

# The Crucial Decision Warren Buffett Believes Shapes Your Success or Failure in Life

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Warren Buffett. Photo: Getty Images.

Buffett's take on lifelong success could be the decision that will shape your entire future.

In a world where success is often equated with financial achievements, status, and prestigious job titles, Warren Buffett offers a unique perspective: true success lies in the relationships we nurture.

According to Buffett, "Basically, when you get to my age, you'll really measure your success in life by how many of the people you want to have love you actually do love you."

These words underscore the importance of genuine, reciprocal love in our lives. Buffett's insight transcends material wealth and accolades, emphasizing the significance of meaningful connections that create a sense of fulfillment and purpose.

For entrepreneurs and leaders, prioritizing love and relationships may seem unconventional in a society that values material success. However, Buffett suggests that the true essence of life lies in the quality of relationships, rather than external markers of achievement.

# **Leading with Authenticity**

Authentic leadership is rooted in cultivating relationships that foster personal growth and fulfillment for both individuals and teams. By investing in understanding and supporting their team members, leaders can create a culture of trust and empathy, leading to mutual success.

Building strong, meaningful relationships is a cornerstone of effective leadership. Success is not a solitary pursuit; it is a collaborative effort that thrives on the support and love of those around us.

# **Nurturing Relationships**

Amidst hectic professional responsibilities, it is vital to prioritize authentic connections. Strategies such as being present, practicing gratitude, setting boundaries, investing quality time, and prioritizing empathy can enhance the quality of relationships in both personal and professional domains.

# **Legacy of Compassion**



Reflecting on Buffett's wisdom, success is ultimately measured by the impact we have on others and the love we receive in return. As you navigate your professional journey, remember that the relationships you cultivate will define your legacy.

### **Vocabulary List:**

- 1. Relationships /rɪˈleɪ[ən[ɪps/ (noun): The way in which two or more people or groups regard and behave toward each other.
- 2. Authenticity /ˌɔ:θenˈtɪsəti/ (noun): The quality of being genuine or real; not false or copied.
- 3. Cultivating /'kʌltɪveɪtɪŋ/ (verb): To promote the growth or development of; to nurture.
- 4. **Empathy** /'εmpəθi/ (noun): The ability to understand and share the feelings of another.
- 5. Legacy /ˈlɛgəsi/ (noun): Something handed down by a predecessor; a lasting impact on the future.
- 6. Fulfillment /fʊl'fɪlmənt/ (noun): The achievement of something desired promised or predicted; a sense of satisfaction.

# ESL-NEWS.COM **Comprehension Questions**

#### **Multiple Choice**

- 1. According to Warren Buffett, how does he measure success in life?
  - Option: By the number of material possessions acquired
  - Option: By the number of prestigious job titles held
  - Option: By how many of the people you want to have love you actually do love you
  - Option: By the level of financial achievements attained
- 2. What is emphasized as the significance of meaningful connections according to Buffett?
  - Option: Material wealth and accolades
  - Option: Genuine, reciprocal love Option: Prestigious job titles Option: Financial achievements
- 3. What does Buffett suggest is the true essence of life for entrepreneurs and leaders?
  - Option: Material success
  - Option: External markers of achievement
  - Option: Prestigious job titles



Option: Quality of relationships

4. What does authentic leadership focus on according to the text?

Option: Acquiring material possessions

Option: Cultivating relationships for personal growth

Option: Attaining prestigious job titles

Option: Financial achievements

5. What is highlighted as a cornerstone of effective leadership?

Option: Achieving success alone

Option: Healthy competition within the team Option: Building strong, meaningful relationships Option: Focusing solely on financial achievements

6. According to the text, what enhances the quality of relationships in personal and professional domains?

Option: Competing with team members

Option: Being present, practicing gratitude, setting boundaries, investing quality time, and prioritizing

empathy

Option: Keeping personal and professional life separate
Option: Prioritizing individual success over teamwork

#### **Answer**

**Multiple Choice:** 1. By how many of the people you want to have love you actually do love you 2. Genuine, reciprocal love 3. Quality of relationships 4. Cultivating relationships for personal growth 5. Building strong, meaningful relationships 6. Being present, practicing gratitude, setting boundaries, investing quality time, and prioritizing empathy

# Vocabulary quizzes

#### Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which term describes a process that leads to significant and fundamental change?

Option: Resilience
Option: Fulfillment
Option: Transformative
Option: Aspiration

2. Which term refers to the ability to understand and share the feelings of others?



Option: Cognitive Option: Empathy Option: Recognition Option: Aspiration

3. What term describes the ability to guide and inspire others towards a common goal?

Option: Legacy Option: Leadership **Option: Productivity** Option: Commitment

4. Which word is used to describe the impact or contributions left behind for future generations?

Option: Legacy Option: Symbiotic Option: Fulfillment Option: Tranquility

5. Which term is associated with the efficiency and output of work or tasks completed? NEWS.CC

Option: Hazardous Option: Productivity Option: Recognition Option: Bioaccumulate

6. What term describes the connections and bonds between individuals or entities?

Option: Obligatory Option: Relationships Option: Perception Option: Contamination

7. Which term denotes the presence of unwanted or harmful substances in an environment?

Option: Cognitive Option: Contamination Option: Hazardous Option: Authenticity

8. Which term refers to a particular method or way of doing something?

Option: Nuance Option: Technique Option: Aspiration Option: Transformative

9. What term describes the acknowledgment or appreciation of someone's efforts or achievements?

Option: Recognition



Option: Commitment
Option: Strategies
Option: Cultivating

10. Which term refers to a strong desire or ambition to achieve something great?

Option: Fulfillment Option: Strategy Option: Aspiration Option: Innovators

#### Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

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21. The chemical spill was labeled as due to its potential dangers to human health and the environment.



- 22. are innovative individuals who take risks to establish and grow their own businesses.
- 23. Toxins in the environment can in the tissues of living organisms posing long-term health risks.
- 24. are known for introducing new ideas or methods that lead to positive change in society.
- 25. Public of an individual's achievements can boost morale and motivation.
- 26. A relationship is one where two parties benefit mutually from each other's actions.
- 27. One's of a situation can greatly influence their response and decision-making.
- 28. Education has the power to be changing lives and shaping futures.
- 29. The rain showers provided relief from the heat without causing too much disruption.
- 30. Effective involves inspiring and guiding others towards shared goals.

#### **Answer**

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Transformative 2. Empathy 3. Leadership 4. Legacy 5. Productivity 6. Relationships 7. Contamination 8. Technique 9. Recognition 10. Aspiration

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Resilience 12. Auhenticity 13. Strategies 14. Nuance 15. Cultivating 16. Legacy 17. Tranquility 18. Commitment 19. Dilemma 20. Productivity

**Matching sentence:** 1. Hazardous 2. Entrepreneurs 3. Bioaccumulate 4. Innovators 5. Recognition 6. Symbiotic 7. Perception 8. Transformative 9. Intermittent 10. Leadership

#### **CATEGORY**

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