



## FLUENCY BOOSTER

Here are the answers but there are always different ways of answering. Don't try to be perfect. Use this lesson many times. If you want to improve your speaking you need to speak a lot!

"I've missed more than 9,000 shots in my career"

**How many shots did he miss? He missed 9,000 shots.**

"I've lost almost 300 games."

**How many games did he lose? He lost almost 300 games.**

"26 times I've been trusted to take the game winning shot...and missed."

**How many times did he miss the game winning shot? He missed the game winning shot 26 times.**

"I've failed over and over and over again in my life...and that is why I succeed."

**Did he fail one time in his life? No, he didn't fail one time in his life. He failed over and over again in his life.**

Michael Jordan was one of the

greatest athletes of all time, but like all great people, he also failed regularly.

**Who was one of the greatest athletes of all time? Michael Jordan was one of the greatest athletes of all time. Did he always win? No, he didn't always win. He failed regularly.**

Watching Michael Jordan play basketball was like watching a man fly.

**How can you describe Michael Jordan's style of playing basketball? Watching Michael Jordan play basketball was like watching a man fly.**

His grace and talent were unmatched. Clearly he had a lifetime of training and incredible natural talent, but these weren't the only things that made him great.

**Did Michael Jordan have a lot of training? Yes he had a lifetime of training. Did he have natural talent? Yes, he had incredible natural talent.**

He also had a healthy relationship with failure.

**Did he have a healthy relationship with failure? Yes, he had a healthy relationship with failure.**

Like many greats in sports and business, he wasn't discouraged by failure. The shots he missed and the games that he lost didn't make him give up.  
**Did he give up? No, he didn't give up.**

He knew that failure was just another chance for him to improve.  
**What did Michael Jordan think about failure? He thought that failure was just another chance for him to improve.**

Many highly successful people in the world of sports and business have this healthy relationship with failure.



**What kind of relationship do many successful people have with failure?**  
**Many successful people have a healthy relationship with failure.**

One of the world's most famous inventors, Thomas Edison made thousands of attempts at creating a light bulb.

**How many attempts did Thomas Edison make at creating a light bulb?**  
**Thomas Edison made thousands of attempts at creating a light bulb.**

He tried hundreds of materials for the light bulb filament, but there was always

a problem.

**How many materials did he try for the light bulb filament? He tried hundreds of materials for the light bulb filament.**

Some would burn out. Others would explode. Some would melt the glass.

**What happened to the materials? Some would burn out. Others would explode. Some would melt the glass.**

There were always problems, but he never gave up and he never saw his failure as a failure. He just saw it as a step towards success.

**How did Edison see failure? He saw failure as a step towards success.**

Edison once said, "I have not failed.

I have merely found 10,000 ways that won't work."

**What did Edison say? Edison said, "I have not failed. I have merely found 10,000 ways that won't work."**

This attitude of seeing failure as a learning experience helped him persevere.

**What helped him persevere? The attitude of seeing failure as a learning experience helped him persevere.**

This way of thinking eventually led him to Japan, where he found a kind of bamboo, which was the perfect material for his light bulb invention.

**Where did he find the perfect material for the light bulb filament? He found the perfect material for the light bulb filament in Japan.**

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