# *The Last Lecture* Summer Reading English 12 and English 12 Honors

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Randy's life is our life too; we never know what the next day will bring, nor do we know how our time will play out or how long it will last. **You will need this text for school, so bring a copy back with you from summer vacation**. As you read each chapter, *write in one complete sentence the lesson you took from reading that particular chapter*. Do not quote a line from the book. Put the lesson in your own words. The document can be typed or completed in pen – no pencil! Make sure you indicate the chapter number in front of each lesson you write.

### PART I: THE LAST LECTURE

- 1. AN INJURED LION STILL WANTS TO ROAR
- 2. MY LIFE IN A LAPTOP
- 3. THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM

## PART II REALLY ACHIEVING YOUR CHILDHOOD DREAMS

- 4. THE PARENT LOTTERY
- 5. THE ELEVATOR IN THE RANCH HOUSE
- 6. GETTING TO ZERO G
- 7. I NEVER MADE IT TO THE NFL
- 8. YOU'LL FIND ME UNDER "V"
- 9. A SKILL SET CALLED LEADERSHIP
- 10. WINNING BIG
- 11. THE HAPPIEST PLACE ON EARTH

#### PART III: ADVENTURES...AND LESSONS LEARNED

- 12. THE PARK IS OPEN UNTIL 8 P.M.
- 13. THE MAN IN THE CONVERTIBLE
- 14. THE DUTCH UNCLE
- 15. POURING SODA IN THE BACKSEAT
- 16. ROMANCING THE BRICK WALL
- 17. NOT ALL FAIRY TALES END SMOOTHLY
- 18. LUCY, I'M HOME
- 19. A NEW YEAR'S STORY
- 20. IN FIFTY YEARS IT NEVER CAME UP

- 21. JAI
- 22. THE TRUTH CAN SET YOU FREE
- 23. I'M ON MY HONEYMOON, BUT IF YOU NEED ME...
- 24. A RECOVERING JERK
- 25. TRAINING A JEDI
- 26. THEY JUST BLEW ME AWAY
- 27. THE PROMISED LAND

#### PART IV: IT'S ABOUT HOW TO LIVE YOUR LIFE

- 28. DREAM BIG
- 29. EARNEST IS BETTER THAN HIP
- 30. RAISING THE WHITE FLAG
- 31. LET'S MAKE A DEAL
- 32. DON'T COMPLAIN, JUST WORK HARDER
- 33. TREAT THE DISEASE, NOT THE SYMPTOM
- 34. DON'T OBSESS OVER WHAT PEOPLE THINK
- 35. START BY SITTING TOGETHER
- 36. LOOK FOR THE BEST IN EVERYBODY
- 37. WATCH WHAT THEY DO, NOT WHAT THEY SAY
- 38. IF AT FIRST YOU DPN'T SUCCEED
- **39**. **BE THE FIRST PENGUIN**
- 40. GET PEOPLE'S ATTENTION
- 41. THE LOST ART OF THANK-YOU NOTES
- 42. LOYALTY IS A TWO-WAY STREET
- 43. THE FRIDAY NIGHT SOLUTION
- 44. SHOW GRATITUDE
- 45. SEND OUT THIN MINTS
- 46. ALL YOU HAVE IS WHAT YOU BRING WITH YOU
- 47. A BAD APOLOGY IS WORSE THAN NO APOLOGY
- 48. TELL THE TRUTH
- 49. GET IN TOUCH WITH YOUR CRAYON BOX

- 50. THE \$100,000 SALT AND PEPPER SHAKER
- 51. NO JOB IS BENEATH YOU
- 52. KNOW WHERE YOU ARE
- 53. NEVER GIVE UP
- 54. BE A COMMUNITARIAN
- 55. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS ASK
- 56. MAKE A DECISION: TIGGER OR EYEORE
- 57. A WAY TO UNDERSTAND OPTIMISM
- 58. THE INPUT OF OTHERS

#### PART V FINAL REMARKS

- 59. DREAMS FOR MY CHILDREN
- 60. JAI AND ME
- 61. THE DREAMS WILL COME TO YOU