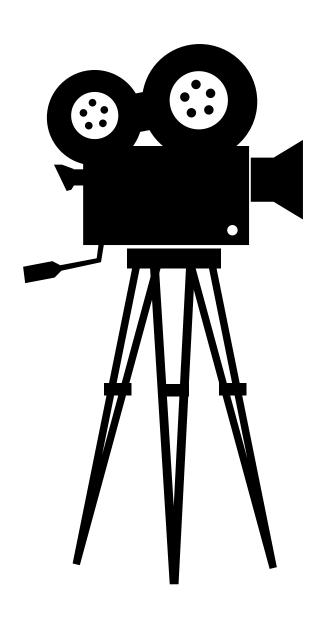


GRIT: THE POWER OF PASSION AND PERSEVERANCE

A SPEECH BY ANGELA LEE DUCKWORTH

Summary of the Video:

The video is about how IQ, social intelligence, family income, or talent is not the key to be successful, but rather grit, the ability persevere in any situation. It tells us that even if we don't have the talent nor the intelligence, we can still be successful as long as we work hard enough.



Speech Content:

The speaker started by telling her experiences while she was a teacher. She stated the different types of students she had encountered while she was a math teacher and told everyone about what she had perceived about the differences of those students. Furthermore, she explained and gave her interpretation about education and the basis for students. Afterwards, she told everyone about her experiences when she studied psychology and on how she discovers "grit" as a person's powerful motivation to achieve a goal or an objective.

The speaker said, "Grit is passion and perseverance for very long term goals." We need to strive hard for our dreams to become a reality. She also said that grit is not just for days, weeks or months, but for years. She started studying grit in the Chicago Public Schools. When she conducted an experiment, results show that grittier kids are more likely to graduate. Grit is significant because it is a driver of performance and success that exists independently of and beyond the contributions of talent and intelligence. Being naturally gifted and intelligent is wonderful, but in order to genuinely succeed and thrive, we must have the ability to persevere(Source). Grit matters for everyone, especially for kids at risk for dropping out. We can learn from the speech that perseverance is always important in your career. How can you be a successful person if you're not willing to work hard? The purpose of the speech is making people work harder for their dreams to become reality. The impact of the speech to the audience is making people strive hard for their career to be successful. The speaker was commendable for her speech because it was very meaningful.

The speaker talked about the data and reports her and her team have inquired so far regarding grit, then proceeds to give her conclusion about how growth mindset can help build grit in people, especially children. After that, she ends the speech by giving closing remarks to motivate and inspire the audience to be gritty.

Delivery Skills and Techniques



A competent speaker can deliver a speech in such a way that he or she communicates with the audience. In addition, a competent speaker can also draw the attention of its speaker no matter how challenging to deliver the topic is.

In the video presented, the speaker which is Angela Lee Duckworth can be considered as a competent speaker considering she possessed great delivery skills and techniques. In addition, the speaker was also vehement and confident making the speech more engaging and interesting. In analyzing the environment of the speaker, there are no provided visual aids that can actually help her in her speech but rather, she only utilized her body language which is using hand gestures. In the style of delivery by the speaker, she was able to dictate every sentence with emphasis. In this style, she wasn't rushing in dictating every word in the speech but rather, she emphasized every dictation which makes the audience understand the speech clearer. The speaker also utilized various tones to further express and elaborate the main point of the speaker in the speech. In addition, she also added her experiences in order to support her point and to make it realistic. And lastly, she was also able to use data collection specifically by using their data collected to display that there are many talented individuals who simply do not follow through on their commitments.

In conclusion, the speaker utilized various techniques with the skills she possessed. The various techniques she utilized made the speech more interesting and engaging. For instance, she utilized topic-related humor which granted the audience gratification. Thus, it made the speech interesting without the usage of visual aids which can actually enhance the efficiency and efficacy of the speech to the audience.

Bias/Prejudices

The speaker did not show bias since she conducted an experiment herself and it was proven and observed. What the speaker shared is the reality and the perspective that we should follow in which we need to look more at the motivation. That success comes to the people with passion and people with grit, perseverance, having that stamina and hard work. So, the speaker did not show bias since she proved that being gritty makes the person be more persevere when they fail and do things with effort. It is the reality of what people need to understand when it comes to measuring the success of a person.



TED Talk Review:

Yes, because it can serve as their motivation. Some may feel like they're not good enough because of their grades. Some may struggle to learn. Some may feel like they're hopeless because they're not smart and talented. This video can inspire them because it lets them know that talent and intelligence are not everything. You can still achieve good grades if you work hard enough. If you struggle in learning, ask someone for help. Times might be tough but if we persevere we can all reach our goals one day. That's the power of grit.