

A Compass to the Future

20 rules to create self-independent 'human resources' that can contribute
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20 rules

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All matters chain-link and circulate beyond space and time

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- **Rule of 'Piling up':.....Rule 1**
I cannot go to a far place without 'piling up' a small single step': Ichiro

- **Rule of Having a 'Goal'**Rule 2
To achieve something, it is important to set a concrete goal.
Once you have set the goal, don't make it blurred, and don't miss it.
- **Rule of 'Knowing yourself'**Rule 3
Without recognizing exactly the starting point, i.e. yourself,
you cannot describe the way to the goal called 'dream'
- **Rule of 'Self-independence'**.....Rule 4
Only those who can decide their own actions with their own will,
and can take responsibility for their actions, can develop the future.

Chapter 2 All chain-link and all circulate.

- **Rule of Metabolism**.....Rule 5
To welcome something new, you have to discard something old.
- **Rule of Feeling Grateful**.....Rule 6
You have to feel grateful that any insignificant ordinary life is the result
of a miracle-like chain-links.
- **Rule of Gratitude**.....Rule 7
The mirror of a heart full of gratitude reflects happiness, and that
happiness generates further gratitude. As a result of chain-links and
circulation of gratitude and happiness, a bright future will be created.
- **Rule of Smiling**.....Rule 8
Two persons are like two mirrors held against each other. Smiling
encourages somebody else to smile. The power of chain-links and
circulation of smiling is the driving force to open up the future.
- **Rule of Forgiveness**.....Rule 9
Only through forgiving other people will it become possible to be saved
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Chapter 3 One is made to live so as to be a useful person

- **Rule of Usefulness**.....Rule 10
There is nothing useless in this world. Everything becomes useful when
set in the right place.

• **Rule of Variety.....Rule 11**

Variety is the matrix to create a strong and abundant future.

Chapter 4 If you change your point of view, the world will change.

• **Rule of PolyhedronsRule 12**

You should not judge everything by looking at one phase only.

Truth will not be found unless you try to look things from different points of view.

[Three episodes concerning dogs]

[Lessons through meeting with Mr. Shusaku Endo]

• **Rule of an Adverse Wind.....Rule 13**

In the same wind, one sailing-boat heads for the east, while the other one heads for the west. In which direction the boat goes depends on how to raise the sail, not on the wind itself.

• **Rule of Trial.....Rule 14**

In case some trial comes, if one tries to run away from it, one will regard it as a wall. But if one tries to go over it, it will fulfill a role as a 'teacher' and it will help one to grow mature.

Chapter 5 An invisible 'Cube' tells Truth

• **Rule of an Invisible 'Cube'..... Rule 15**

Really important things stay unchanged, eternal and invisible.

• **Rule of Feeling impressed.....Rule 16**

Feeling impressed is the utmost driving force to keep on going indefinitely.

• **Rule of Taking Root.....Rule 17**

“One who wants to grow mature must take root below firmly, first of all. Do not only wish to grow upwards . Make an effort to take root below.

: Mr. Tetsuro Watsuji

Chapter 6 A Game named LIFE does not end at the bottom of the ninth inning.

• **Rule of Not Giving Up.....Rule 18**

If you continue what you are doing, any experience of failure and breakdown will lead you on the way to success; but if you give up on the way, it will be a defeat.

• **Rule of Challenge and Failure.....Rule 19**

Climbing up the winding stairs of alternating challenge and failure, one grows mature.

Chapter 7 The power of believing will lead to create the future.

• **The Power of BelievingRule 20**

When one wants to achieve something, there is a certain power to support one's mind and to break through an apparent 'wall' of destiny. That is nothing but the power of believing.

Three Miracle Stories

Episode 1: Finding employment in NHK

Episode 2: Winning election to the House of Councillors from rank 16th

Episode 3: Meeting with my 'teachers ' called children

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