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# EXPLORE-DREAM-DISCOVER

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Early Edition

## M<sup>4</sup> Marilyn's Monday Morning Message

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Mark Twain famously observed, "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines, sail away from safe harbor, catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." This sentiment encapsulates the spirit of pioneers, both past and present, who have propelled progress through qualities such as persistence, strategic thinking, positivity, risk-taking, effective communication, and innovation. They also recognize that failure is an inherent part of the journey and view setbacks as proximate steps toward success.

Achievement often involves transforming challenges into opportunities. In my personal experience, I transitioned into a digital artist after redesigning the cover of a publication for my business. Through the use of computer technology, I developed proficiency in connecting lines to images and applying color overlays. It is unlikely that I would have produced over 350 pieces of art in five years had I been content with the original publication cover.

Similarly, Walt Disney expanded his creative vision beyond animation to establish theme parks and an educational institution, demonstrating the power of thinking beyond conventional boundaries. Scientific advancements also exemplify this principle: had researchers been satisfied with the initial capabilities of X-rays, medical imaging innovations such as CT and MRI might not have been developed. Through imaginative thinking and technological progress, these modalities rapidly demonstrated their transformative impact.

## MAJOR POINT

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Embracing the philosophy of Explore-Dream-Discover serves as a pathway to greater achievement. It is worth recalling that Thomas Edison invented the phonograph by utilizing tin-coated cylinders equipped with dual needles—one for recording sound and another for playback—illustrating how innovation often builds upon existing ideas to reach new heights.



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