

Chapter 02

The Entrepreneurial Mind: Crafting a Personal Entrepreneurial Strategy

True / False Questions

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True False
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3. In the context of entrepreneurial behavior, the need for affiliation is the need to excel.

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5. All successful business people share characteristics of raw energy and intelligence.

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7. Successful entrepreneurs possess a well-developed capacity to exert influence without formal power.

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8. Entrepreneurs are self-starters who are internally driven by a strong desire to compete and attain challenging goals.

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9. Research has shown that an entrepreneur is more driven by the conservation of resources, whereas a manager is more opportunity-driven.

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10. Studies show a strong connection between the presence of role models and the emergence of entrepreneurs.

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11. Entrepreneurs are their own bosses and completely independent.

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12. Successful entrepreneurs seek power and control over others.

True False

Multiple Choice Questions

13. Which of the following is defined as the need for measurable personal accomplishment?

- A. The need for achievement
- B. The need for power
- C. The need for affiliation
- D. The need for attachment

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15. Which of the following volumes of the Praeger Perspectives proceeds through the life cycle of a new venture startup by tackling several key steps in the course of action?

- A. People
- B. Process
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16. Which of the following is not an entrepreneurial attribute?

- A. Being a calculated risk taker
- B. Being a perfectionist
- C. Being obsessed with value creation
- D. Being intensely curious in the face of risk

17. In the context of creativity, self-reliance, and adaptability, which of the following attitudes of an entrepreneur is desirable?
- A. Skepticism about conflicts and failure
 - B. Ability to be a lone wolf
 - C. Restlessness with the status quo
 - D. High need for status and power
18. In the *troika* of the foundation of a successful new venture, which of the following is an external environmental influence?
- A. Value creation
 - B. Ethical behavior
 - C. Focus
 - D. Adaptability
19. Successful entrepreneurs consistently focus on:
- A. seizing a market-based opportunity.
 - B. obtaining resources.
 - C. networking.
 - D. making money.
20. When compared to an entrepreneur, a manager is more:
- A. resource-driven.
 - B. opportunity-driven.
 - C. creative.
 - D. innovative.
21. According to research, which of the following statements about entrepreneurs is false?
- A. Many successful entrepreneurs are well educated.
 - B. Most successful entrepreneurs start companies in their early 20s.
 - C. Most successful entrepreneurs follow a pattern of apprenticeship.
 - D. Family firms spawn entrepreneurs.
22. According to research studies on the career paths of entrepreneurs and the self-employed, which of the following is the central factor for a successful venture creation?
- A. Networking
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23. According to an old maxim, how long will venture capitalists work with a startup before declaring the company a "lemon"?
- A. Up to a year
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- A. Experimenting with new ideas
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25. Which of the following statements demystifies the myth that entrepreneurs are gamblers?
- A. Entrepreneurs consider an idea and an opportunity as the same.
 - B. Successful entrepreneurs try to influence the odds, often by getting others to share the risk.
 - C. Successful entrepreneurs are completely independent and their own bosses.
 - D. Entrepreneurs are driven by instant gratification through high salaries and perks.
26. Which of the following is a reality and not a persistent myth about entrepreneurs?
- A. Entrepreneurs are born, not made.
 - B. Entrepreneurs are gamblers.
 - C. Solo entrepreneurs limit their own potential for growth.
 - D. Entrepreneurs should be young, energetic, and in their 20s.
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33. An entrepreneur who displays a high energy level and a sense of urgency is known as a ____.

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Short Answer Questions

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Essay Questions

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Short Answer Questions

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(p. 30-31)

The Praeger Perspectives is a three volume series from 2007 that researched entrepreneurship from three perspectives: people, process, and place. This study brings together insights into the field of entrepreneurship by some of the leading scholars in the world. The first volume, *people*, takes a broad view of entrepreneurship as a form of human action, pulling together the current -research with respect to cognitive, economic, social, and institutional factors that influence entrepreneurial behavior. The second volume, *process*, proceeds through the life cycle of a new venture startup by tackling several key steps in the process: idea, opportunity, team building, resource acquisition, growth management, and entering global markets. The third volume in the series examines *place*, which refers to a wide and diverse range of contextual factors that influence the entrepreneur and the entrepreneurial process.

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High levels of uncertainty and rapid change characterizing new ventures require organizations that can respond quickly. The most successful entrepreneurial teams have the ability to focus on a goal with outstanding execution, while being flexible enough to shift when the market and circumstances require it. At the same time, entrepreneurs are not afraid of failing; rather, they are more intent on succeeding.

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Essay Questions

42. Discuss any two myths and realities about entrepreneurs.
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Myth 1—Entrepreneurs are born, not made.

Reality—While entrepreneurs are born with certain native intelligence, a flair for creating, and energy, these talents by themselves are like unmolded clay or an unpainted canvas. The making of an entrepreneur occurs by accumulating the relevant skills, know-how, experiences, and contacts over a period of years and includes large doses of self-development. The creative capacity to envision and then pursue an opportunity is a direct descendant of at least 10 or more years of experience that lead to pattern recognition.

Myth 2—Anyone can start a business.

Reality—Entrepreneurs who recognize the difference between an idea and an opportunity, and who think big enough, start businesses that have a better chance of succeeding. Luck, to the extent it is involved, requires good preparation. The easiest part is starting. What is hardest is surviving, sustaining, and building a venture so its founders can realize a harvest. Perhaps only one in 10 to 20 new businesses that survive five years or more results in a capital gain for the founders.

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43. Describe at least three important aspects of courage in entrepreneurship.
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Courage has at least three important aspects in entrepreneurship. The first aspect is moral strength and principles. This refers to the character and the personal integrity to know right from wrong, and the will and commitment to act accordingly. The second aspect of courage is being a fearless experimenter. Fearless experimentation suggests restlessness with convention and a rejection of the status quo. This relentless experimentation is enhanced by a third aspect of courage, which is a lack of fear of failing at the experiment and a lack of fear of conflicts that may arise. In other words, there is a mental toughness that is quite impervious to fears but is not ignorant or oblivious to possible consequences.

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