

# **Assembly Script - Back to School**

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Welcome!

Today we are talking about the three A's of success: Aspiration, Ambition and Achievement. Going for goals. Setting a target and trying your very best to hit it.

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Of course, we make little achievements all the time without even realising. Small victories that are in our or other people's best interest. Getting out of bed; brushing your teeth; making your lunch; walking the dog; or helping Mum and Dad around the house. Or doing your homework!

But significant achievements: the kind that changes your life or the lives of others is normally born out of some kind of aspiration or ambition.

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Encourage the pupils to think about and come up with some achievements of their own regardless of how big or small they may be. If any significant achievements come out, see if the pupil is happy to say more about how they succeeded and any adversity they encountered on the way.

Achievements don't have to be as exciting as landing on the moon, but in doing homework you are increasing your intelligence and understanding; in walking the dog you're giving yourself and your pet healthy exercise and fresh air; and in helping mum and dad or friends, you are making their lives easier. It all helps make your life, and the lives of others, better. Always take a moment to celebrate even your small achievements.

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But what about the big ones? Big achievements often come from big ambition. An ambition is the desire to achieve something. Getting the job you always dreamed of is a great example of an ambition that turns into an achievement. Does anyone already know what they want to be when they're older?

Take some answers from your pupils – move to the next slide as you're doing so to inspire some ideas.



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Image slide

Let's see if any of your ambitions are represented by the images on these slides.

# Click to \*reveal images\*

These people have all achieved something that has made them famous, or at least put them in the public eye. Of course, ambitions and achievements that don't lead to fame or fortune are just as valid. To you, and the people in your life.

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It's a good idea to plan well for any ambition or achievement that you set yourself.

Click 1 - First, give yourself a clear idea of what you want to achieve – have some idea of what needs to happen for you to consider the task successfully achieved.

Click 2 – You may need to find out how you can go about achieving your goal. Do you need help from other people? Do you need extra knowledge or tools?

Click 3 – Once you know what is needed, get the knowledge, skills and tools. This can take some time to develop new skills or save money for tools or equipment you don't have. During this time you should be patient and keep focussed on your ambition.

Click 4 – Once you have everything you need, give it your best shot!

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But remember, if at first you don't succeed, try (click 1), try (click 2), try again (click 3). And if necessary, again and again. You may experience rejection or adversity many times in your attempts to achieve your ambition. But with patience and persistence, (click 4) you can achieve anything you put your mind to.



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In fact, most people who succeed have experienced failure or rejection at some point during their attempts to achieve their goals:

These famous people experienced failure or rejection many times before achieving success:

(click 1) – does anyone know who this is?

(click 2) Yes, it's Walt Disney.

(click 3) The mastermind and creator of Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck, won 32 Academy Awards for his animations, and his company now also incorporates Pixar, Marvel and Star Wars. But early in his career Disney was fired for ...

(click 4) 'not being creative enough' and one of his first companies went bankrupt.

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(click 1) - here's an easier one. Who is this?

(click 2) Correct, Beyoncé.

(click 3) One of the most influential performers of modern times, having inspired other singers such as Lady Gaga and Rihanna. Winner of 28 Grammys and many other accolades too numerous to mention.

(click 4) But did you know while she strived to achieve her dream, she lost a national TV talent show and was later dropped by her record company?

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(click 1) – anyone know who this is?

(click 2) – it's designer and inventor, James Dyson

(click 3) – we either have one or know someone who's got one. Dyson is now one of the leading brands of vacuum cleaner, and now other household appliances too and he is now an incredibly wealthy man.

(click 4) – But James Dyson designed over 5,000 failed prototypes before Dyson became a household name.

Remember: "There is no failure except in no longer trying". A fantastic quote by American writer Elbert Hubbard. And one worth remembering as you all make your way through your respective lives.



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You may consider seeking help and advice from people who have had similar ambitions. It's also a good idea to talk about things that are concerning you and things that might go wrong. There may be other things that have nothing to do with your ambition, but are distracting you from the task at hand.

In any case, talking can help lighten your load and make you feel better about things. You can talk to a friend, a parent or a teacher at any time. But if you find talking in person too difficult, you can use tootoot.

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How can tootoot help?

Tootoot is a safe and private place to talk about anything that is worrying you.

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To use tootoot you can go to www.tootoot.co.uk or use the app

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Then enter [school name]

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Next enter your log in details

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Finally enter your message and click make a noise

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We are always here to support and help you if there's anything that's on your mind. Always tell a teacher, a friend or tootoot if something is making you feel unhappy or unsafe.

If you forget your tootoot login please speak to [INSERT NAME HERE]

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Any questions?