

Success is not something that can be accomplished overnight. It takes a lot of hard work, time and sheer dedication. Every successful leader, entrepreneur or idealist has had their own unique journey as they strove for what they believed in and proved to society that anyone can break free from the chains they think are holding them back. Although each of them had different a different path, their destination was the same: success.

There are many factors which tie these successful individuals together, one of them being how they grew and matured along the journey. Steve Siebold, author of “How Rich People Think,” interviewed more than a thousand millionaires over three decades to learn what led them to their success and wealth.

The answer was quite simple: Steve learned that it did not matter where they were born, or even to whom — what really made these millionaires stand out was [their mentality](#), the drive to reach their goals while letting nothing hold them back. This mindset led these individuals to wealth.

Here are seven sentences you’ll never hear a successful person say because they contradict that unstoppable attitude.

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1. “I hate my job”

See also: “I hate this company,” “My boss is an idiot”

One highly-admired quality in successful people is that they are never too opinionated about their job or workplace, irrespective of what they might be doing at any point in life. Even if they are in a situation which is uncomfortable or are surrounded with negative energy, they always avoid statements like the above. These negative elements do nothing but slow you down in your journey to achieve success. Instead of insulting a person, the job or the company, they seek to resolve issue with proper facts, tactics and complete neutrality.

2. “That’s not fair”

See also: “But I deserve it more”

Did your rival receive an award, appraisal, or recognition and you got nothing, while you’re twice as dedicated and productive? A [mistake successful people never make](#) is ranting and raving about the injustices of life. Unfairness is something you have to get used to. Success is not gifted to you — you have to work to earn it, and in the midst of doing that you need to show you deserve it.

Instead of whining and complaining, the secret of being able to move on is to be proactive about such issues and not reactive. Causing a scene will only affect you negatively. If you think you were much more deserving, prove it by making a strong case and presenting it.

3. “That’s not how it’s done here”

See also: “Because it has always been done this way”

Innovation is a key characteristic of successful people, whichever fields they might be in. You have to learn to embrace new things and not be afraid of doing away with conventions. Nobody ever achieved anything great without trying something new.

Take Steve Jobs for instance: Mr. Jobs was very passionate about innovation and such passion led to amazing creations like the iPhone and the iPad, devices that changed the world. Jobs once said, “Innovation distinguishes between a leader and a follower.”

Darlene Price, president of Well Said, Inc., shared some advice with [Business Insider](#) about keeping an open mind and innovating at work. “Even if you disagree with someone’s idea, say instead, ‘Wow, that’s an interesting idea. How would that work?’” Price said. “Or, ‘That’s a different approach. Let’s discuss the pros and cons.’” Don’t be obstinate and afraid to try new things — that’s not the way success is achieved!

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4. “That’s not my job”

See also: “Not my problem,” “I don’t get paid enough”

There is one big rule which successful individuals follow: If you are truly successful, you will help others succeed as well. An example of this can be taken from [Mr. Warren Buffett](#), who said, “Someone’s sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.”

Becoming a team player is what helps you get closer to success, and if you are not a team player success will never come to you. You might be rich, you might be successful, but the hard work and dedication of your employees and members of your business or organization are the real reason behind your success and your reputation.

5. “That’s impossible”

See also: “That can’t be done,” “I can’t do this”

Successful people know that boundaries and limits are only creations of the mind, and we ourselves give birth to such restrictions. Such statements needlessly hold you back from achieving greatness. Achievers do not complain about barriers or hurdles; instead they find a way around obstacles and use their creativity to challenge them.

Negative words like “can’t,” “won’t,” and “impossible” are never heard from the mouths of successful individuals. They know complaining will not help them, but actually doing something about the issue at hand will.

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6. “I could have”

See also: “I should have,” “I might have been able to”

Regret is the worst feeling an individual can face, to keep revisiting times when they “could have” done something, the situation was out of hand or else they “would have,” now realizing that they “should have.” Successful individuals do not give themselves the opportunity to regret. This is due to two reasons: either they take the opportunity, no matter the odds, and turn the tables around; or they move on and find another opportunity that awaits. Regret is never going to serve anyone.

7. “I have no choice”

See also: “I have no other options,” “I’ve done all I can”

There are always options and opportunities at hand, and successful people know how to create their own way to these opportunities. Price pointed out, “To say we have no choice in the matter implies that we perceive ourselves as a victim, that we are less powerful than our environment.”

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