

# MAN IN THE ARENA

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“It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. **The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena**, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who **strives valiantly**; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is **no effort without error and shortcoming**; but who **does actually strive to do the deeds**; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, who **spends himself in a worthy cause**; who at the best knows **the triumph of high achievement**, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least **fails while daring greatly**, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know **neither victory nor defeat.**” ”

– THEODORE ROOSEVELT

