



GOTTA DANCE

Pursue your dreams.

In this webisode, the Secret Millionaires Club helps their friend Akim turn his passion into a job. Akim makes money by giving dance lessons. Like Akim, many people have turned their talents into a successful business. That's why it's important to follow your dreams and find a way to make a living doing what you love.

Following your passion is one of keys to success.

Ask kids: What are some things that you're really passionate or curious about? Is there something that you love that you think you could someday make a living doing?

Discuss with kids how they can achieve their goals.

If you have a job doing something you love, talk to your child about it. Doing well in school, developing skills, and building knowledge can help dreams become reality. Have your child list some goals and write down what it will take to achieve them. Include a time line for accomplishing the goals, and describe how it feels to imagine achieving them. Be sure to reinforce that it's okay if our dreams and goals change along the way.

Activities:

1. Invite kids to make a goals collage to help them plan for the future. Start by having them paste their photos in the middle of a large sheet of paper or poster board. Then have them cut out pictures from magazines and other materials that represent their goals. Want to win an Oscar? Learn to ride a horse? Travel to another country? Add photos symbolizing those goals. Include words, phrases, or quotes that reflect qualities they admire. Kids can even paste mementos or other small objects that relate to their dreams such as play stubs, baseball tickets, or travel brochures.
2. Does your budding artist or science whiz have a role model or a hero? Head to the library together and read about what people did to achieve their goals. Check out biographies about inspirational people who followed their passions at a young age and became successful.

Tip: Get kids talking about some of the things they enjoy most. Does your child like to bake? Then encourage your young chef to test out some recipes at home or sign up for a local cooking class. Does your child love animals? Consider volunteering at a local shelter together. Helping kids pursue their passions can lead them in the right direction in the future.

