

60 SECONDS CHIEF

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| <p>One teacher I remember, and why.</p> | <p>Robert Shanon, Computer Simulation Prof. We started a business based on his course.</p> | <p>Ms Rita, a primary teacher, for inculcating the values.</p> | <p>All my teachers - as they made me what I am today.</p> | <p>Poorna Chandra Rao (+2), for patience.</p> | <p>Fr Leo D'Souza, my biotechnology professor at St Aloysius, for showing me the way.</p> |
| <p>One most valuable work lesson, thus far.</p> | <p>Listen to inputs from anyone; valuable ideas can be anywhere.</p> | <p>Do your best.</p> | <p>There is so much more to achieve.</p> | <p>The devil is in the detail.</p> | <p>A clear objective and hard work will take you where you want to go.</p> |
| <p>One thing I look for the most in a new recruit.</p> | <p>Being upfront about what they do know and what they don't.</p> | <p>Positive attitude.</p> | <p>Is he/she passionate about what he/she wants to do.</p> | <p>Attitude.</p> | <p>Honesty.</p> |
| <p>One thought from a book that I am currently reading.</p> | <p>"Growing Pains" by Eric Flamholtz on developing entrepreneurship.</p> | <p>Detailed planning. The "Bourne Betrayal" by Robert Ludlum.</p> | <p>Take only what is required ... filter out what is not required. Arthur Conan Doyle.</p> | <p>Consciousness - from Robin Sharma's book, "Leadership Wisdom"</p> | <p>A good idea shouldn't get wasted - straight from the gut.</p> |
| <p>One tip for time management.</p> | <p>Have a to-do list and calendar. Do things right away without procrastinating.</p> | <p>Do things, here and now.</p> | <p>I wish I knew!</p> | <p>Clarity.</p> | <p>Plan better.</p> |
| <p>One key thing in my fitness routine.</p> | <p>Walk up the stairs.</p> | <p>Walk.</p> | <p>Being disciplined.</p> | <p>Consistency.</p> | <p>Lay off the starch.</p> |
| <p>One signal that tells me there is a problem.</p> | <p>Lack of understanding.</p> | <p>Reluctance in others.</p> | <p>Getting different messages from the set of people working on it.</p> | <p>Procrastination.</p> | <p>It's in the eyes.</p> |
| <p>One technique for handling anger.</p> | <p>Count upto 20.</p> | <p>Detach.</p> | <p>Take it out!</p> | <p>Being aware of the anger.</p> | <p>Drink a glass of water.</p> |
| <p>One essential ingredient in my investment portfolio.</p> | <p>Invest in something you can grow through your own efforts.</p> | <p>Play safe.</p> | <p>Security.</p> | <p>Long term.</p> | <p>The bottom line.</p> |
| <p>One good thing about the new generation.</p> | <p>Their energy levels.</p> | <p>Optimistic.</p> | <p>Very ambitious.</p> | <p>Enthusiastic and fresh.</p> | <p>Not afraid of the future.</p> |
| <p>One worrying thing about the young.</p> | <p>Lack of focus and spending enough time on tasks to achieve completeness.</p> | <p>Indulgence.</p> | <p>Want things today.</p> | <p>Restlessness.</p> | <p>Shooting from the hip.</p> |
| <p>One thing that clinches a deal.</p> | <p>Openness and frankness.</p> | <p>Listening to the gut feeling.</p> | <p>Perseverance.</p> | <p>Fairness.</p> | <p>A warm smile.</p> |
| <p>One definition of values.</p> | <p>Something to live by every day.</p> | <p>Honesty.</p> | <p>Fairness - being fair to all.</p> | <p>Consciousness.</p> | <p>What does not hurt anyone!</p> |
| <p>One way that I use for resolving conflicts.</p> | <p>Being calm and not getting agitated about the conflict.</p> | <p>Sincere attempt to resolve.</p> | <p>Speaking to the concerned people and patience.</p> | <p>Clarity and detailing.</p> | <p>Talking things over.</p> |
| <p>One favourite activity when travelling.</p> | <p>Reading.</p> | <p>Reading.</p> | <p>Know more about the place, people and culture.</p> | <p>Non-doing state of mind.</p> | <p>Reading.</p> |
| <p>One indicator of performance.</p> | <p>Good results.</p> | <p>Positive feedback.</p> | <p>Achievement of desired results.</p> | <p>Self-assessment.</p> | <p>Positive body language.</p> |
| <p>One macroeconomic variable I keenly watch.</p> | <p>GDP growth.</p> | <p>The impact of change.</p> | <p>How well/badly the poor are doing.</p> | <p>Human productivity.</p> | <p>GDP.</p> |
| <p>One dream I'd like to chase, later in life.</p> | <p>Building businesses (already chasing it).</p> | <p>Sense of repaying what I got from society.</p> | <p>Make India the best country in all aspects.</p> | <p>To be young in mind.</p> | <p>Macro photography.</p> |
| <p>One good way to foster innovation.</p> | <p>Give a lot of freedom to people.</p> | <p>Encouragement.</p> | <p>Keep thinking of newer ways of doing the same thing - question status quo.</p> | <p>Conquer fear.</p> | <p>Freedom for lateral thought.</p> |
| <p>One clue that tells me I'm the leader.</p> | <p>The possibility to influence future direction.</p> | <p>My dreams coming true.</p> | <p>That I am able to provoke a new thought process.</p> | <p>Be simple and humanistic.</p> | <p>When I see people willing to walk with me.</p> |