



OF CONFIDENCE

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ABSTRACT:

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INTRODUCTION

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform, rather it reveals. So it bears no reference. The best creative writing is critical, and the best critical writing is creative. This article is an outcome of thinking about creative writing meant for a general readership. As such, I have adopted a free style methodology so that everyone can enjoy the pleasure of reading. As you might know, Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal essayist, wrote many essays namely 'Of Love', 'Of Friendship', 'Of Ambition', 'Of Studies', and so on. The multiple-minded genius correctly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be used as themes for essays. But little has been done since his death to continue or finish his monumental task. Bacon's unique individual style of presentation ignited my imagination and encouraged me to write creative essays as a method of relieving a wide range of emotions through catharsis.

ARTICLE

Confidence is a feeling or belief that one can firmly trust or rely on somebody, somebody's ability or something that is said, reported, etc. It is a feeling of certainty or trust in one's own ability. It is a secret told to somebody. It is self-assurance arising from an appreciation of one's abilities. It is the telling of private matters or secrets with mutual trust. It is a secret or private matter told to someone under a condition of trust.

Confidence is the alias of psychic force. It acts as the driving force of mankind. A man having no confidence may be compared with a dead man. To an optimist or an opportunist it is a good tool for achieving objectives.

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Over ambition invites failure and thereby welcomes frustration. Sometimes failure renders him furious against the person the cause of failure or hindrance towards success.

Again, utter failure paves the way for committing suicide. Those who commit suicide do not know that life has its sweet side too. So, over confident or over ambitious people should judge their capability in the light of reality, feasibility, validity along with their disability as well. They should know that ability without feasibility is also disability. As such they say over ambition is better than no ambition at all. Then at least the person will be able to lead a simple life at least.

It is easier to earn anything but difficult to hold it for long. In known or suitable environment confidence works well. But an expert seldom cares for it. He can show his expertise always. But confidence fails when the field is changed. For example, a mathematician cannot solve the problem of history. To him history always remains as mystery. Similarly, to an historian mathematics is always obscure. A murderer can easily murder but cannot face the interview board which a scholar faces at ease and gets the job.

But confidence of the said scholar fails if he is asked to murder a person against a good payment. Thus confidence should be judged in the light of concerned field or expertise.

In fact all jobs are not for all.

Trust, belief, faith, credence, conviction, self-assurance, self-possession, assertiveness, poise, aplomb, phlegm,

courage, boldness, mettle, nerve, secret, intimacy, optimist, hopeful, sanguine, sure, certain, positive, convinced, in no doubt, assured, self-reliant, cool-headed, level-headed, unperturbed, imperturbable, unruffled, at ease, are different forms and features of confidence. Opposite of confidence is skepticism, doubt.

Confidence gives birth to pride that invites downfall, since pride goes before a fall. It is a feeling of reliance or certainty. But certainty is a vague or baseless term. In this world, everything is uncertain. Only death is sure and sent percent certain. But, the occurrence of certain death is quite uncertain. Thus, certainty is controlled by uncertainty. Nobody knows when a man will die. Conversely, uncertainty is also controlled by certainty.

Confidence is a sense of self-reliance or boldness. A courageous man is bold. But boldness vanishes when footsteps of death are heard. Very few people can face and welcome death confidently. Only a saint welcomes death with a smiling face. The learned knows that death paves his way to meet the Almighty at His heavenly abode.

Take somebody into one's confidence is to tell somebody one's secrets, etc. Something told confidentially means the person will not disclose the secret. The former person is a confident one. In somebody's confidence means trusted with somebody's secret. But if the matter is disclosed then the second is a treacherous one. So, before communicating any secret matter reliability of the person should be considered to avoid future complications.

Confidence trick or confidence game is an act of tricking or cheating somebody by first gaining their trust. Common people can be trusted. Also common people trust others easily. Only few uncommon people betray. Confidence man is a person who robs or swindles by means of a confidence trick. It is really an individual style quite unique in nature.

Yes man is a not at all a weak person. Someone may wrongly consider such a person as a weak one for his tender behavior. Rather he is a wicked person. He is a finished scoundrel. He is wicked to the backbone. The merit of a yes man is that he can easily be molded. The demerit of a wicked man is that he can easily be molded. Thus they have no locus standee at all. Even God can do any mistake. But this type of Satan seldom commits any mistake. They have many flaws. But their judgments are flawless. It is quite peculiar and interesting as well.

The paradox is that a yes man always agrees with the people in authority in order to gain their approval. But this yes man cannot be relied at all. They are only yes to whom who favours them. Profit is their single agenda. With the change of political color they change their jersey. Then they cannot recognize the person who helped them in distress.

Gratitude is absent in their dictionary. They are so notorious. But this change of jersey is also seen in case of bold person also. Politicians are its best practitioners. In fact an opportunist always changes his color that suits him best at any particular period. In politics there is no permanent friend or foe only there lies permanent

interest. And this interest though constant in nature is nurtured judging instant situation that confirms better return.

Confidence level is the probability that the value of a parameter falls within a specified range of values. Confidence level of a good student is very high. A good student does not write different thing, but writes differently thereby achieves greatness. He differs in style.

His way of representation is quite different which is rare individual style. And manifestation of greatness depends on the strength of confidence of the good student.

Thus where goodness ends greatness begins. Expert people have confidence. Novice has no confidence. Weakness, ignorance are the enemy of confidence. Money, good health, property, musclemen offer confidence.

Confidence has its most practical importance. A millionaire may be penniless due to lack of confidence and a penniless may be a millionaire for having confidence. Thus confidence is alias and akin to virtual cash which more valuable than actual cash. An intelligent person may fail his nerve but a confident person seldom be afraid. A man cannot hold his fortune for long due to flaw in judgment. But judgment is not all. A man having clarity of thought but no confidence will experience defeat in every sphere of life.

But a man having less intelligence but full of confidence will exist at least. But without confidence his existence will face danger always.

They say, the fittest survives. And survival of the fittest depends on confidence. Thus, confidence sometimes is superior to intelligence and is akin to courage or stamina. Let two persons are of equal merit and differ in confidence. Then he, who has more confidence, is superior. Conversely, between two persons of equal confidence the superior is that one who is more intelligent. Now, between an intelligent and a confident person obviously, the intelligent person is superior more. Because intelligence is strength, like knowledge is power.

CONCLUSION

Confidence and intelligence are two personality traits which are complementary to each other. An ideal man possesses these two traits equally at highest level. And ideal is always unattainable. Common people possess it differently. And the combination of these two traits offers a character its uniqueness. These characteristics are responsible to build up personality that determines individual difference.

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No reference, since the present article is an outcome of Creative Writing