# JOURNAL OF A RANDOM TEENAGER

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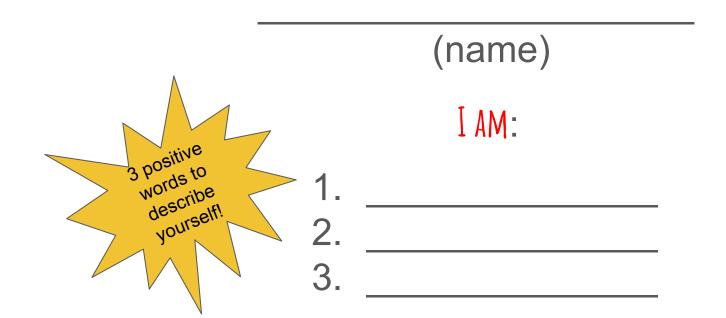


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#### About the author:

Born in Slidell, Louisianna, Logan is a 16 year old honors student who loves to golf. When he's not on the golf course, Logan can be found learning investment trends, gaming, playing basketball in his neighborhood, and fishing. When Logan wants to relax, he binges on Netflix and TikTok. He likes to cook and write. Logan serves his community through First Tee of Greater New Orleans, Hammond-Northshore Chapter of Jack & Jill of America Inc., Junior Zulu, and Studer Community Institute. In a nutshell, Logan is an innovative socialpreneur, competitive golfer, and resilient leader.

## THIS JOURNAL BELONGS TO:



### HOW DO YOU FOCUS ON YOUR DREAMS...

...when LIFE demands so much of you, like **School**, **Church**, **Work**, **Parents**, **Teachers**, **Friends** and **Coaches**?

First, you must be grateful that you have so many people in your corner, but to complete all of your tasks *and* focus on your DREAMS, you must plan and prepare for the setbacks.

See, I started writing this book six years ago. My goal was to publish it much sooner, but LIFE got in the way. LIFE meaning NBA 2k20, procrastination, fear, Netflix, TikTok... you get the idea. Then came *COVID-19*, so to make good use of my time at home, I began writing again. This time, taking baby steps to reach my larger goal.

Basically, I took this obstacle, aka "Rona," and allowed this Journal to grow from it! I hope my story helps YOU get back on track.

### SO WHAT IS THIS?

I wanted to keep it very simple. This is a journal designed to focus on personal developmental themes each month. The idea is to create goals and push yourself to complete them. The journal tracks each month of the school year from August to May. Best of luck!

August: Plan

**September: Confidence** 

**October: Authentic** 

**November: Failure** 

**December: Grit** 

January: Judgment

February: Manners

March: Leadership

**April: Focus** 

May: Reflection

## "If you don't PLAN your school year, the school year Will PLAN you"

~LB<sup>3</sup>

Plan /plan/ Verb. to decide on and arrange in advance.

THIS SCHOOL YEAR.	I PLAN TO ACCOMPLISH	THE FOLLOWING GOALS:
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1.\_\_\_\_\_(school)

2. \_\_\_\_\_(community)

3. \_\_\_\_\_(passion)

"The moment we see our potential & self-confidence, we become better."~LB3

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# "It's ok to be AUTHENTIC. It's much easier than being fake."~I B3

#### Au-then-tic /ə-'then-tik/ Adjective. of undisputed origin; genuine.

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"FAILURE is the soasoning that makes SUCCESS taste so good!" ~I B<sup>3</sup>

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Fail·ure	/ˈfāl-yər/ Noun.	the omission	of expected	or required action.
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"True GRIT is finding the strength to stay focused enough to carry out the full task." **Grit** /grit/ Noun. courage and resolve; strength of character.

#### WHEN IT FEELS LIKE I CAN NOT TAKE ANOTHER STEP, I USE GRIT TO:

1.\_\_\_\_\_(school)

2. \_\_\_\_\_(community)

3. \_\_\_\_\_(passion)

"It is easy to use good JUDGMENT when your mind is Still." ~LB3

Judg·ment /ˈjəj-mənt/ Noun. the ability to make considered decisions or come to sensible conclusions.

	I	USE	MY	BEST	JUDGMENT	WHEN:
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2. \_\_\_\_\_(community)

3. \_\_\_\_\_(passion)

"Having good MANNERS is really simple.

Put **RESPECT** on everything you say & do."

~LB<sup>3</sup>

Man·ners /ˈma-nər/ Noun. a person's outward bearing or way of behaving toward others. respec
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I WILL RESPECT MYSELF AND OTHERS BY S	SHOWING GOOD MANNERS WHILE:
1	(school)
2	(community)
3	(passion)

"To be a good LEADER, you must be able to get people to do good things." ~LB3

 $Lead \cdot er \cdot ship \text{ /le-dar-, ship/ Noun. the initiative in an action; an example for others to follow.}$ 

THINGS I WILL DO TO BECOME A (BETTER	)LEADER:
1	(school)
2	(community
3.	(passion)

"When it seems hard to FOCUS, look back at the reason why you started." ~LB3

Fo·cus /ˈfō-kəs	Noun.	directed	attention.
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I WILL STAY FOCUSED ON WHAT'S IMPORT	ANT TO FINISH THIS YEAR STRONG BY:
1	(school)
2	(community
3	(passion)

"Reflection helps you SEE what you need to CHANGE to get better." ~LB3

Re-flec-tion /ri-'flek-shən/ Noun. the production of an image by or as if by a mirror.

MY REFLECTIONS ON WHY I SHOULD BE G	RATEFUL FOR WHAT I'VE ACCOMPLISHED THIS YEAR:
1	(school)
2	(community)
3.	(passion)

### IN CONCLUSION...

My best months of this school year were:

Overall, I improved in the following areas:

### NOTES: