

Words of Inspiration

LETTERS FROM LEADERS

The road to success: What inspiration would you offer to young people aspiring to become our future leaders? The following words are some of those we have collected for publication in a book to be distributed to aspiring leaders at schools throughout the world. The proceeds will be donated to charity to fund scholarships for tomorrow's leaders in need of financial support as they prepare to begin their journey.

We are certain that you will enjoy the following thoughts and look forward to hearing yours.

*B*e self-confident. Never give up. Always have a plan. Remain firmly committed to your goals and values, even if you encounter some opposition. And don't let yourself be discouraged if a particular project doesn't work. And, if I may say this as a "child of European enlightenment": Stick to Kant's "Categorical Imperative: Act so that the maxim of your action may be capable of becoming a universal law for all rational beings."

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