

# Strategy

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## strat·e·gy

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*noun*: strategy; *plural noun*: strategies

a plan of action or policy designed to achieve a major or overall aim.

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A strategy is a method to achieve your goals. Presuming you are basically sane, you have goals that benefit you. Strategy is your plan for *benefiting yourself*.

Never confuse the means (Self-improvement, hard work, getting help from others, cheating) with the end (benefit). **You live a universe that only cares about results.** How you got there changes nothing, if the result is the same.

If you are strong because you spent 3 years lifting weights and taking steroids, instead of ten years lifting weights alone, do you think the universe cares? Will it impose justice by not allowing you to lift as much weight? Do you think the girls you want sex from care? Do you think anyone cares?

If you got rich by someone else's work, is your money worth less?

If you got blown because you learned game and faked confidence, did you enjoy the sex less than Chad, who was born with it?

We all know that those who take the path of least resistance are lazy. But some of you need to realize that those who take the path of *most resistance* are **stupid**.

- The lazy man takes the path of least resistance no matter where it leads.
- The stupid and gullible man takes the hard path because everyone tells him it is the right one, or the virtuous one.
- The strategist will succeed where both the lazy and the stupid fail.

**The strategist is the man who takes the shortest, easiest path which leads to his goal.** He does not waste his energy and time on unnecessary flourishes. He does not despise short cuts as a "cop-out". And **he does not call inefficient work "self-improvement"**.

He improves whatever capabilities are necessary for his goal, but he never loses sight of what that goal is. Much strategy involves necessary self-improvement, but honing your capabilities is a means, not an end. Ultimately, you want something. Know what that something is, know what you have to use, and find the best means to bring the two together.

This means cheat. The universe isn't fair. There are no rules. Use whatever you have.

If you are smart, but not charismatic, make money by entering a profession that not many people can train for.

If you are charismatic, but not smart, make money by using your influence on others.

**Use the advantages you have to get the ones you don't.**

Gifts can be exchanged for each other. Wealth can buy steroids. Friends and connections can help you get wealthy. Hooking a nerd up with a slut can get you smart, expert help. Intelligence can help you learn valuable skills.

You're going to *have* to improve yourself, a lot, to get what you want, if you're at all ambitious. But never mistake self-improvement for the goal, because then you will lose sight of the shortcuts, or, worse yet, come to despise them.

**Only fools are proud of how hard they work. Wise men are proud of how effectively they work.**

Be wise. Use strategy. Take the shortest path.

## Whisper

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## Comments

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Enjoyitbeforeitsover • 8 points • 31 August, 2015 04:05 AM\*

I heard about this sub and maybe even delved a bit but then I forgot about it. What a shame, but at 23 I feel I'm still young. Life has really made a lot more sense after being on here for the past 2 weeks. I somehow took the redpill back in may without even knowing about this site. And I have been working on my goals nonstop trying to advance myself and get a career. I'm still making sense of the clusterfuck that is dealing/approaching women but I'm so far ahead than where I was just a month ago. I'm still trying to cover a lot of stuff and really internalizing everything, I don't care if I have to revisit posts constantly. Everyday I feel I'm now using my "eyes" more, thanks morpheus hahaha.... I'd like to thank you guys for spitting out some fuckin great truths/wisdom and I look forward to being on here all the time. I'm getting in the best shape of my life too. Seriously thank you to all of you.

bigcitytruth • 5 points • 31 August, 2015 06:21 PM

You are definitely young. Use this time to sharpen your skills. By the time you're 30 you'll be superman.

For career, play hardball. Loyalty never gets rewarded. Neither does honesty. Lie on your resume anywhere you cannot easily get found-out. Bend the truth in areas you know you're safe. It fucking works because the women in Human Resources are too lazy to really find out anything more than whether you have a prison record or what school you went to. That's usually all they check. That's what nobody will tell you.

For women, *never* worry about what they think. This can cover a wide range. For example, she texts you while you're busy but you're worried about taking too long to text back. Stop worrying. Or, you want to say what you think, but you're worried it may sound creepy for sound too forward. Stop worrying.

Enjoyitbeforeitsover • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 07:54 PM

I simply stopped giving a shit. I'm just focused on me and getting to the point where I may return the favor as well to those who helped me out and guided me the most. The most important thing I realized is how much is your fucking time worth. This applies to jobs and women. And I guess you're fucking right about the resume shit but I wouldn't go far out and lie like crazy. Whatever get's the job done at the end of the day and as long as no one get's harmed then fuck it.

Black-Pill • 11 points • 30 August, 2015 11:34 PM

If you look at Sun Tzu's Art of War you can find an amazing amount of info that is applicable to the ideas of successful sexual and personal life strategy. I personally believe it ranks with the 48 laws of power.

[deleted] • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 02:31 PM

I really do believe that The 48 Laws will be looked back on in the same way that masterpieces like The Art of War and The Prince are looked at today. Brilliant, brilliant book. Changed my whole perspective.

red-tinted • 34 points • 30 August, 2015 11:19 PM

Your post reminds me of Rollo's writings about Honour, and how it is a system that has been claimed by the

female imperative to control men.

I'd expand further on what he said by adding that honour systems and the ethical approaches that we are encouraged to pursue in the modern world (the 'American Dream' for example) are devices of control. And these devices are as old as history.

Religions like Christianity or Islam were invented to make sure the average man knew his place. To make sure he didn't step out of line and that he stayed loyal to his superiors. Because by promising people something better in the next life, they are prepared to obey *holy scripture* and to suffer in this one.

There is no such thing as karmic justice. If there is a God, he clearly doesn't give a shit what any of us do. So why would you continue to suffer in your attempts to do the *right thing*? The only correct thing to do is what benefits you. Fuck honour and fuck ethics.

Tempolop • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 10:55 AM\*

I disagree. Religions like Christianity and Islam were invented because their founders had discovered some truth in the universe that showed that there was a bigger and better picture than the power game we all have to play. However, years after it gets spread (usually vocally) to different countries and becomes an ideology, the religions become misinterpreted. Hell, the Roman council of Nicea, the same type of people in power who killed Jesus, are the same people who created the Bible that we all read today. Who knows what words they had to change in order to avoid any possible mutiny. Anyways for all we know they could've set up the honors and ethics we use now. Take it like this: the Universe/God is fair, Mankind is dead and all kinds of messed up.

Elodrian • 6 points • 31 August, 2015 12:26 PM

Fairness is an invention of civilization. The Universe can be said to be fair insofar as the underlying mechanics are consistent and unbiased, but to say that it's "fair" in any sort of karmic justice sense is simply not the case. As one author put it, "nature is neither cruel nor kind, only pitilessly indifferent".

Consider the universal truths discovered by Joseph Smith of the Mormons, Shoko Asahara of Aum Shinrikyo, L. Ron Hubbard of the Scientologists, Marshall Herff Applewhite of Heaven's Gate, or David Koresh of the Branch Davidians. I suspect that, like me, you view their theology with a healthy dose of skepticism. Consider that there is precisely as much evidence to support the truths they discovered as their is to support of the truths discovered by Abraham, Jesus, and Mohammed.

What is more likely: that fundamentals truths of the universe were genuinely revealed to these individuals and that modern day prophets are just charlatans taking advantage of the gullible, or that people have been more or less the same throughout history, but we have access to better fact checking post 650AD?

Rhunta • 8 points • 31 August, 2015 09:53 AM

I get what you say, the only problem I find in it is my own judgment. I don't care about the opinion of others, but I care about my opinion about myself.

Because of this I can't do everything I want, because my sub-consciousness wouldn't be in sync with my consciousness.

Ex: In the past fraud/drugs would gave me a lot of stress/anxiety/depression. Result is the same, you get money. But it wasn't good for my own mind.

setzer\_ • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 07:50 PM

I tend to agree with this. When inner game and internal confidence are so important (which they are). I find

this contradicts RP ideologies to some extent.

[deleted] • 1 point • 1 September, 2015 10:00 AM

Because of empathy. You can picture yourself getting fucked over the same way you might fuck people over.

People who lack empathy are seriously rewarded in this society, but it's not something you can turn on or off at will.

On steroids and similar, sure there are awesome benefits, but there's also huge risks and long term problems, the universe doesn't give a shit if you get those either.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 September, 2015 04:22 AM\*

You can definitely turn empathy on and off at will. That is a **universal human ability**.

I wouldn't take steroids because it's dumb in the long-term and I am a long-term thinker. When I see dudes on steroids I empathize with them a little bit and I pity them, because they're completely destroying their bodies and fucking up their hormones. But then I stop pitying them because I remember that **THEY MADE THE CHOICE TO TAKE THE RISK**. And then I LOL @ their misguided ideas.

wearnocrowns • 5 points • 31 August, 2015 12:35 PM\*

I can't stress enough how important it is to comprehend the message in this post. It might be and probably will be misinterpreted, especially when put in such an overt and simple way, yet to me it is a necessary step and transition one must make in order to free himself and deliver tangible results at whatever he's up to.

Taking a shortcut is Alpha. Fucking around with details is Beta. What matters is the goal.

I was the one who had spent half of his life "self-improving" for the sake of self-improvement and hushing myself with the delusion of "progress" while in fact being stuck in one place.

Set a real goal and work towards it no matter how the fuck you're going to get there. Money is something real. So as gaining muscles or banging a girl. Low goals? Amoral? I'm not diverting from morals in general but morals can become the greatest hindrance, especially in a nice guy's struggle for "not hurting anyone". The power of morals is overwhelming and paralyzing 'cause they are self-imposed and exerted of our own volition. Almost every one of us aspires to be a "good" man. But that impulse is a trap. It appears and partially is natural but it's mostly its distorted form that has been instilled into us by the environment. It doesn't serve us anymore. It only serves the feminine imperative as a tool for enslaving men's mind and the Betas for their inner hamstering.

If you have a problem with putting yourself first you're not going to go any further in your life. Putting myself first and making practical use of my intelligence has been the most fundamental shift I have ever made. That's the moment I started living.

Anyone can keep on being a principled good guy, broke, with little to no sex and nothing tangible in his hands yet still sort of (falsely) "proud" of clinging on some morals. But it's good to remind yourself again and again: **No one gives a shit about you!** Is it not better to use your potential to its fullest? Is it not better to game the world? I know, it's so fucking hard to grasp this concept for all the "good" people. But at the end of the day, even the good people want to survive, don't they?

P.S. The "steroids" example doesn't fit the gist very well, I'm not a fan of such stuff. I'm all for the shortcuts and seizing opportunities once they are spotted but weighing the costs and benefits before you jump on anything is a part of being smart. But to each his own. As I say, the gist of the post is what I care about.

Hokuto199x • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 03:12 AM

I agree. I've recently (in the last few months) resolved to primarily work to my own benefit. I have a reputation for kindness, and to be honest it was rarely if ever appreciated but often exploited. Enough of that nonsense. Even if I wanted to help others, I'd need to make it before I could really have a meaningful impact.

[deleted] • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 11:32 AM

This is a results over realisation policy, which can enable a short-term feel-good factor when you reap rewards that you are not necessarily able to internalise. The problem is, if you attain any kind of short-term advancement on the basis of an illusion, you lack that realisation of self, wherein you achieve something but you do not actually become the person necessary to handle your success. Your mindset does not evolve because your mind is still catching up with your achievements, and you don't have the experience to go with the rush of adrenaline that pushed you forwards. You are then susceptible to being outmanoeuvred by those people who haven't built their success on rocky foundations, but who have the ideology and the experience to handle that success. Short-cuts are like everything else in that they are only good if they reap the necessary reward. They can help you to take initial strides forwards, but they are no substitute for authenticity.

Hence, I would dispute the worthiness of a strategy devised around the idea of taking the shortest path. The best path is always the best. The problem is, you only know the best path with hindsight. People who come to this sub suffer from an altogether different problem, in that their strategy is non-existent. Their life revolves around the principles of hope and prayer. Better to have some kind of strategy, even if it is not the best, than to have no strategy at all. But take a little time to develop a sense of foresight.

unassumingusername7 • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 05:53 PM

If this is true then the shortest path is the path that gets you what you want and the means to protect it. So long as you don't get caught up in being "honorable" or "fair" just to appease the weak and lazy.

[deleted] • 1 point • 1 September, 2015 03:12 PM

Your first sentence summarises my thoughts perfectly in a way I was grasping towards, without quite finding the words. History is littered with people whose strategy granted them their desire, but who succumbed because they did not also secure the means to protect their desire, having acquired it.

musclebound92 • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 05:35 PM

Stealing another mans money I cannot agree with. Although we are mammals, we are not animals. Putting someone else at a loss and taking their hard earned money is not strategy, and in society we deem thieves as weak and pathetic and most of us, if ever stolen from, would more than love to kill that person. That being said, I agree with every other aspect of this post. That line **You live in a universe that only cares about results** is something I tell people ALL THE TIME and they just can't understand that. Results are all that matters. Even if people band together and talk about the hard workout took, etc etc. They all only really care about results in the end. Great post.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 September, 2015 04:45 AM

WORD UP. People confuse the map for the territory ALL FUCKIN DAY.

They think "hard work" is somehow inherently valuable.

But they're wrong. They've forgotten the origin of values. They've forgotten why "hard work" ever became "valuable" in the first place.

The only reason "hard work" EVER BECAME "VALUABLE" is because hard work gets results.

It's the RESULTS that have REAL value. The value of the process you use to get the results is **entirely dependent on the value of the results.**

Hard work CAN be valuable, or it can be *absolutely fuckin worthless*.

**ALL THAT MATTERS IS RESULTS.**

This also applies to conversation: Whatever interaction you're engaged in, **the meaning of the interaction is THE RESPONSE YOU GET**. The meaning of your words isn't *what you want them to mean*, it's not *what you think they mean*, it's *how the other person responds to what THEY think your words mean*.

magus678 • 7 points • 31 August, 2015 01:32 AM

I would make a fairly large distinction between using steroids and taking someone else's work to become rich. Steroid use doesn't affect anyone else; taking their work does.

interestedplayer • 1 point • 31 August, 2015 05:09 PM

Taking steroids affects them the same way. They invested years into looking "good" and you become a god with much less work, making their work worthless/inflationary.

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magus678 • 4 points • 31 August, 2015 03:22 PM

Why not simply steal money? I mean there is a chance you get caught, but there is also a chance you don't. Results are all that matter.

Why shouldn't a woman try to stuff that used condom inside herself and get pregnant? Why shouldn't she divorce rape you as hard as she can? Results are all that matter.

Think that way if you like, but all the criticisms we level at women only hold water if we don't act that way ourselves.

unassumingusername7 • 1 point • 31 August, 2015 05:46 PM

Or consider this, the universe doesn't care if you're trying for a baby or if she gets your goo out of the used condom. You're still on the hook for a child. Why play with half a deck when the universe doesn't reward you for being weak?

I don't consider this hypocrisy because I don't consider what you said you be a criticism of women. It's a warning. "Hey, this is something that could be used against you. Protect yourself."

Women aren't evil when they get their BB with AF on the side, or marry and divorce just for the money. They're just winning. They're beating wimps like you who get suckered into "doing the right thing".

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[deleted] • 6 points • 31 August, 2015 11:16 AM

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plzdontask • 3 points • 1 September, 2015 02:12 AM [recovered]

Ok long comment incoming. I see that my position-- being amoral-- requires a great deal of explanation. If you read the whole thing and continue to disagree, I'd like to hear from you, because I am trying to refine my thoughts to the point where they can stand on their own as an actual post.

You think of yourself as better than a woman who exploits her husband. That's where you and I differ. Personally, I see nothing wrong with that woman. She is simply doing what her situation incentivizes. That doesn't make her evil or even bad, it just makes her human, just like you. I mean no offense by this.

You appear to believe that, by holding yourself to a certain standard of behavior, you actually become a better person. But what is a better person, anyway? Is he stronger? Is he wiser? Is he happier? Actually, he may be none of those things. So, in practice, a "better" person may not be any better off than an "immoral" person. The only difference between them is how much they conform to society's standards for behavior.

Think for a second about what your sense of duty would be like if you had been born to a Muslim family in Iran. You would feel like a bad person if you skipped one of your five daily prayer sessions. And this would actually weigh on your conscience. It would work the same way if you failed to spank your misbehaving child, were you an American parent in the 1940s. You probably don't pray facing Mecca and you probably don't spank your children (assuming you have any), and yet somehow I suspect you don't feel bad about either of those things. People's ideas of the right thing to do vary across space and time. The point I'm trying to make here is that your ideas of good and bad are part of your culture.

The thing about your culture is that you do not choose what culture you are steeped in. Your culture chooses you, and it targets you beginning when you're a small, impressionable child. And it indoctrinates you with things like "sharing is caring" and "never hit a girl for any reason" and "don't say bad words or you'll go to Hell". And it does this all throughout your life. It will never shut up. But if you want to forge your own path and be your own man, eventually you have to stop listening. In the end, this is The Red Pill. Recall that The Red Pill, in the actual movie The Matrix, made Neo wake up and see that everything he knew was a fabrication. If you can't see that the standards of behavior that you've been conditioned to follow are arbitrary and useless, then you simply haven't swallowed the red pill yet.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 September, 2015 04:25 AM

Can't believe this only got two up votes. **This comment is amazing.** well-written, empathetic as fuck, and completely true. This is one of the Reddest Pills I've ever seen articulated, by anyone, ever.

magus678 • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 03:24 PM

It isn't different.

A lot of people use the RP to justify being a child, and will criticize women for those same things.

TheSKSpecial • 1 point • 31 August, 2015 03:37 PM

Sounds like you're conflating the guys being amoral with the ones angry about female nature.

magus678 • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 04:14 PM

For the purposes of this sub, amorality is accepted, and probably necessary for meaningful conversation. Applying that strictly to real life, however, makes you a sociopath.

Even the men who accept female nature in it's darkest form will generally agree it isn't conducive to civilization (enjoy the decline, right?). This has been balanced by men's natures in the past, but a non-trivial amount of the TRP, who are supposed to be enlightened, advocate



essentially acting like a woman.

TheSKSpecial • 1 point • 31 August, 2015 05:04 PM

The world has been feminized to the point that "essentially acting like a woman" is the only way to not get run over. So you can either wish for the days of yore to make a return, or adapt and overcome.

unassumingusername7 • 1 point • 31 August, 2015 05:49 PM

Why shouldn't she do that if it serves her interests?

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 September, 2015 04:30 AM

if you're in it to win it, you need to fight dirty.

THIS. What are you in the game for? To win? Or just to play?

You need to understand that *no matter what game you're playing*, the people who *really want to win* are playing dirty. Every time. Therefore, **unless you play dirty, you're not playing to win.** you're playing just to play.

Lance Armstrong. Barry Bonds. Bernie Madoff.

These motherfuckers WON their games, and it turned out they were playing dirty the whole time.

But that's not the lesson to take away from their stories.

The lesson to take away is this: **If so many winners seem to be playing dirty and getting caught for it, HOW MANY WINNERS ARE OUT THERE PLAYING DIRTY AND GETTING AWAY WITH IT?**

Here's the Red Pill Answer: **it's 100%.**

100% of winners play dirty. It's a requirement of winning.

What game are you playing, and what are you playing for? Are you playing just to play? Or do you have the balls to allow yourself to play to win?

bonerdude420 • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 11:57 AM

If you are so utilitarian in 'reaching a goal'. You might need to consider what the goal actually is.

Every decision you make is your brain performing a cost-benefit analysis. You might get stronger on roids. But they have their own cost. Even something as simple as the self esteem from doing something the hard way might be reason enough to sacrifice some strength.

And that too can be strategic. It's not the most strategic way to get huge. But what if that isn't the only goal you measure yourself by?

[deleted] • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 02:43 PM\*

I appreciate your viewpoint. I've met a lot of successful men happy with themselves who think like you.

However, I do disagree with your closing statements:

Only fools are proud of how hard they work. Wise men are proud of how effectively they work.

Be wise. Use strategy. Take the shortest path.

A successful strategy is not always the shortest path. The man who takes steroids who achieves similar results in

3 years compared to the non-steroid user who achieves these results in 10 years have worked in a different way. But just because there is a 7 year difference, does it make the one who achieved it first better? Did he ACTUALLY get better results or work MORE effectively? An answer of yes or no definitely has some personal bias. There are also different effects than just strength and what weight you're able to lift. That money spent on steroids may have been invested into starting up a business. That body that is now used to taking steroids from an external source may need some extra maintenance in the future for producing it on its own. There are many, many factors. But I won't go too far into the analysis of weighing pros and cons.

Back to my point that strategy is not always the shortest path: **a well-executed strategy is not solely based on time constraint or external value.** A man's strategy, however absurd or insane he may seem, could be to develop his strength or his business or whatever result he is aiming to achieve in the most sober, humbling, grinding, slow, steady pace as he can possibly muster, while not sacrificing any effectiveness. Intrinsicly, this strategy may be incredibly satisfying to his inner happiness. He may have some nice thing(s) to show for it as well, but that's not the focus of this strategy's results.

This brings to mind the Oakland A's strategy that was studied in the movie Moneyball (Which is a great film. One of those that the main character struggles and struggles, especially internally, but triumphs in the end). The Yankees at the time used a strategy to spend all of the big bucks the organization had to acquire superstars and power hitters. The sluggers. The idea was to hit as many out of the park as possible and just out-slug the opponent. But here come the Oakland A's out of nowhere on this shitty budget, with the strategy of accumulating small hits, walks, and base steals to slowly and steadily score enough runs to wear down the opponent and outscore them with good old-fashioned small-ball. And it worked. It got them to the playoffs. They scored an incredible winning streak and surprised the entire baseball nation, including themselves. However, both teams (Yankees and A's) lost in the division series of the playoffs. They did fall short of the ultimate goal of winning the World Series (which is the aim of all teams every single year), but two VERY different strategies turned out to be successful for two VERY different teams. And the Oakland A's having made it to the playoffs was a success in itself because the prediction was that they would barely scrape by on a .500 W-L ratio.

My main point is this: Strategy A is Strategy A. Strategy B is Strategy B. Results will vary. Men think very differently. Choose the Strategy which best suits you as a living being and the Strategy that you have studied that you believe will achieve you the results you want in the time you want to achieve them in.

Basically, what your opening sentence states:

A strategy is a method to achieve your goals. Presuming you are basically sane, you have goals that benefit you. Strategy is your plan for benefiting yourself.

[deleted] • 6 points • 31 August, 2015 10:42 AM

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musclebound92 • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 05:30 PM

Steroids do not do any of those things. I am sorry that fox news and propaganda is where you base your information off of. Less of these types of people in the world would make the world a much better place.

[deleted] • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 02:35 PM

Fuck your morals. They're for you, and mine are for me.

We're talking strategy here, which is amoral and uncaring towards your opinions on "stealing another man's money" or the like.

[deleted] • 0 points • 31 August, 2015 10:32 PM

Bullshit. Stealing another man's money is for frustrated little boys who can't hack it on their own. That's not strategy, that's pathetic blue pill behaviour and has nothing to do with mastering Red Pill or learning from its core messages from affiliated subreddits. Once again, you will not receive any validation from anyone here for stealing another man's money or possessions, blue pill boy.

RedPope • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 06:21 AM

This post is honest and accurate. Anyone who finds it objectionable needs to set aside bias and read it again objectively.

This should all be common sense. Lazy people are lazy and make lazy decisions. Stupid people are stupid and work harder, not smarter. The wise man takes the best course to reach his goal. Sometimes that will be the easy path, other times it is the hard path. But it doesn't matter: he picks whichever is best for him and his goals.

This is about remaining flexible, self-aware, and agile. Nothing more, nothing less. Anything else you're reading is your own misguided dogma. The bluepill is self-sabotaging. Do not replace one flawed belief system with another.

Bearhardy • -2 points • 31 August, 2015 01:05 AM\*

I don't like this post. Why?

The red pill is amoral yes but that doesn't mean that you have to preach amorality, telling people to take the shortest path, I already see the stupids trying to stupidly cheat their way into everything they think they want.

Why not make a post preaching morality and integrity while also being smart about it.

Idk this post just reeks.

I want to clarify I'm not agaisnt the post or the general idea, just how you put it.

EpicLevelCheater[M] • 17 points • 31 August, 2015 08:14 AM

I want to clarify I'm not agaisnt the post or the general idea, just how you put it.

We call that "tone-policing".

Your feeeeeeels about /u/Whisper's content are immaterial. Respond to the ideas he presented, and **only** the ideas.

[deleted] • 6 points • 31 August, 2015 02:10 AM

I think you're reading too far into how he used "cheat" and "short-cuts".

Even if a man lacks a moral compass of his own, if he is smart and ambitious his strategy to improve his station in life will not involve fucking over friends, scamming people, embezzling, etc. The reason being is that these methods have absolutely horrible returns on investment and involve risks with social and financial penalties that are too great.

Getting caught embezzling once means your name is mud for life. Whereas finding out where/when the CEO plays golf and "accidentally" running into him at the country club to become known to him is a type of shortcut that could assist you in moving up the ladder at a much faster rate than had you slaved away quietly waiting to get recognized/promoted.

If you think of "cheating" as leveraging all of your resources to get the results you want versus grinding it out the hard way then it takes on a different definition.

Overkillengine • 5 points • 31 August, 2015 02:49 AM

if he is smart and ambitious

Heh. If they were that, they'd not need guidance. Fact is, base human nature is lazy and hedonistic. The guidance should then be structured accordingly.

[deleted] • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 02:56 AM

Point taken, I guess it could be rephrased as "smart and ambitious enough to seek guidance."

Overkillengine • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 08:36 AM

Problem is there is there is no way to filter the ones that are genuinely seeking guidance from the ones seeking a dogmatic paint by numbers shortcut to pussy galore.

I'd wager a lot of the "TRP has failed me!" crowd stems from the latter though. Which is fine if their laziness only ever affected themselves, but I think we both know in the end it does not.

[deleted] • 2 points • 31 August, 2015 05:40 PM

I think you phrased it well. I think newcomers confuse RP with some fancy new PUA theory whereas if you dig deep into it, it's obviously much more than that.

RP is a paradigm shift in perceiving the relations between men and women...that shift is fucking TOUGH to make and, in my opinion, requires a painful experience like getting cheated on, divorced, heartbreak, etc. to serve as a catalyst.

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as if people cheating their way into everything they want is new.

yummyluckycharms • 1 point • 31 August, 2015 04:12 AM

I find this post funny especially due to the fact that in most management consulting firms, face time is paramount.

Alleycat0 • 1 point • 31 August, 2015 01:23 PM

Its all about adapating adequate, good post.

waitfor\_ittt • 1 point • 31 August, 2015 02:13 PM

This is a great post being misinterpreted by what appears to be a handful of people here. Nice work.

RedDeadlift • 0 points • 31 August, 2015 06:49 AM

Excellent post. These lines in particular:

This means cheat. The universe isn't fair. There are no rules. Use whatever you have. If you are smart, but not charismatic, make money by entering a profession that not many people can train for. If you are charismatic, but not smart, make money by using your influence on others. Use the advantages you have to get the ones you don't.

Great stuff.

RXRob • 0 points • 31 August, 2015 09:13 AM

Don't work hard. Work smart

ColdEiric • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 10:52 AM

Having intelligence and the option of working smart doesn't mean you're able to not work hard. You still have to lift what you have to lift. The difference is just that you're able to gain more than a stupid person gains.

unassumingusername7 • 3 points • 31 August, 2015 05:55 PM

To simplify, work hard to figure out what working smart is, then work hard at that.

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Beautifully written! I totally agree with your POV. No one cares about your honour especially women. So focus in results!