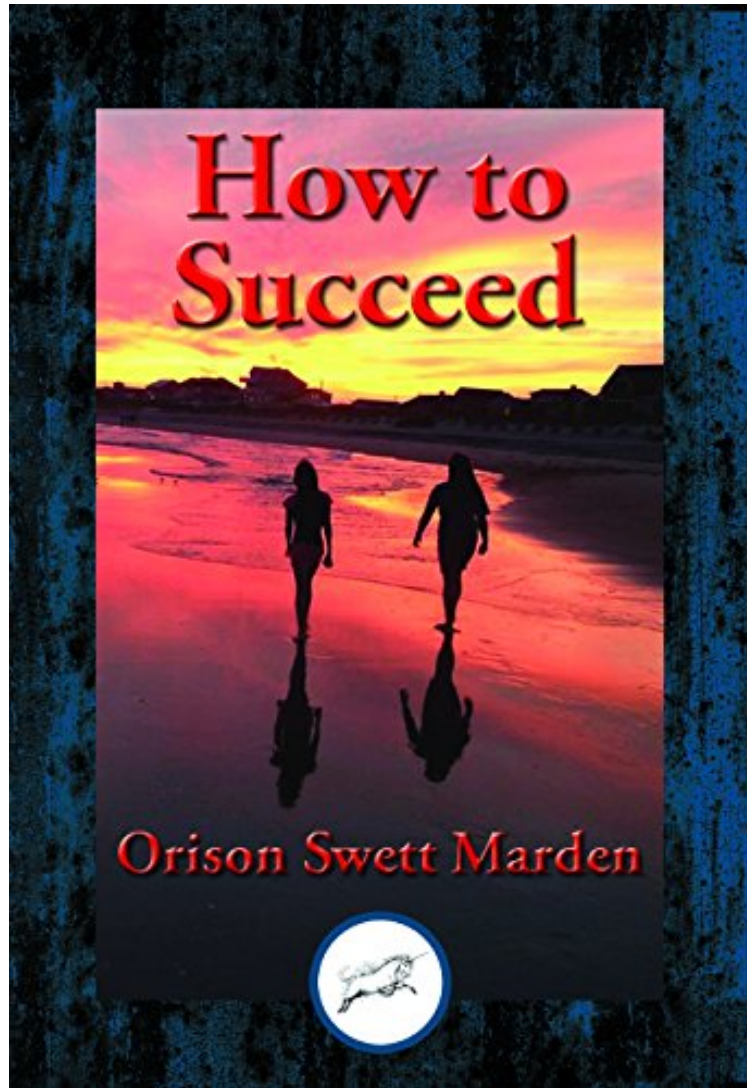


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**Orison Swett Marden : How to Succeed: Or, Stepping-Stones to Fame and Fortune** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised How to Succeed: Or, Stepping-Stones to Fame and Fortune:

13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. The collection of quotes it contains is remarkable By Ali Julia "How to Succeed" was written in 1896. The book aims to provide inspiration that would help a person to succeed in life. Each chapter starts with quotes from various famous people making a point relevant to the topic of the chapter. I really enjoyed the quotes. These quotes are probably the best part of this book. The book does not reveal any big secrets about how to succeed, rather it provides inspiration for being successful. It suggests not to lose your individuality, be able to stand up for your convictions, to find a way to improve on methods people use and finding

that something special that is in demand will propel you to making a fortune. Some of the language in the book is rather sexist, for example here is a paragraph from "Seize Your Opportunity": "Of thousands of young women trying to get a living at typewriting, many are so ignorant, so deficient in the common rudiments even, that they spell badly, use bad grammar, and know scarcely anything of punctuation. In fact, they murder the English language. They can copy, "parrot like," and that is about all." When you read old books you notice how the society changed. It makes you feel good that something like that is not likely to be accepted if it was written today.

Table of content: Be a Man, Seize Your Opportunity, How Did He Begin? Out of Place, What Shall I Do? Will You Pay the Price? Foundation Stones, The Conquest of Obstacles, Dead in Earnest, To Be Great, Concentrate At Once, Thoroughness, Trifles, Courage, Will Power, Guard Your Weak Point, Stick Save Live Upward, Sand Above Rubies, Moral Sunshine, Hold Up Your Head, Books and Success, Riches Without Wings.

Overall, it was a quick and easy read. The collection of quotes it contains is remarkable! I think reading this book is worth your time!

Ali Julia review  
0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Popular Legends By Stella Carrier

"How To Succeed: Or Stepping Stones To Fame and Fortune" by Orison Swett Marden is a stirring book that highlights the message of triumph through the inclusion of various stories. For instance, on page 99, Marden gives the implied message that one can often achieve their dreams regardless of age through the story examples he shares.

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Very interesting read. Glad I found it. ~MZ~

In 'How to Succeed; or Stepping Stones to Fame and Fortune' Orison Swett Marden gives hard, honest advice on how to succeed, starting with "First Be a Man": that is, stand up to your responsibilities and don't expect to succeed without hard work and determination. Follow the advice and examples in this book and you will succeed in whatever it is you may chose to do.

About the Author  
Dr. Orison Swett Marden (1848–1924) was born in Thornton Gore, New Hampshire to Lewis and Martha Marden. He was an American inspirational author who wrote about achieving success in life and founded SUCCESS magazine in 1897. His writings discuss common-sense principles and virtues that make for a well-rounded, successful life. Many of his ideas are based on New Thought philosophy. During his early to mid-teens, Marden discovered a book entitled Self-Help by Scottish author Samuel Smiles in an attic. And so, Marden was profoundly influenced and inspired by Samuel Smiles. Smiles book Self-Help was instrumental in elevating and triggering Marden's career and life. Marden was successful at everything he undertook or started because of his deep and vast knowledge about success and how to put it into use in his own life. Marden's young manhood was marked by remarkable energy and unbroken achievement. By his early thirties, he had earned his academic degrees in science, arts, medicine and law. During his college years he supported himself by working in a hotel and afterward by becoming the owner of several hotels and a resort. Founded in 1897, Marden's Success magazine eventually grew to a circulation of about half a million subscribers. The publication had its own building and printing plant in New York and was backed by a workforce of two hundred or more employees.