



# The Professionals of Tomorrow

How to stay ahead of the game  
and how to always be in the game

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# Who Is this???



Usain Bolt the fastest runner in the world

# Who is this???



Shelly Ann Fraser is the reigning Olympic champion and World champion over 100 metres, clocking a time of 10.78 and 10.73 respectively. She is the only female sprinter to hold both World and Olympic 100m titles simultaneously

# Who is this???



Digicel sixth's season  
2009 RISING STAR

**BROWN SUGAR**

# Who is this???



**Bill Gates**  
**Founder and Chairman of Microsoft**



**Steve Jobs**  
**Founder and Chairman of Apple**

# Who is this???



Bob Marley  
Reggae Pop Icon of the World



Michael Jackson  
King of Pop

# Who is this???



**Martin Luther King**

Leader of the Civil Rights Movement  
in the USA



**Barack Obama**

First Afro American President  
of the United States

# Who is this???



Bessie Coleman, the daughter of a poor, southern, African American family, became one of the most famous women and African Americans in aviation history. "Brave Bessie" or "Queen Bess," as she became known, faced the double difficulties of racial and gender discrimination in early 20th-century America but overcame such challenges to become the first African American woman to earn a pilot's license

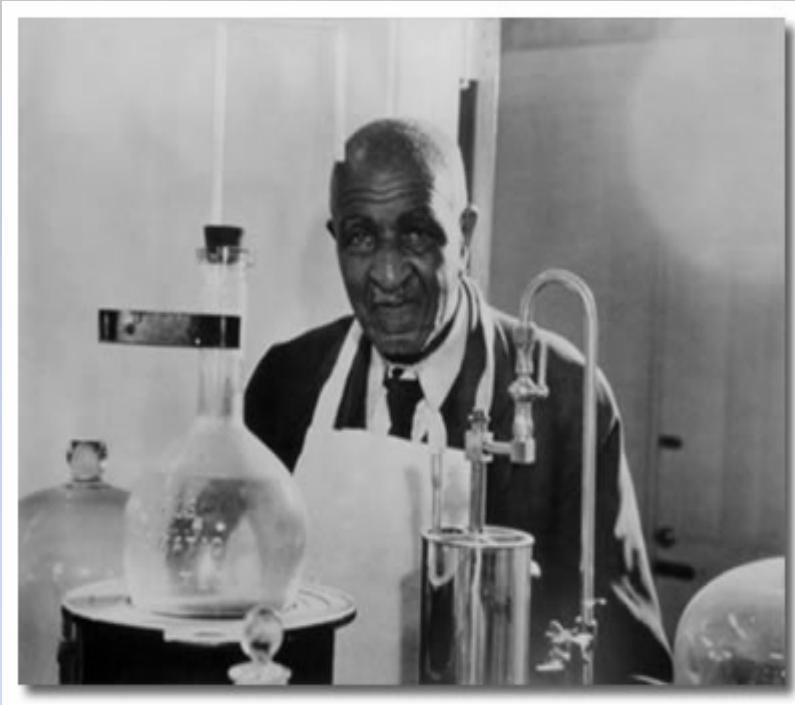
# Who is this???



**Dr Patricia Deleon of Jamaican origin** and is due to receive the United States Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring

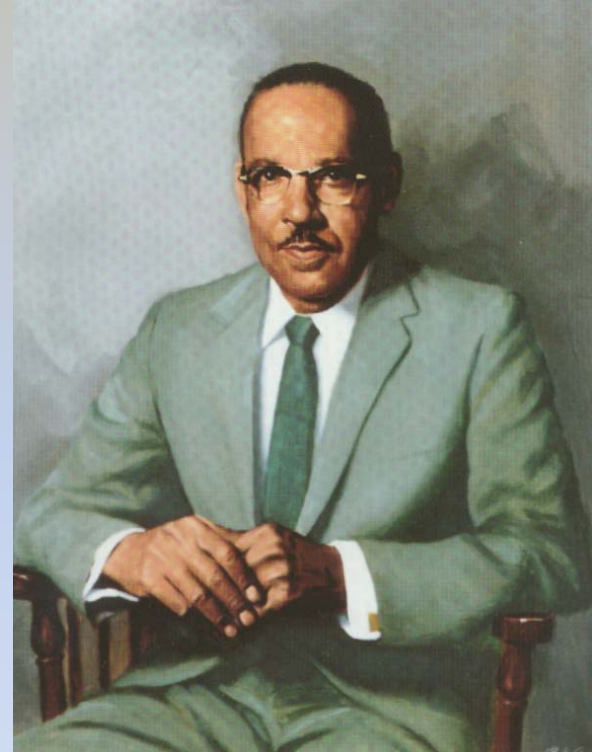
Dr Deleon is a distinguished professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Delaware

# Who is this???



## **George Washington Carver**

was an American scientist, botanist, educator and inventor whose studies and teaching revolutionized agriculture in the Southern United States



## **Vivien Thomas**

Was a surgical technician at the Johns Hopkins University who rose to ranks to perform cardiac surgery with some of the most prestigious surgeons on America

# Who is this???



## Edward Kennedy

He was the third longest Senator in the US history, whereby he served for 46 years.

Came from a prominent line of politicians  
John F. Kennedy – President of USA  
Robert Kennedy - Attorney General

Known as the **Lion of the Senate**

Presided over 300 bills being passed in Senate

# Who do you want to be??

This is the hardest question we all ask ourselves all throughout our lives

The first step of this journey begins **NOW** to do that soul searching and examine who we want to be

We should seek guidance if we are unsure , in order to get the help

You need to define your selves

**START NOW!!!**





# What are your options out there

- Engineers
- Aviators/ Astronauts
- Agronomists
- Business practitioners/executives
- Culinary Artists
- Performing Artists
- Hospitality
- Productive Services
- Law
- Religion and their related services



# What are your options out here



Firemen



Policemen



Nurses and  
health care providers



Teachers



Utility Workers

# How do we prepare

## HARDWORK AND DILIGENCE

Anything worth while in life and is meaningful, means that you have to make sacrifices and work hard to achieve this.

The race is not for the swift but for the sure footed



# How do we prepare EDUCATION ! EDUCATION! EDUCATION!

If you are not knowledgeable or skilled and do not have the proper education how will you achieve????

**You need to have the fundamentals**

**You need to be literate and well rounded**

**You must have an appreciation**

**to READ**



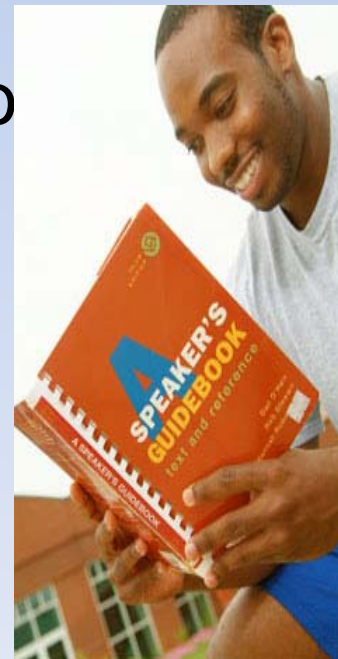
# Why we need to read

- To self actualize – how are we going to stay ahead of the game if we do not know what is happening in the world around us
- Reading means critical thinking which is lacking in Jamaica today – how many times you look and see unfortunate incidences and if persons rationalized maybe at times a life would be saved



# Why do we need to read

- To aspire to be the best – regardless of what we do in life
- Being the best in your area of specialty is the most rewarding and gratifying experience one can feel.
- Reading means that you will be relevant to survive in a dynamic and evolving environment
- Reading means that you will be recognized by your peers and you will be taken seriously



# How do we Define Success

In today's world we get caught up with the outward expressions of success – jewelry, cars, money

Perceived status of success is defined in this manner

But does this define the true success of a person?????????



# How should we define success

What have we done in our lives/ careers and what difference did it make to another human?



Being all those things mentioned above are just status symbols to success - how much of this can be defined as being real?

As the saying goes – **does clothes really make the man????**

# How should we define success?

A rapper – is his or her message inspiring or does it promote deviant behaviour

Your teachers – is the message positive and inspire you to learn

Your families - what are the values they teach you at home

And how do you translate it to the outer world

Your peers – do they uplift you or lead you to a path of destructive behaviour



# Your Outward Expression

ATTITUDE! ATTITUDE! ATTITUDE!!!

If you are nonchalant in your approach to everything who is going to take you serious

If you demonstrate that you don't care and you are simply going through the motions – what jobs do you think you will land.

Regardless of how you are socialized nobody owes you anything

Go out there and seek your **destiny!!!!**

# Your Outward Expression

If you dress sloppy and not presentable for the work world – remember you are writing your career path thus your own outward expression

If you do not demonstrate interest in your work, in today's world there will be someone out there who will.

Is this how you want people to perceive you ??????





# Carpe Diem

## SEIZE THE DAY!!!

This means when opportunities present themselves **GRAB THEM!!!**

While you are in school – be a sponge and learn – write your legacy from now and make people take notice of you

When you are in the working world, prove to your superiors and peers that you are the best person for the job – do your best everyday



# AD ASTRA PER ASPERA

## THROUGH DIFFICULTIES TO THE STARS

Anything worthwhile in life is worth a challenge

Endure the journey

Enjoy the journey

Never look back

Be the best

Make a difference

