



# TESTING LIKE A KID

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A photograph of a man in a blue shirt standing at a drive-thru window. He is holding a brown paper bag and a white cup. The window has a sign that says "The Drive-Thru is Not Always Faster". Above the man, the text "MIKE W LYLES" is visible. To the right of the photo is a yellow text box with a list of bullet points. Above the photo, the title "ABOUT ME - @MIKELYLES" is written in white on a dark background. A small number "2" is in the top right corner of the slide.

## ABOUT ME - @MIKELYLES

- Director of QA & PM with over 25 years in IT:
- Development
  - Project Management Office
  - Development Manager
  - Testing
    - Functional Testing
    - Performance Testing
    - Automation in Testing
    - Test Environments
    - SCM, Test Data Management
    - Service Virtualization
    - Building New Test Teams
    - Processes, Methodologies, Measurement
  - Releasing a Motivational Book in 2018 (or 2019....)

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## WHAT WILL WE DISCUSS?

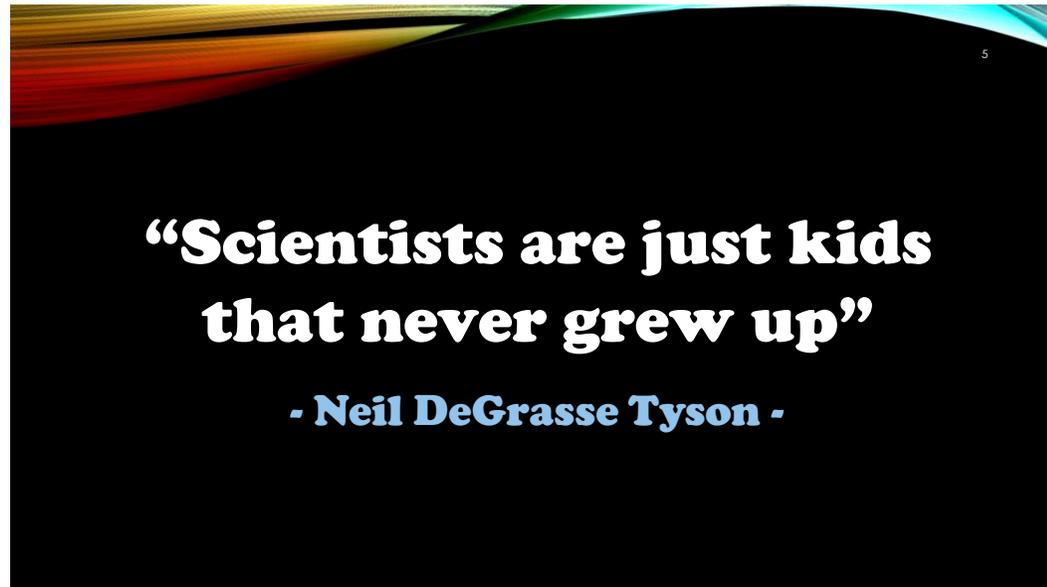
- Review the differences in how children and adults think
- Suggestions to help you free your mind from years of preconceptions which can limit your ability to be a great thinking tester

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Grow  
Up!



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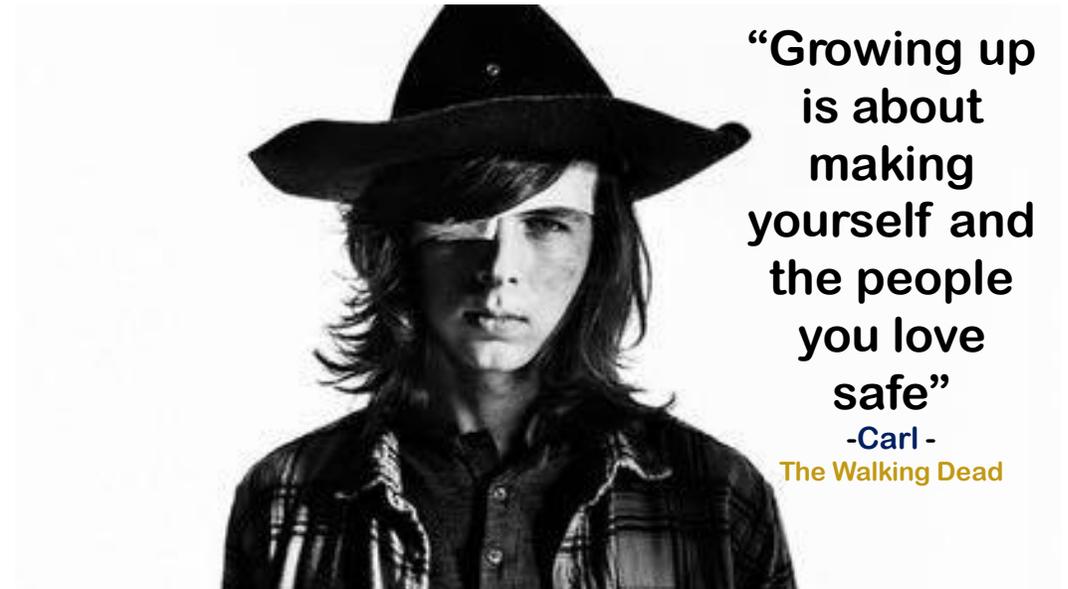
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Every child is an artist. The problem is staying an artist when we grow up.

- Picasso -

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“Growing up is about making yourself and the people you love safe”

-Carl-  
The Walking Dead

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## Kids with a Stapler

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**“Don’t settle with only  
what you KNOW about the  
product”**

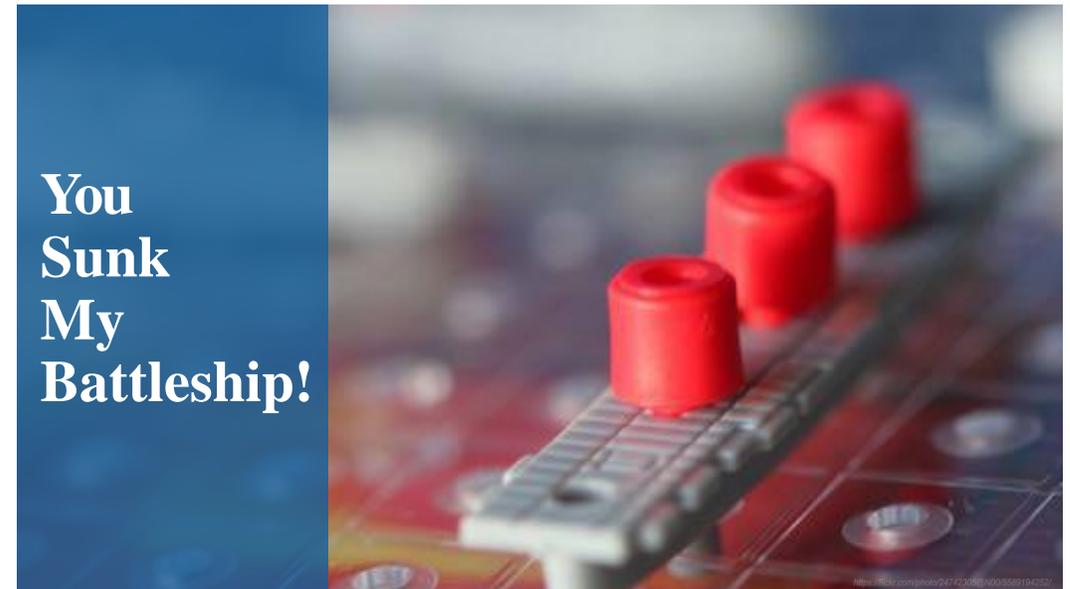
**- Mike Lyles -**

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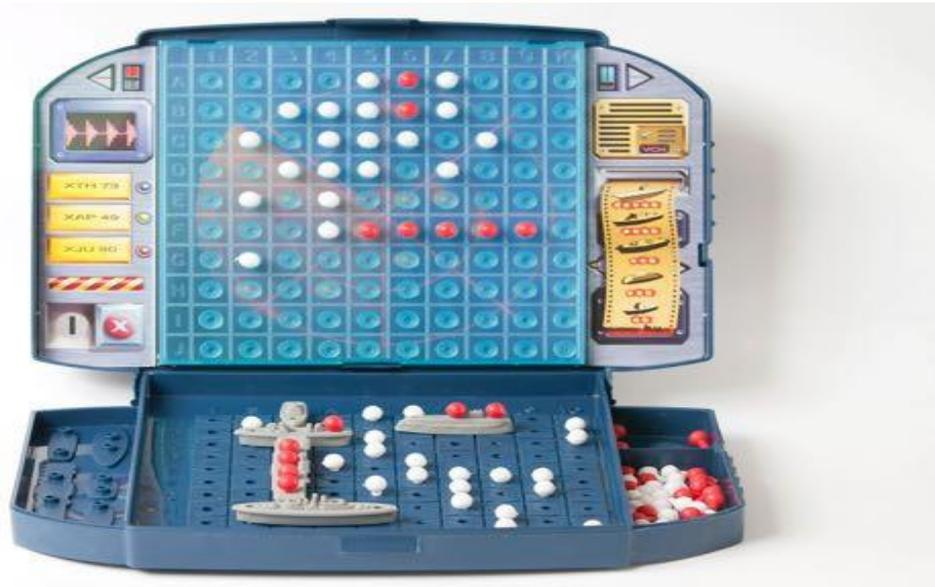
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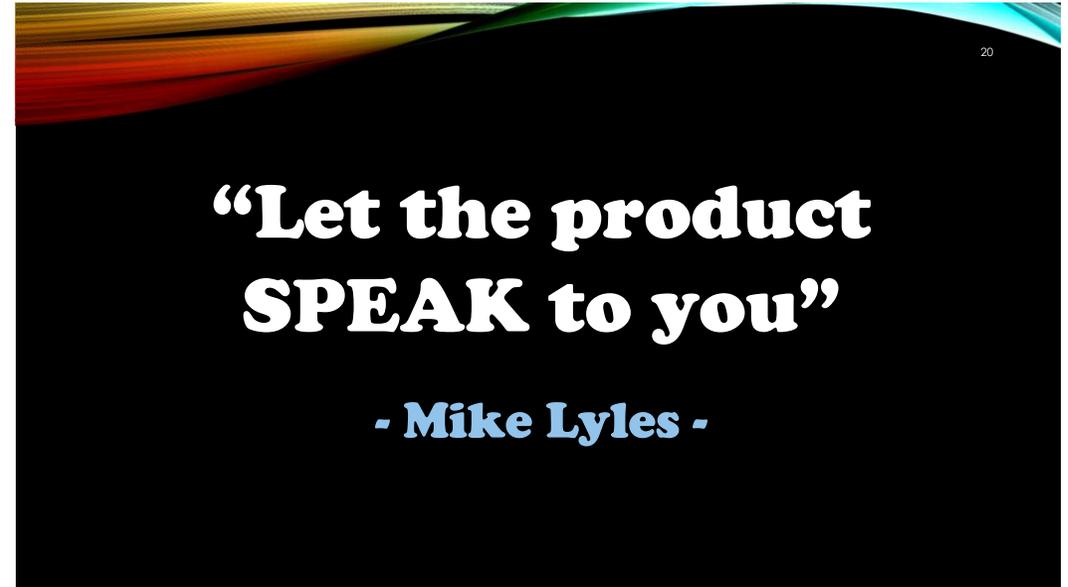
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## WHAT WOULD YOU TEST FIRST?

- There are many things to test
- **But, did you consider everything?**
  - Is there a service connected to the TV?
  - Are there batteries in the controller?
  - Is the TV plugged in to power?
  - Is this the controller for THIS specific TV?

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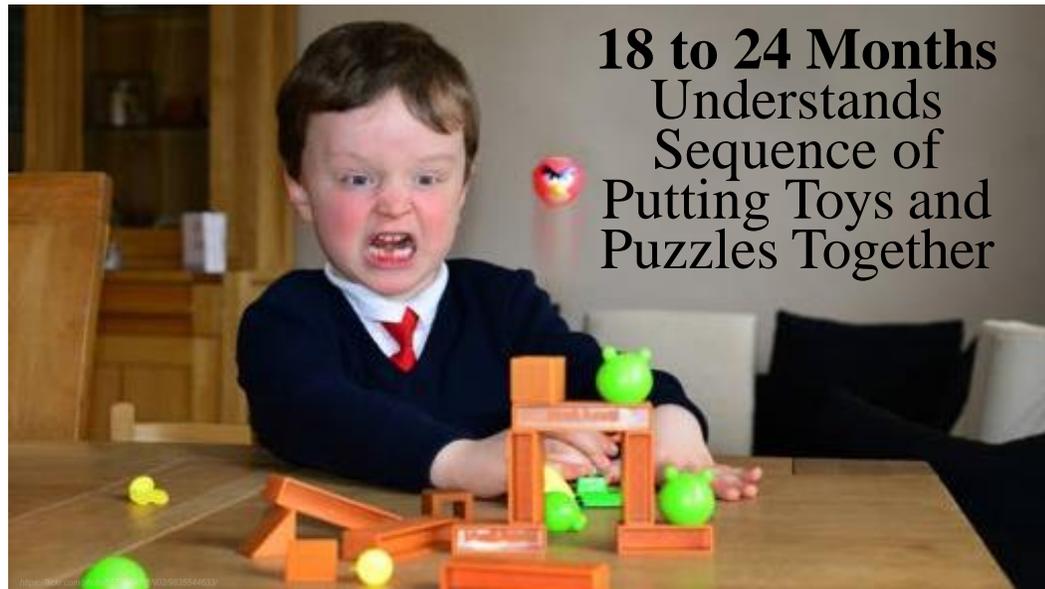
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## NEVER ASSUME!



WHAT????

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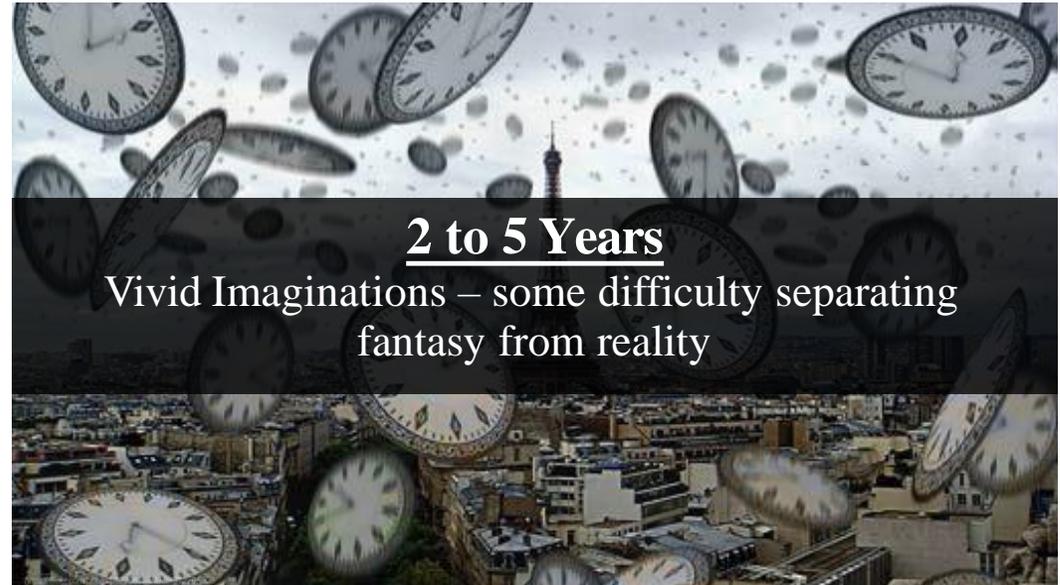
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**“Things change sometimes.  
Be nimble and prepared  
when it happens”**

**- Mike Lyles -**

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**2 to 5 Years**  
Vivid Imaginations – some difficulty separating  
fantasy from reality

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9 to 12 Years: Can Accurately Recognize & Consider Others' Viewpoints

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## NEW YORK CITY

- Statue of Liberty
- Location
- ConTEST NYC
- TestMastersAcademy
- Empire State Building
- Central Park
- Conference
- Giants
- Yankees
- Mets

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## TESTING

- Development
- Software
- Quality
- Verification / Verify
- Validation / Validate
- Defects
- Bugs
- Metrics
- Automation
- Performance

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## AUTOMATION

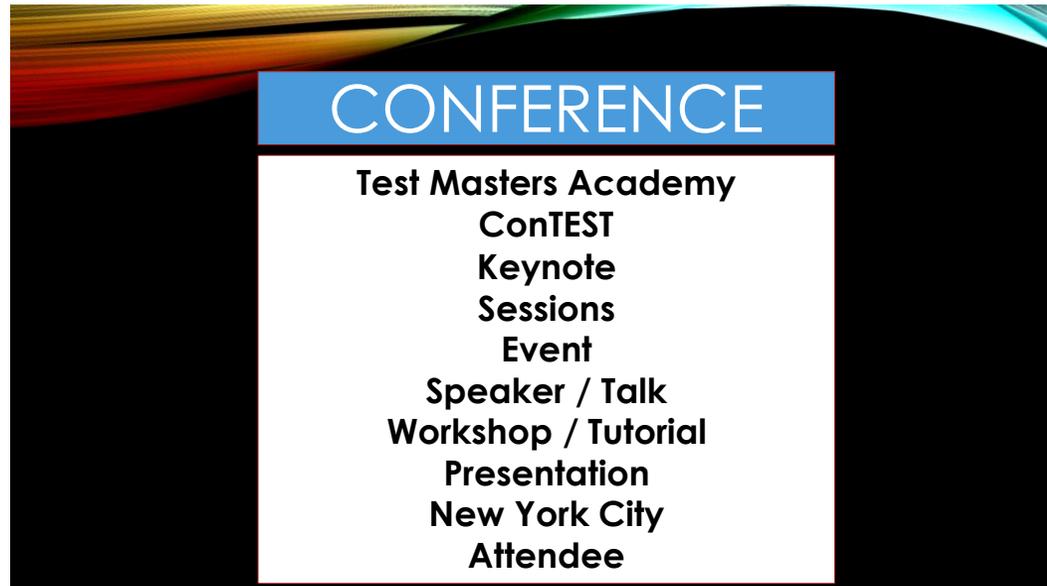
Tools  
Code  
Machine  
Checking  
Regression  
Selenium  
Develop / Developer  
CI / CD  
Open Source

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## QUALITY

Value  
Testing  
Requirements  
Verification / Verify  
Validation / Validate  
Defects / Bugs  
Best  
Better  
Good

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CONFERENCE

- Test Masters Academy
- ConTEST
- Keynote
- Sessions
- Event
- Speaker / Talk
- Workshop / Tutorial
- Presentation
- New York City
- Attendee

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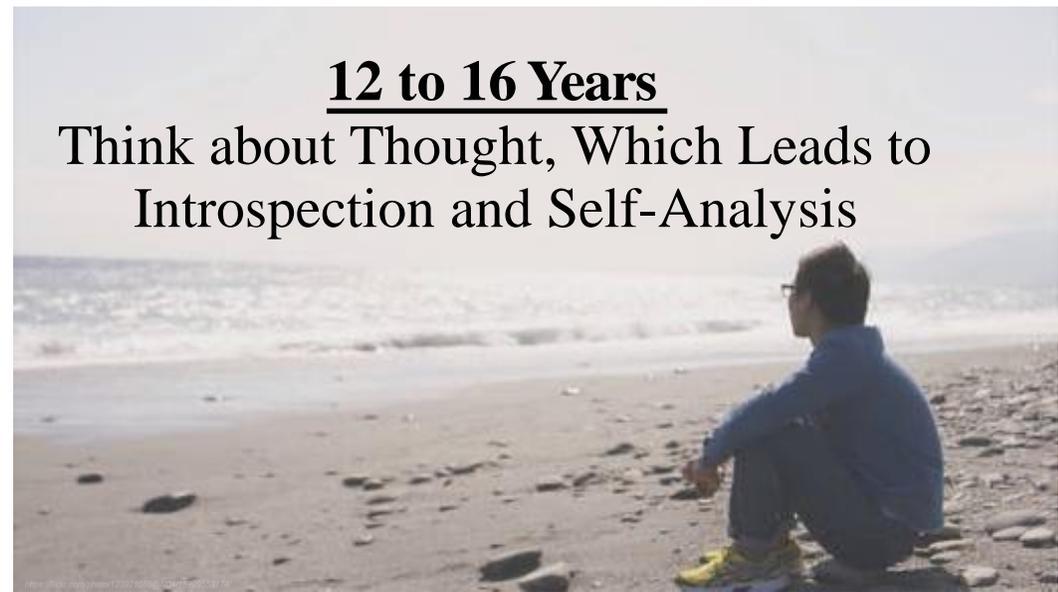
**“There will be times when  
you will have to modify  
your communication to  
help others understand”**

**- Mike Lyles -**

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**12 to 16 Years**

Think about Thought, Which Leads to Introspection and Self-Analysis



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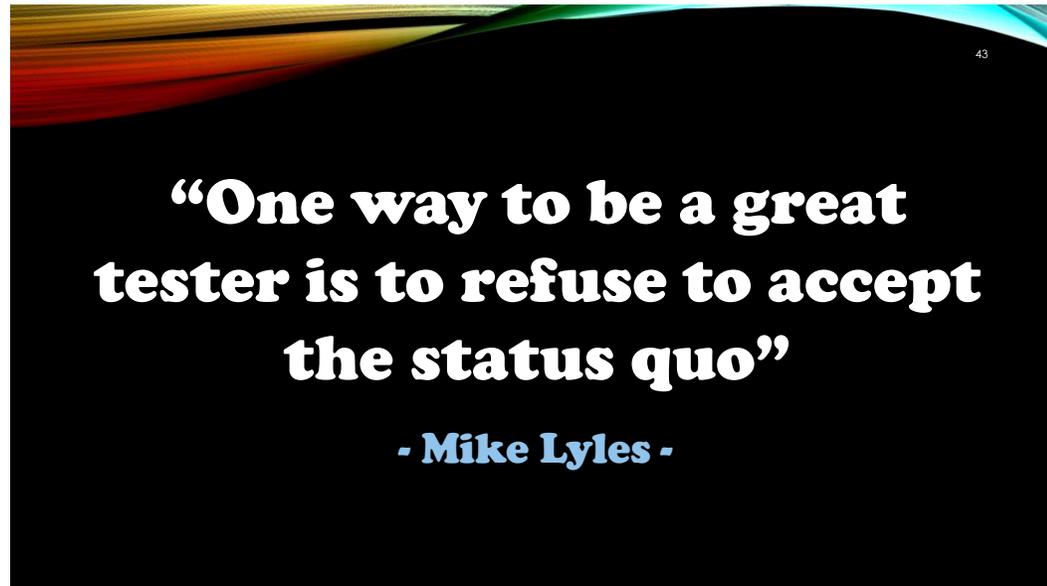
**SOME PEOPLE FEEL A NEED TO FIT IN**



**BUT NOT JOHN. JOHN DOESN'T GIVE A BE LIKE JOHN**

*FB/Taste My Metal World*

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**“To acquire knowledge, one must study, but to acquire wisdom, one must observe”**

**- Marilyn Vos Savant -**

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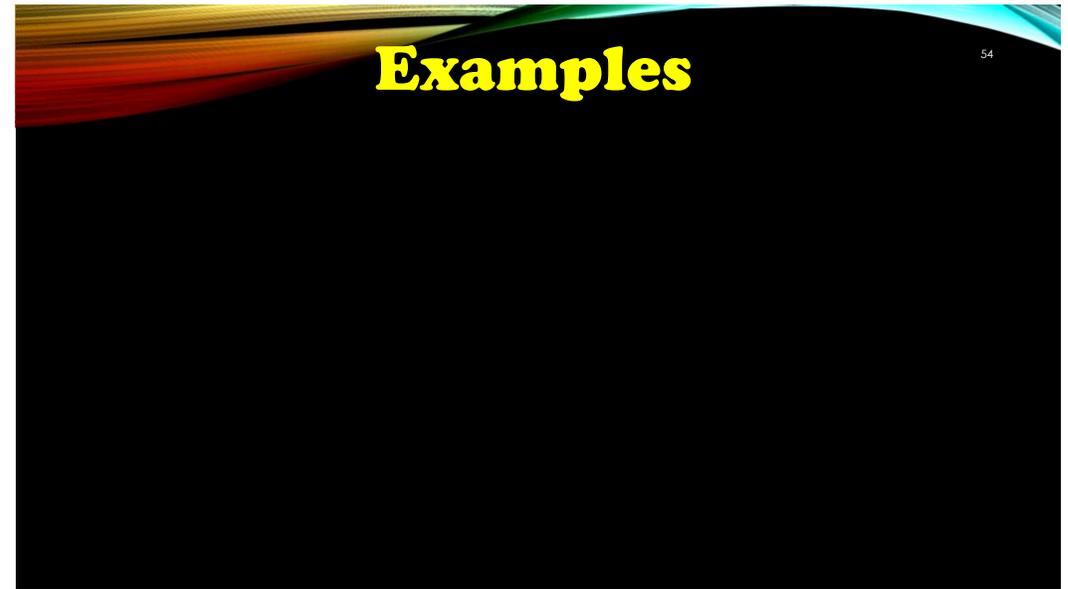
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**EVERYONE HAS A PART OF THE BIG PICTURE**



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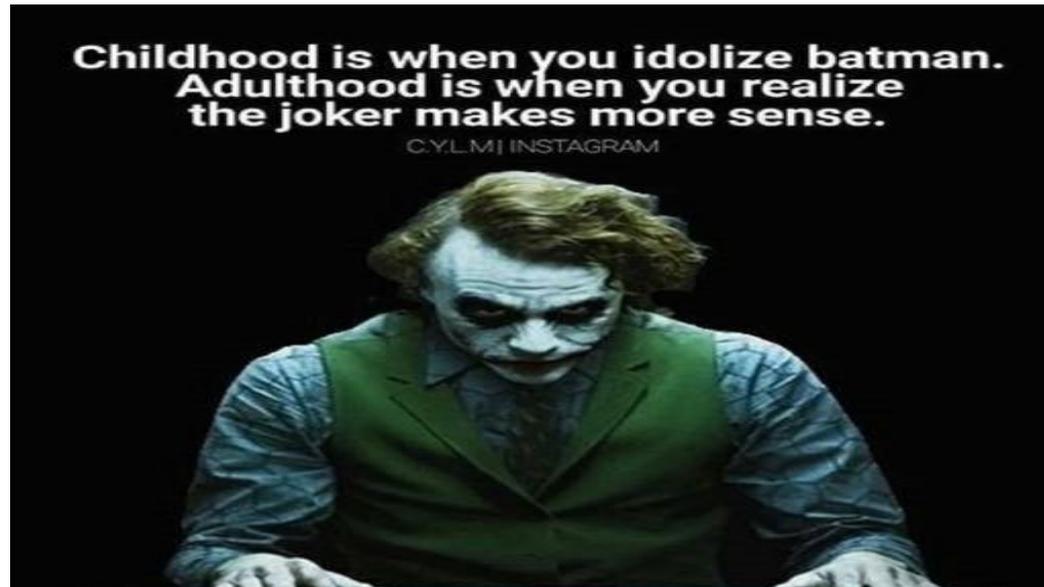


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### FOCUS ON THE BIG PICTURE



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