

GOTTA DANCEPursue 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 key 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 kids about it. Doing well in school, developing skills, and building knowledge can help dreams become reality. Have club members list some goals and write down what it will take to achieve them. Have them include a timeline 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 each club member to make a goals collage to help plan for the future. Start by having kids paste photos of themselves in the middle of a large sheet of paper or poster board. Then have them cut out magazine pictures that represent their goals. Want to win an Oscar? Learn to ride a horse? Travel to another country? Add photos symbolizing those goals. Have kids include words, phrases, or quotes that reflect qualities they admire, along with mementos or small objects that relate to their dreams, such as playbills, baseball tickets, or travel brochures.
- Do the kids in your club have role models or heroes? Have kids research their heroes on the Internet, or head to the library together to 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 the things they enjoy most. Do they like to bake? Do they love animals? Encourage budding cooks to test out recipes at home (with parent supervision) or sign up for a local cooking class. Encourage animal fans to walk or babysit neighborhood pets. Helping kids pursue their passions can lead them in the right direction in the future.

