

Instructions for life in the new millennium from the Dalai Lama:

1. Take into account that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
2. When you lose, do not lose the lesson.
3. Follow the three R's: respect for self, respect for others, responsibility for all your actions.
4. Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke of luck.
5. Learn the rules so you know how to break them properly.
6. Do not let a little dispute injure a great friendship.
7. When you realize you have made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.
8. Spend some time alone every day.
9. Open your arms to change, but do not let go of your values.
10. Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
11. Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you will be able to enjoy it a second time.
12. A loving atmosphere in your home is the foundation for your life.
13. In disagreements with loved ones, deal only with the current situation. Do not bring up the past.
14. Share your knowledge. It is a way to achieve immortality.
15. Be gentle with the Earth.
16. Once a year, go someplace you have never been before.
17. Remember that the best relationship is one in which your love for each other exceeds your need for each other.
18. Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.
19. Approach love and cooking with reckless abandon.

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Anônimo:

As escolhas da vida!

- Mestre, como faço para me tornar um sábio?
- Boas escolhas.
- Mas como fazer boas escolhas?
- Experiência - diz o mestre.
- E como adquirir experiência, mestre?
- Más escolhas.

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Perguntaram ao Dalai Lama: "O que mais te surpreende na Humanidade?"

E ele respondeu:

Os homens. Perdem a saúde para juntar dinheiro, depois perdem o dinheiro para recuperar a saúde. E por pensar ansiosamente no futuro, esquecem do presente, de tal forma que acabam por não viver nem o presente nem o futuro. E vivem como se nunca fossem morrer . . . e morrem como se nunca tivessem vivido.

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