

DON'T BE AFRAID TO DREAM

I have written this report in the hopes that it will help some of you get closer to achieving your dream, and not get too discouraged when the road gets rocky. Starting a business is a scary prospect, and an online business is no exception. Making the decision to go after your dream of working from home can be very difficult – whether it is starting a business or finding freelance work you can do from home. You will have your doubts, and you will have your doubters, but in the end, what matters is that you gave it your all. If you do that, you will find a way to make your dreams happen.

So, I hope you can find some kind of inspiration in this report. I would appreciate hearing your comments, good or bad. I'm not promising to give you all the answers you will need, because I honestly don't have them. I am hoping only to offer you all some kind of support – remember, we are all in this together! If you would like to comment, feel free to email me at:

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About Me

If you would like some background info about me, I am a stay at home/work at home mom of 2 beautiful little girls. They are my main priority, and they take up a lot of my time. But, I have made a commitment to starting a business and I work on it whenever I can, (usually the middle of the night!). So, I know firsthand the ups and downs of doing this.

My husband is a truck driver, and is away from home a lot of the time. This was another motivating factor in my business decision. I want him to be able to be home, and watch his children grow, so I am determined to make things work for me.

I have come a long way in the past few years online, and have learned a great deal. It hasn't always been easy, but I hope that I can show you it is possible if you are willing to try and don't give up.

There are so many options available to women now who want to be able to wrk from home, and enjoy the chance to be with their children, yet still be able to have income and enjoyment of a career of their own. The possibilities are endless, and I know there have been many women who have been able to find this freedom.

Enjoy the report, and I wish you all the success in the world!

Thank you.

(Feel free to pass this report on to a friend!)

Marie

Making money on the internet is not easy, contrary to what many others will tell you. And, deciding to start a business or start working from home isn't easy either. It takes a great deal of time and effort, and it will require total commitment. You will need to have a sincere desire to succeed, and be willing to keep going when you feel like just giving up (and you are going to feel like that more than you can imagine!).

I am not writing this to discourage you from trying - in fact, I am hoping to do the opposite. I want to encourage you to go after your dreams, but I want you to be prepared for what is ahead. It is possible to succeed, but you have to be willing to put an honest effort into it. It isn't going to happen overnight, and it isn't going to be easy. You can't listen to the people who are trying to sell you on the belief that you can make massive amounts of money, with little work, and in no time at all. It just isn't going to happen like that, or everyone would be doing it.

The biggest obstacle you are going to have to overcome is **FEAR**. Fear of the unknown, fear of change, and the biggest – *fear of failure*. Fear is always at the root of failure, and prevents most people from following their dreams. They fail to try.

"The only people who never fail are those who never try."

--Ilka Chase

When I first started out, I wasn't sure exactly what I was going to do, but I knew that I wanted to be able to stay at home with my 2 little girls, and I hoped to be able to earn enough that my husband could give up his job as a truck driver, and stay at home with his family. It hasn't happened yet, but I know that someday it will.

Along the way, I have become very excited at times, sure that I had found the answer; and there have been times when I have been very discouraged. I have felt very alone at times, sure that everyone around me were just rolling their eyes at what I was trying to do, and waiting for me to give up. I have sat up late almost every night since I started, working after my kids were in bed. And, so many times I began to think I was just wasting my time, and it was just never going to happen for me.

It can be so upsetting to be “taken in” yet again, by the next product being thrown around. But, every now and then I would stumble onto something that actually did provide some useful information, maybe not all the answers I was hoping for, but just a little something here or there that would make me think, “Hey, I didn’t know about that!” And, eventually I was able to start putting some the pieces together from the information I was gathering.

Would you like to know what my biggest hurdle has been? It wasn’t a lack of money or lack of knowledge (which I was seriously lacking in both!), it was a fear of actually **getting started!** I was afraid to start – I couldn’t even see it myself – because I was afraid that if I did, I was committing myself to eventually failing! I know it sounds strange, but I bet a lot of people go through the same feeling without ever knowing that is all that is stopping them.

"It is hard to fail, but it is worse never to have tried to succeed."

--Theodore Roosevelt

It took me months to actually sit down and make myself get started. Until then, I had downloaded every info product – report, ebook, guide – I could find. I would print them off then read them, thinking that I was actually doing something to get me where I wanted to go. Over and over I did this until one day, I just sat and looked around at all of my “money-making guides” -- they were everywhere! On my desk, under my bed, on my bookshelf, and finally I realized that although I was learning and studying to get started, I wasn’t actually *doing* anything to get experience. I was getting nowhere closer to reaching my goals than when I began! Finally, I decided I needed to do something – anything! – just to get started. By now, I had the idea of what I wanted to do, so I just went ahead and took a leap!

"Don't be afraid to take a big step. You can't cross a chasm in two small jumps."

--David Lloyd George

Now, you have to know that I had absolutely no background experience with computers, or the internet, or any kind of technology really! But, I went to Blogger and I started my first blog. Not a big deal by many standards, but it gave me the confidence I needed to take a bigger step. And, I was surprised at how simple it really was to get set up. I had to go through a lot of trial and error, and I'm still changing things as I learn more, but I was pretty proud of what I had managed to get going.

I have gone on and learned so many new things, and I am still learning. The difference is now I am not so afraid to try new things. I realize that this is always going to be a learning process, and I am always going to have to be willing to take some risks. But, I believe that the end result will be worth it. I am just so glad that I took that initial step to get started, otherwise I know I would have just given up and thought it just wasn't going to be possible. That is the message I really want to emphasize here – it is possible for anyone, ***you just have to start somewhere.***

"To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe."

--Anatole France

Now, I would like to say that getting over your fear, and getting started are your only obstacles, but that just isn't the case. You also need to **BELIEVE** that what you are setting out to do is going to happen. You need to **BELIEVE** that you deserve it, and you need to **BELIEVE** that you can do it. The thoughts you have going on in your head can often deter you from taking any kind of action. We are constantly watching other people succeeding around us, and we think that maybe it just isn't meant to be for us.

You need to stop the negative talk in your mind that is telling you that this just isn't possible. The next time you have one of those thoughts, when you have had a bad day and you think that you are getting nowhere, I want you to see these words written in your mind instead: ***I BELIEVE THAT I CAN DO THIS, I DESERVE IT!***

We are all going to have those days. Sometimes, the best thing to do is just walk away from what you are trying to do, and go and clear your mind. Take a break, even pull this report back out and read it. Sometimes you just need to hear someone else say that you can do it, even if you don't know them personally.

So, now we have covered fear and believing in what you are doing, but sometimes you are also going to need a good dose of **FAITH**. I don't mean start going to church and praying kind of faith – I mean faith that what you are working towards will eventually pay off. Faith means you stick to whatever you are doing long enough to get some kind of results, even if you have no idea of how well things are going to work out. Faith is just a larger version of hope. When you have hope, you want to achieve your goals, and you make the wish – with faith you **KNOW** that something will happen. Even if you don't accomplish exactly what you set out to do, you know that at least you will learn something, and you will try again.

"We must walk consciously only part way toward our goal, and then
leap in the dark to our success."

--Henry David Thoreau

To sum up what I hope to achieve in this report for you, is to inspire you to go for whatever you are dreaming. Take some kind of action. Do not be afraid of the unknown – ***you will never know what could have been, if you spend all of your time worrying about what might happen.***

"I'd rather be a could-be if I cannot be an are;
because a could-be is a maybe who is reaching for a star.
I'd rather be a has-been than a might-have-been, by far;
for a might have-been has never been, but a has was once an are."

--Milton Berle

I really do hope that you all can achieve some success, and when you do, remember to pass it on. And, when you start feeling discouraged, remember that we are all either feeling the same way now, or we once did.

Read this report, then I want you to go and perform some kind of action that will start you on your road to success. Keep believing, and don't give up.

To your success,

Marie

"Nothing happens unless first a dream."

--Carl Sandburg

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