



“PERSEVERANCE” IN ACTION

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Perseverance is the determination to keep moving forward despite obstacles, setbacks, or challenges. It means staying committed to your goals, learning from difficulties, and refusing to give up when the journey becomes hard.

Please note: Hyperlinks are included, where applicable, for easy searching.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FILMS

Mulan (1998)
Akeelah and the Bee (2006)
Up (2009)

BOOKS

Madelin fin and the library dog by Lisa Papp
Whistle for Willie by Ezra Jack Keats
Rosie Revere, Engineer by Andrea Beaty

MIDDLE/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

FILMS

The Karate Kid (1984)
Rudy (1993)
Soul Surfer (2011)

BOOKS

Radiant by Vaunda M. Nelson
Echo Mountain by Lauren Wolk
Thirst by Varsha Bajaj

HIGH SCHOOL & ADULTS

FILMS

Rocky (1976)
The Pursuit of Happiness (2006)
The Secret Life of Walter Mitty (2013)

BOOKS

Osu by Sensei Sarhn
7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens by Sean Covey
You've got This By Domonique Bertolucci