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First Impressions

First impressions are a very strong way we use to judge others and be judged by others when we meet them. Mine started on a bad note considering I was thirty minutes late. Aside from that the experience was great considering the stories of encouragement from the group from Technical University of Kenya. There stories are quiet an encouragement. They were also a good lesson including Kennedy who told us how naivity got him conned. To the lady who told us how she nearly lost her way in school because of the company she kept. The thing I got most from this is how your net worth is greatly determined by your network.

The strive to be able to talk and articulate yourself to people you meet was strongly emphasized. First being able to understand what is required of someone is shown. When asked the question of saying what you learnt about the person sitting next to us was a great show of it. I was happy to be able to understand what was required of me and being able to answer well was a good thing. Not being part of the so called ‘Matiangi “Es” ‘.



Bieng able to think on your feet is another thing I also picked up as an essential tool. This was demonstrated at the point when Ahmed was put to task on various occasions to explain some things in her life. Her decision to want to go to Harvard

was challenged by Dr. Weche. She had to show that the decision was purely hers and not informed by the knowledge that Dr. Weche is an alumni of the same school. Notwithstanding their ability to say what would warrant them joining the schools with the seven key things they need to have to be able to join the schools. This has shown me that I have to be a fast thinker and have everything on my fingertips.

I was also challenged to expand my knowledge on various things to be competitive in the global village. From learning a foreign language like Virginia to be able to communicate effectively with others in china. Compounded by Dr. Weches story of how he lost money not being able to communicate effectively with his suppliers and manufacturers. In addition to having to learn accounting so that he can verify that he has to fire the guyhe was paying too much money for no apparent reason.

I was able to ask a question in the session that was more targeted to my brother than me. It was instigated by the topic of dressing appropriately for different occasions. It was well answered and I had a big 'I told you so' for my brother when we spoke later. It resonated so well with what I had told him severally during our own banter.



I found the day very fulfilling and I learnt a lot during that day. I look forward to coming for more sessions as regularly as I can.