

TITLE : ME, A WINNER

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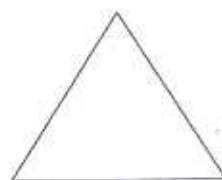
Bobby and Jyothi are husband and wife, who relish writing on variety of subjects. This is their first book together. The book is about discovering that life is not just about education and a career, and a means to an end. It explores the fantastic possibilities that remain beyond the horizon of hope of dreams and teaches how to totter in those hopes within touching distance. 'Can I reach there with this formula?' is the thought that hankers as one takes a journey within as much as the most impossible of dreams can come true. The simple condition is BELIEVE. Just that, Believe in yourself, your dreams, and in your determination to succeed and you have a winner at hand. Go ahead and try it." Such is the observation made by Nina Reddy, Executive Director Savera Group of Hotels.

The twelve chapters of the book recount in plain language the narrator's physical as well as spiritual journey towards self-awareness. These twelve chapters are his progressive steps to discern the 'Me' in him. It is like the peeling of an onion, layer to reveal his hidden potentials he was not aware of so far. In this self-learning process, he also apprehends how wonderful and pragmatic his help-mate is-an irrefutable fact which he has neither recognized nor acknowledged till date. This conceding comes with the inevitable crash when he is thrown out of the job-a drastic event to initiate him into wisdom.

The narrator takes a stock of his own self, a kind of mental SWOT analysis and receives silently several "Flash Intelligence Download", to quote his own words. The first 'Flash' is to know of the other side of his wife he had never seen-a learning that one should try to understand the other side of any person. He accepts: "Perhaps it was always there, perhaps it was something that I had never wanted to see, or perhaps it was something that I never thought existed in her". This is a sure lesson indeed to all menfolk and will affect all feministic outbursts! The next 'Flash' is his realization that he had "stopped learning, stopped listening, and stopped seeing". The third 'Flash' during the same night is the 'Performance Triangle'-a positive lesson to all. The triangle comprising the components Respect, Delivery and Responsibility, is interconnected and has no single stand-alone character. The narrator, out of his own experiences, provides explication to each of the linked components. Delivery means the daily deliverables both in the organisation and in the family and, from that capability comes Responsibility, the competency to handle one's position in the organization and family. From Responsibility evolves Respect. He now makes a constructive statement: "Respect is not given, they say, it is earned. That is the truth. Respect is given to those who are capable of delivering their responsibilities in the best manner."

Respect

Delivery



Responsibility