

11 Rules for Life

Here is advice straight off the internet attributed to computer guru Bill Gates. The belief is that today's teenagers have a limited concept of what life after school is all about. Whether the "rules" are really words of wisdom of advice from Mr. Gates or not we cannot say-but nevertheless they make interesting reading as they represent viewpoints not usually taught at school!

1. **Life is not fair-** get used to it
2. **The world won't care about your self-esteem.** The world will expect you to accomplish something before you feel good about yourself.
3. **You will not earn big money right out of high school.** You won't be a vice president with a car, cellphone and an expense account until you earn these privileges.
4. **If you think your teacher is tough, wait until you get a boss.** He will be far tougher.
5. **Flipping burgers is not beneath your.** Your grandparents had a different word for burger flipping. They called it opportunity.
6. **If you mess up, it's not your parents fault.** So don't whine about your mistakes. Learn from them.
7. **Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now.** They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you are. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try keeping your own bedroom clean and tidy.
8. **Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life has not.** In some schools they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as many times as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to anything in real life.
9. **Life is not divided into school terms.** You don't get four holidays a year and very few employers are interested in helping you find yourself. Do that in your own time.
10. **Television is not real life.** In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.
11. **Be nice to nerds.** Chances are you will end up working for one.