

Create Yourself to be Yourself  
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While developing the idea of my project I was thinking that maybe I did not want to make the project too personal in terms of sharing my story. I have spent a significant amount of time trying to look for logic of studies and experiences of others to mold into my own philosophy and structure of my project. However, I think that by not focusing on what has ignited my passion for this project is doing a disservice to both my story, and the overall strengthening opportunity of this project. Therefore, I have decided that it is best to begin writing my story and how I have gotten to my philosophy and why I believe how I can inspire and move people to believe they can create their own story. I thought that my talking about myself, it may seem self-centered. However, I understand that my intention is not that. Rather, I want to be a light in a world of lots of darkness. I know that my story has darkness and I have found ways to ignite a spark in the darkest of rooms. I think that by writing my story and taking readers through the journey of the creation of my perspective will open a world of understanding, inspiration, and light.

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My mentor and I have met two times in the past month. During our call also week we discussed my development of ideas on pursuing your own dreams and a theory based on the Maslow hierarchy of needs. My advisor sent me two readings/studies on entrepreneurs and how the characteristics of the Type A personality can be seen in adolescent and may be an indicator of an entrepreneur later in life. I read those two articles and enjoyed taking notes on some findings from a study.

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I have structured topics in which I will be covering and developed prompts and places to begin supporting research outside of my own experiences. Also, I have begun writing the content and drafting the initial draft of my book.