

Habits of Mind

Persistence



What does it mean?

It is when you keep trying even when you find something difficult:

- Persevering in task through to completion; remaining focused.
- Looking for ways to reach your goal when stuck.
- Not giving up.

When should you use it?

Every time you need to know more about a topic. Whenever you face a problem and need to find a solution. When you are presented with new ideas and need to understand them. When you want to exercise your mind.

Songs about Persistence

Don't stop Believing – Glee

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iiFKju-2UDc&safe=active>

The Script – Hall of Fame

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UJ9BvW-j-ug&safe=active>

The Climb – Miley Cyrus

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qotUC13bwMc>

Something inside so Strong – Labi Siffre

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PcKoYGNjOBU>

Reach – S Club 7

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D6raJluIg4O&safe=active>

Picture books that involve Persistence

Fables:

The tortoise and the Hare: <https://www.storyarts.org/library/aesops/stories/tortoise.html>

Other stories:

Traditional tales e.g. Three Little Pigs

We're going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kl36gMrHJaI&safe=active>

Bible Stories:

Matthew 4:1-11 NIV - Jesus Is Tested in the Wilderness