

## EXERCISE 14

Human life consists of a succession of small events, each of which is comparatively unimportant and yet the happiness and success of every man depends upon the matter in which these small events are dealt with. Character is built upon little things—little things well and honourably transacted. The success of a man in business depends upon his attention to little things. The comfort of a household is the result of small things well arranged. Good Government can only be accomplished in the same way by well-regulated provisions for the doing of little things.

Accumulation of knowledge and experience of the most valuable kind are the result of little bits of knowledge and experience carefully treasured up. Those who learn nothing or accumulate nothing in life are set down as failures, because they have neglected little things. They may themselves consider that the world has gone against them but, in fact, they have been their own enemies. There has long been a popular belief in 'good luck' but like many other popular notions it is gradually giving way. The conviction is extending that diligence is the mother of good luck; in other words, that a man's success in life will be proportionate to his efforts, to his industry, to his attention to small things.

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## Human Life : Succession of Small Events

Small events are the reason to human happiness and success. Even character building, success in business and good governance can be achieved by doing little things. Those who have not achieved or learned anything have ignored little things. There is belief in good luck but man's success in life depends on his attention to small things.