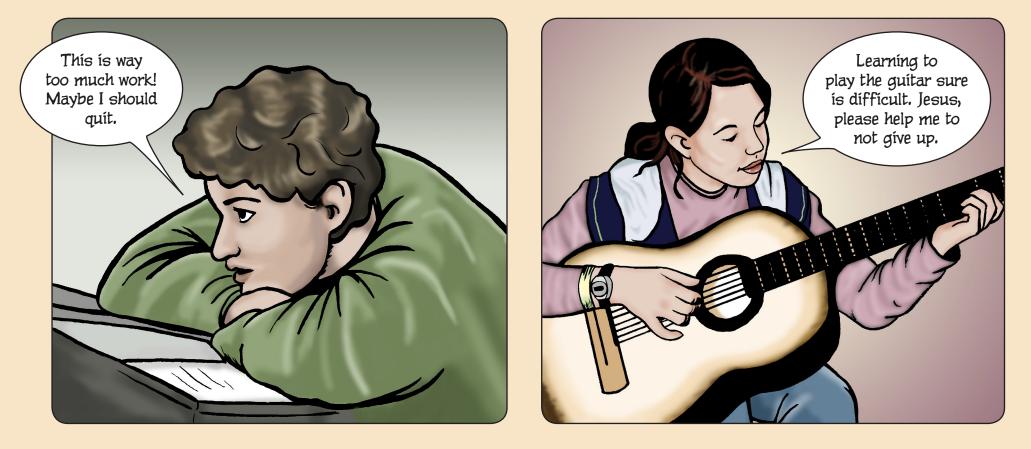
Sticking to the Job = Success!

Isn't it hard sometimes to stick to a project or assignment?

When you are faced with difficult long-term projects of any kind, you have to discipline yourself to stick to things and see them through.

Most valuable accomplishments, steps of progress, or discoveries are achieved very slowly, one tiny baby step at a time. Success is just following through.



No matter what the task, whether it is schoolwork, learning to play an instrument, mastering a specific skill or a foreign language, it will be worth it to apply yourself and stick it out to the end.

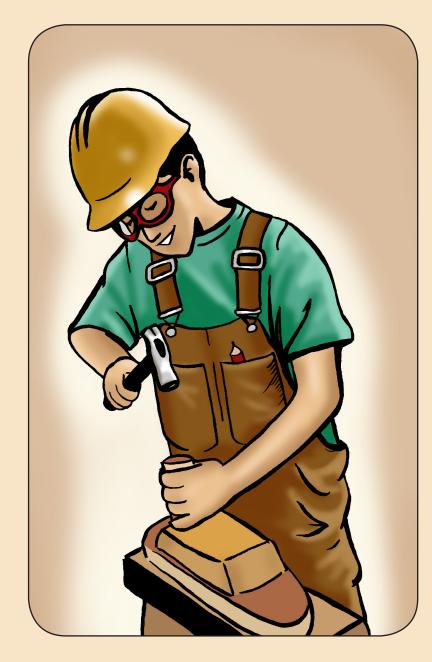




Take Thomas Edison, for instance. He applied himself, did not quit, and invented amazing things, such as the light bulb, the microphone, and a movie machine. His inventions are the result of sticking with the task in order to reap the results.

He is often quoted as saying, "Genius is 10% inspiration and 90% perspiration."

What does that mean? There were likely times when his inspiration ran thin, when he tried and failed, and tried and failed again, and there was no more motivation to push him along. But because he didn't give up, we now benefit from his inventions.



In order to apply yourself to your studies, to master a foreign language, to learn a certain skill, you have to determine that you're going to see it through, with or without the inspiration that you began with. Commit to it. That's how you'll make yourself push past the difficulties, and that's how you'll succeed!

Inspiration and emotions are fleeting, but hard work and perseverance can be done anytime.

Pray for perseverance and dedication. Then buckle down and be willing to do the hard work to see things through! The results you'll reap will be long-lasting.



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