

Secret #4

Make Time for Both Work and Play

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Ever hear the expression: “Live a balanced life”?

In the business world, it’s important for managers to be aware of the right trade-offs to be successful. You always want to invest in a business with managers who make good decisions.

Evaluating trade-offs and making the right decisions are also important in life—like choosing when to study, watch TV, be on the computer, or play video games. I recommend studying every day and trying to learn something you didn’t know before.

So remember: It’s important to make the right trade-offs between work and play so you can have a balanced life.

A few months ago, the *Secret Millionaires Club* kids learned this lesson when Lisa showed up for a meeting very distracted and run-down. It was clear that between homework, softball practice, taking pictures for a photography contest, and running in the Feetathon Race for Charity, Lisa was trying to do way too much.



At the same time, a local Italian cafe owner, ENZO, was spending every waking minute working in his restaurant. But no matter how hard and long he worked, Enzo couldn't get more customers into his restaurant. Like Lisa, poor Enzo was running himself ragged.

Radley, Elena, Jones, Starty—and yes, even Lisa—came up with lots of ideas for bringing in new customers, but nothing worked until both Lisa and Enzo realized that they needed more balance in their lives.



Keeping up with her schoolwork and running in the Feetathon Race for Charity were the most important things on Lisa's "To Do" list so she decided to drop off the softball team and planned to enter the photography contest *next* year.



At the same time, Enzo realized he missed visiting with friends and neighbors so he entered the Feetathon Race for Charity as well.

During the race, the chef was able to see old friends, make *new* friends, and tell everyone about his restaurant. And wouldn't you know it, after the race, his cafe was packed with customers.



From that day forward, both Lisa and Enzo dedicated themselves to only doing those things that were most important to them and to keep a balance between work and play!

As I always like to say, “The more you learn, the more you’ll earn,” so remember:

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