

## KNOWLEDGE IS POWER, IS A FALSE BELIEF

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Every year hundreds of people graduate from most prestigious colleges and universities around the world. For sure they are knowledgeable, but the concern is, why majority of them are still jobless, hopeless and powerless? If knowledge is power, then why with so many powerful intellectuals, our world still suffers?

Well, perhaps most of the graduates, especially many elites of Harvard, Yale, Oxford and Cambridge etc. think that by having their Diplomas in hand, they are automatically heading to a great destiny. And some may even believe they are just entitled. But the reality of life is somewhat different.

Well, if we just break the word 'Knowledge', we have 'Know' and 'Edge'. It means 'know the edge', i.e. being on the cutting edge of a subject matter.

Being knowledgeable is great and it certainly provides the competitive "edge", but it's just a potential of power, and not enough on its own. The formula for having power as the result of acquiring knowledge is:

## Knowledge + Planning + Action x Determination and Commitment = Power

Just having knowledge or the qualification is simply not enough. There are very many people with no higher education, who are doing much better and are more influential than those with degrees from top of the chart institutions.

So, in my view, knowledge becomes power only, when it is directed to a 'target' – a target which is proper defined by an action plan, which is enforced by determination and full commitment. If one incorporates knowledge to a well-designed plan, and acts upon it with determination, they can literally bring change and influence the world around them for better.

Also remember that, to realize dreams, we need that power. A written down dream with a date and deadline becomes a goal, then when you break down your goal into steps, it becomes a plan, and then when you back your plan with action and commitment, your dream becomes a reality.