



19 Ways to Develop a Growth Mindset:

1. Acknowledge and embrace imperfections.

Hiding from your weaknesses means you'll never overcome them.

2. View challenges as opportunities.

Having a growth mindset means relishing opportunities for self-improvement. Learn more about how to fail well.

3. Try different learning tactics.

There's no one-size-fits-all model for learning. What works for one person may not work for you. Learn about learning strategies.

4. Replace the word "failing" with the word "learning."

When you make a mistake or fall short of a goal, you haven't failed; you've learned.

5. Stop seeking approval.

When you prioritize approval over learning, you sacrifice your own potential for growth.

6. Value the process over the end result.

Intelligent people enjoy the learning process, and don't mind when it continues beyond an expected time frame.

7. Cultivate a sense of purpose.

Keep the big picture in mind.

8. Celebrate growth with others.

If you truly appreciate growth, you'll want to share your progress with others.

9. Emphasize growth over speed.

Learning fast isn't the same as learning well, and learning well sometimes requires allowing time for mistakes.

10. Re-define "genius."

The myth's been busted: genius requires hard work, not talent alone.

11. Portray criticism as positive.

You don't have to use that hackneyed term, "constructive criticism," but you do have to believe in the concept.

12. Disassociate improvement from failure.

Stop assuming that “room for improvement” translates into failure.

13. Place effort before talent.

Hard work should always be rewarded before inherent skill.

14. Highlight the relationship between learning and “brain training.”

The brain is like a muscle that needs to be worked out, just like the body.

15. Learn from other people’s mistakes.

It’s not always wise to compare yourself to others, but it is important to realize that humans share the same weaknesses.

16. Make a new goal for every goal accomplished.

You’ll never be done learning. Growth-minded people know how to constantly create new goals to keep themselves stimulated.

17. Think realistically about time and effort.

It takes time to learn. Don’t expect to master every topic under the sun in one sitting.

18. Take ownership over your attitude.

Once you develop a growth mindset, own it. Acknowledge yourself as someone who possesses a growth mentality and be proud to let it guide you throughout your educational career.

19. Self Reflect.

Spend some time alone daily reflecting upon your goals and action plan. Try to journal your thoughts.

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