



OF SUCCESS

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ABSTRACT:

Manners reveal character. Similarly, from the exposure of success mentality of a person can be judged. Face is the mirror of man. Good success brightens the face. Ill success enriches darkness with frugality.

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INTRODUCTION

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform, rather it reveals. So it bears no reference. The best creative writing is critical, and the best critical writing is creative. This article is an outcome of thinking about creative writing meant for a general readership. As such, I have adopted a free style methodology so that everyone can enjoy the pleasure of reading. As you might know, Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal essayist, wrote many essays namely 'Of Love', 'Of Friendship', 'Of Ambition', 'Of Studies', and so on. The multiple-minded genius correctly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be used as themes for essays. But little has been done since his death to continue or finish his monumental task. Bacon's unique individual style of presentation ignited my imagination and encouraged me to write creative essays as a method of relieving a wide range of emotions through catharsis.

ARTICLE

Success is the achievement of a desired aim, or of fame, wealth or social position. For example: He is hoping to make a success of the business. The race ended in success for i.e. was won by the Irish horse. I have not had much success in finding a job.

Success is the favourable or prosperous termination of attempts or endeavours. It is a successful performance or achievement. It is original result. It is a successful person.

Success is fortune either good or bad. It is upshot now obsolete. It is prosperous progress, achievement, or termination. It is prosperity. It is attainment of wealth, influence or acclaim. It is a succession now obsolete. Outcome is obsolete of success.

Success is a favourable or satisfactory outcome e.g. their efforts met with success. It is the attainment of wealth, fame, rank or position e.g. spoilt by success. It is a thing or

person that turns out well. Archaeologically, it is a usual specified outcome of an undertaking e.g. ill success.

Success is favourable outcome, accomplishment of what was aimed at, attainment of wealth or fame or position e.g. have inquired for it without success; military success; spoilt by success.

Success is a person or thing that turns out well e.g. the experiment is a success; was a great success as a bishop. He was not a success as a teacher. He sacrificed all his finer feelings at the altar of success. The Ayurvedic treatment was a great success. As a teacher he was a success, but not as a researcher.

Nothing succeeds like success, is an idiom, means success breeds further success. It means one success leads to others. Similarly one failure leads to series of failures. Multi organ failure leads to defunct thereby death.

A roaring success, is an idiom, means something that is very successful. .

Successful is resulting in success. It is achieving, having achieved, or having, the desired effect or termination. Specifically, it is having attained wealth, position, fame. Honour or the like. It is resulting in or attended with success e.g. a successful businesswoman/career/plan; My final attempt to fix it was successful.

Successful is coming about, taking place, or turning out to be as was hoped for e.g. a successful mission. It is with promise of success.

Success story is a person's rise from poverty etc. to wealth or fame. It is a person whose life has been a success story. For example: Her rapid rise to the top has been one of the film industry's most remarkable success stories. Success story has didactic value. It offers moral lesson to the school children. It enriches the tender innocent soul. It enlightens with moral values the chief and most precious ingredients

of an elevated character. Thus it builds career. It encourages a frustrated person to think for a new dawn.

Someone gets success easily. She/he is lucky. Someone cannot welcome success at all. She/he is unlucky. Then what is the definition of success? The reply is difficult. The reply is different. The reply is different more rather than difficult. It varies person to person.

Someone is happy with classical success. Someone is happy with commercial success. Both are perceptions diagonally opposite with each other. This desire discloses the true identity of the concerned person. Someone is happy with the cocktail of both classical and commercial outcome.

Someone is glad with little or whatever he gets. To him little is great success. In contrast, someone is not happy with much. To him much even robust amount implies little success. He is always unhappy. Unhappiness is his democratic right. He enjoys it. He nurtures it.

One hankers after power just like self-actualization. He wants to show power to get it. He wants to show power after getting it. Thus he shows power before and after getting it.

To someone money is all and everything. To a hungry stomach food is success. Palatable continental dish is great success. Having full stomach hobby becomes next success. Some person says success is third party's praise. What they say is the yard-stick or evaluation of success.

To someone self-satisfaction is success. To someone public opinion is success, just like wining of the leader in any election. Same success satisfies different persons differently in different degrees and dimensions as well. One's success may not be considered success at all to another person. It is called personality trait.

A person can be satisfied through feeding. Stomach has limited capacity. After full stomach the greedy person declines to eat further. But desire of mind is sky-kissing. The quench of thirst for wealth is unlimited.

Greed leads to ruin. A wise knows it. As such, the learned seldom hankers after mundane gain. A fool does not know it. So, it always runs after money which it considers sweeter than honey. A wise has only thirst for knowledge. Knowledge is infinite. The learned is engaged in study and thinking round the clock round the year. He seldom wastes any time. He knows time and tide wait for none. He laments for his infinitesimal little knowing in comparison with vast knowledge. Here lies his uniqueness.

They say, a politician thinks for self. But the patriot thinks for all. He sacrifices self to free his country from the tyrants. Here lies his greatness. That's why he is great.

Food, cloth and shelter are three basic needs. When a person gets food he wins first success. With the getting of cloth he gets second success. When a person gets shelter he welcomes third success. He who gets these three basic needs is very lucky. But the irony is that very few persons are lucky. After achieving these three basic needs man thinks for hierarchy needs. These extra needs thus

achieved offer additional status to the concerned person. Some persons are dangerously ambitious. But a lazy person is afraid of ambition.

Success has two outcomes. Either, the person may be more motivated for better success or the person may be the victim of proud and give up hard work. The second category of person becomes diverted. Such a student if makes good result in the lower class examination then he thinks that he knows all and everything. He loses his emotional brake. Then he neglects his study. As a result, he fails successfully in the next higher examination. So success has its bad effect. It has side effect too.

A person may get lottery. Here luck favours. Here success comes from fortune. This sudden kick of success has two outcomes depending upon the status of the lucky person. If the person is poor he loses emotional brake at once. He is whisked away from the reality. As such he spends lavishly. He enjoys what he could not enjoy earlier for want of money. He drinks life to the lees. Thus he cannot hold money for long due to lack of experience. If the poor person is intelligent then he can keep the money in the safe custody.

In case of a rich person such sudden jerk of luck hardly can bewilder him as is usually happens in case of penniless person. Such a rich person invests money properly for its multiplication. The enriched blessed person knows where to invest, when to invest and how to invest and withdraw accordingly for its judicious reinvestment. Thus single fortune paves for multiple future fortunes. The rich becomes richer. But the poor becomes poor again. Here lies the difference of culture and intellect between poor and rich.

A lucky person gets more than expected. Unlucky person gets less always than expected. Thus success is whimsical and partial as well. So difference between the two is much and increases as time passes. It is fortune that directs and dictates the rise and fall of human being from cradle to coffin. None knows the whims of luck. None knows whether he will be rewarded or punished severely.

A poor person curses himself for sad luck. A lazy person does not work to remove its poverty. A rich person works hard to earn more. People envy a rich person. But hardly can they imagine how much labour a rich gives for prosperity. Lazy persons will not work. But they criticize round the clock untiringly. In fact he, who can, does. He who cannot criticizes.

For a single post success to someone is the cause of failure to the other. In every class of an educational institution there are first boy and second boy. 1st boy passed successfully to be first. It means 2nd boy passed but failed simultaneously to be first. Thus success to someone may be the cause of failure to the other for the single vacancy. To avoid this sentimental complicacy the post and portfolio of joint secretary, joint winner have been introduced. This is done to console thereby manage the ambitious persons. The rivalry becomes severe if the contesting candidates are politically ambitious.

After termination of any venture outcome is measured. It may either be success or failure. There is no substitute of success. Success itself is its substitute. It offers strength. It paves the way to acquire stamina for next success.

In case of failure at the moment one must wait and occupy himself only with small things. Later on, the person will be able to be victorious but one must not display this too much. One should use this period to analyze everything and be prepared to the best of the ability for the future.

Someone bursts into laughter in case of success. Someone loses nerve and becomes faint in case of failure. A wise seldom exposes or expresses his joy lest the defeated or unfortunate person is hurt. Joy is alias and akin to pride. Pride goes before a fall. The learned is quite indifferent to both success and failure. No event either can touch or influence him. The elevated soul is unique in this way.

In case of positive success heaven i.e. sky is the limit. In case of negative success hell is the limit of downfall. Success of any kind encourages the fortunate to attain next success. He intends to attain better than best. In case of positive status man shines more. In case of negativity man has to meet ultimate and untimely destruction. This is his inevitable destiny.

Success becomes captive only in the hand of brave who works hard. To a lazy person, who works hardly, success is a matter of far off land. A fool or a lazy person seldom works. They always blame others for not getting success. They are avoided for continuous nagging.

CONCLUSION

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