Why Is Good Decision Making An Important Skill?



How good are you at decision making? It's a strange question but something that has the potential of making a huge impact on all areas of your life. In short, it's a question well worth pondering.





Why is great decision making such an important skill? It's because it affects every area of your life. Let's start with your job or career. The higher you move up the corporate ladder, the more responsibility you get. In turn, that means that you have to make more decisions, make them quickly, and of course make the right choices. It's no wonder that decision making is one of the most critical skills we look for in anyone in a leadership position. Improve your decision-making skills, and you improve your chances of moving up into a leadership position. That should mean more money, and potentially more job security (provided you keep making great decisions).





Now let's look at your personal life. The decisions you make there also have a significant impact. Choosing the right spouse can have a massive effect on the years to come. So does your choice of where to live and what house to buy for example. It will impact your children (depending on how good the school systems are in your town), and of course, it will affect your net worth as real estate values go up or down.





But it isn't just the big decisions that have a big impact on our quality of life. It's also the small stuff, like picking the right foods to eat that stop you becoming overweight and adding to your health risks. It's also making or not making little everyday purchases that can either lead to a mountain of consumer debt or a sound and secure financial future.





Do you see how your decision-making skills have an impact on just about every area of your life? For example, the decision to use your time wisely will determine how much free time you have. Time for activity and fun with loved ones or enjoying your favorite hobby.





I encourage you to examine the decisions you're making right now (both big and small) to find out how your skills are measuring up. Then challenge yourself to become better at decision making in general. There's a lot you can do to learn to make better decisions and to make them in a timely fashion. Don't you owe it to yourself and your loved ones to give yourself the best possible shot to craft the life you want? Getting good at making the right choices is a big part of that.





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