



REFLECTIONS ON GRADUATION

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We graduates are ready for a new stage of life. It is time to start our journey in pursuit of our goals and dreams.

Abraham Lincoln said, “The best way to predict your future is to create it.” We may be anxious about having no rules or instructions to follow, and about having to deal with everything on our own. But this is precisely how we can create our own path to reality and reach out for what we want to do. There are many challenges and adventures ahead. They are the driving force behind our attempts to strive for our goals. In fact, we can achieve anything if we believe in ourselves. We can create our own future. Lessons learnt from the past can give us confidence, and we can be anything we want to be.

The sad news for us graduates, however, is that we are all going to lose something we may have taken little account of amid our obsession with our studies. And the sadness is about having to say goodbye to our teachers. There is the teacher who tries persistently to wake up someone who dozes off in class. There is another who shows affection by constantly reminding us of stubborn

mistakes such as the misuse of “there has” instead of “there is” . What about the patience of the teacher who explains the same concept over and over again to us? Do we realize how our teachers sacrifice their leisure time and work till late at night thinking of games or activities just to spark our interest in learning? Our teachers always seem to know what we are weak at and help us seek improvement because of their attention to our daily work. We ought also to think of the support from the teachers who offer help even before we approach them with our requests.

But the good news is that they will always be in our hearts as long as we know how to be grateful. I believe the best way to repay our teachers for all their efforts is by living up to their expectations.

I would like to express my most sincere appreciation to all the teachers and those who have helped us for being considerate, for always seeing to our needs, for making us better persons, and, above all, for their dedication to quipping us for future society.